

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY WARFIGHTER REFRACTIVE EYE SURGERY PROGRAM WOMACK ARMY MEDICAL CENTER FORT BRAGG, NORTH CAROLINA 28310

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Refractive Eye Surgery Application

I, _____, ____, have reviewed the information

available at www.wamc.amedd.army.mil/SitePages/WRESP.aspx for the Warfighter Refractive Eye Surgery Program at Womack Army Medical Center and request to be evaluated for refractive surgery to reduce my dependency on glasses.

I understand that I am only eligible for refractive surgery if I have at least six months of active duty service obligation (ADSO) remaining from the actual date of my surgery. Furthermore, I acknowledge that I will become ineligible for refractive surgery during the final six months of ADSO regardless of the presence of a signed command endorsement letter and/or a completed preoperative evaluation.

I understand that wearing contact lenses interferes with the preparation and performance of refractive eye surgery. I am aware that *soft* contact lenses must be removed for **2 WEEKS** prior to any preoperative or surgery appointments. Rigid Gas Permeable (*hard*) contact lenses must be removed for **1 MONTH** prior to any preoperative or surgery appointment. I have been informed that I must remove my contact lenses, if applicable, prior to requesting a preoperative appointment for me, therefore, as of _______, I have removed my contact lenses and agree not to wear them again.

Hormonal changes associated with pregnancy and breastfeeding may effect results obtained during the preoperative evaluation which could negatively impact the success of refractive surgery. To my knowledge, I am not pregnant and have not been breastfeeding within the last 6 months.

I understand that I am required to have a driver on the date of my surgery and all postoperative/ follow up appointments until the doctor has cleared me to drive. If I choose to call my driver after my surgery is completed, I understand I will not be permitted to leave the clinic until my driver arrives. In the event of a schedule conflict, or if I cannot attend my appointment, it is my responsibility to notify the Refractive Eye Clinic prior to the appointment time.

I understand that it is my responsibility to keep all follow-up appointments scheduled with the Refractive Eye Clinic. I am aware that the typical follow-up period after LASIK is one month and three months for PRK and ICL. Follow-up period may be longer based an individual's healing.

My signature acknowledges that I will comply with all rules set forth by the Refractive Eye Clinic. Failure to comply may result in my being deemed ineligible for refractive eye surgery and possible punishment under the Uniformed Code of Justice (UCMJ).

> Patient Signature: Phone number: Email Address:

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MEMORANDUM FOR Commander Womack Army Medical Center ATTN: Warfighter Refractive Eye Surgery Clinic, Fort Bragg, NC 28310

SUBJECT: Commander's Endorsement of Refractive Eye Surgery

1. I endorse to be evaluated and considered for enrollment in the Refractive Eye Surgery Program. The service member listed above, as of date of this endorsement, has at least six months retainability in service.

a) Scheduled ETS/retirement date is _____

b) Date of Deployment is _____

2. I acknowledge that, following surgery, the service member listed above must keep all follow-up appointments.

3. I acknowledge that the service member listed above will have profile for 30 days, with the following limitations:

- a) No Airborne operations
- b) No swimming
- c) No night operations

4. I acknowledge that the service member listed above cannot be deployed for 30 days for LASIK and 90 days for PRKw/MMC, after surgery.

5. This endorsement expires 180 days from date of memorandum.

6. The point of contact for this action is the undersigned at or