## **ROUTINE EYE CARE RECOMMENDATIONS**



#### FACE AND EYELID HYGIENE Dove 🚨 **GENERAL FACE WASH GENERAL EYELID CLEANSER** Ocusoft Original foam Ocusoft Original Foam \$18 (lasts ~6 mts) Simple wipes Pump onto fingers, washcloth, or cotton pad Dove Sensitive bar soap Wash lids/lashes (& face optional), rinse off P Clinique bar soap CONVENIENT NO RINSE EYE CARE **OIL REDUCING HAIR & FACE WASH** Anti-allergy, antibacterial, oil reducing Seborrhea, Dandruff, Acne, Rosacea, Blepharitis, Styes ≻ Use a fresh wipe (one side per eye) or pump foam Excess oils, fungus, & bacteria cause chronic skin conditions onto clean fingers or moist cotton pad/q-tip Use Anti-fungal, Anti-inflammatory, & Oil reducing cleansers Clean upper & lower lid margins & lashes - leave on WASH HAIR Dandruff or Tea Tree Shampoo RECOMMENDED NO RINSE CLEANSERS $\checkmark$ WASH FACE & EYEBROWS Ocusoft Plus foam/wipes Clinique Vanicream Z-bar VANICREAM Oasis Lid & Lash Tea Tree wipes CLINIQUE Acne Bar Zinc pyrithione Ocusoft Allergy Tea Tree wipes Salicylic Acid (Available on Amazon) Oust Tea Tree foam/wipes EXTRA STRENGTH EYELID HYGIENE No Rinse cleanser Ocusoft Baby (large, soft) wipes EYE MAKEUP REMOVER (OIL FREE) **AVOID THE FOLLOWING NEAR THE EYES:** ∢ Zoria, Oasis, Ocusoft, Simple Wipes R Sensitive skin oil-free eye makeup removers → Oily based-clog & damage eyelid glands & leave a residue 0 Avoid liquids that separate like oil ⊳ → Alcohol- strips the natural oils Use Non-Waterproof Mascara for sensitive eyes Parabens, Benzenes, Phthalates- disrupts hormones → Fragrances & Synthetic colors "FD&C or D&C" → Sodium lauryl (laureth) sulfate (SLS)- foaming agent → Propylene glycol- conditioning agent → **INSTRUCTIONS FOR EXTRA-STRENGTH HYGIENE** These are skin & eye irritants, allergens, & may be carcinogenic WASH FACE daily with preferred face wash PARABEN FREE, SULFATE FREE, OIL FREE, FREE OF FRAGRANCE/DYES $\geq$ ALLERGY & DRY EYES wash face & eyelids NIGHTLY X Æ (\* to remove allergens & irritants o Ocusoft Plus, Allergy, or Oasis Lid & Lash Repeat in the morning if needed 0 INSTRUCTIONS FOR ROUTINE HYGIENE **CONTACT LENS WEARERS** remove contacts nightly WASH FACE daily with preferred cleanser $\geq$ Eyelid hygiene reduces risk of infection/irritation 0 (avoid eye area if not approved for eyes) Avoid any oily based products near eyes 0 EYE MAKEUP remove every night with oil free cleanser $\geq$ SKIN CONDITIONS (Acne, Rosacea, Seborrhea, Blepharitis) • WASH FACE - Zinc, Salicylic Acid, or Tea Tree DAILY EYELID HYGIENE cleanse lids/lashes daily $\geq$ **EYELID SCRUBS** with extra strength formulas Ocusoft Original foam, Dove or Clinique bar soap 0 0 Ocusoft Plus, Allergy, Oust, or Hypochlor 0

- Comparable cleanser (verify it is free of irritants)
- Optional "No Rinse" cleansers  $\cap$

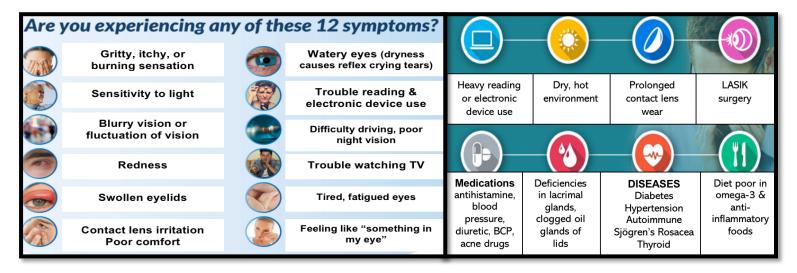
- REPEAT 2 x a day if needed, No Rinse  $\geq$

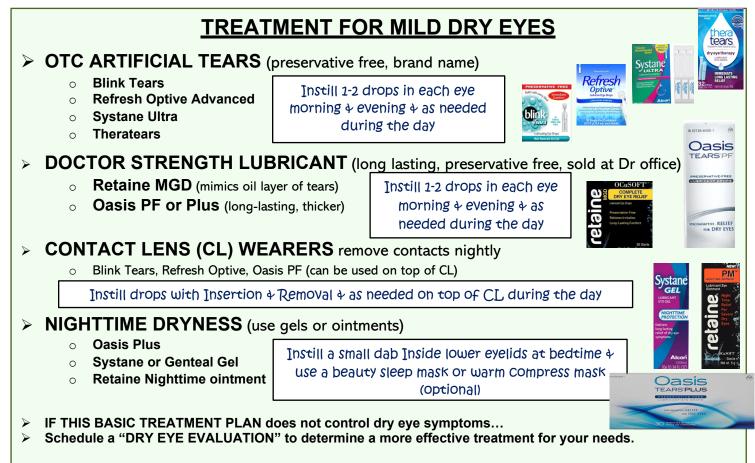


### **RECOMMENDED EYE DROPS** (Mild, occasional dry eyes)



Dry eyes can have varying symptoms and often can be confused with allergies. Anyone can suffer occasional dryness.





### COSMETICS NEAR THE EYES LESS IS MORE!

#### MOISTURIZERS & COSMETICS- Keep moisturizers & oily based cosmetics 1 finger width away from lashes

**EYE MAKEUP**- Red, irritated eyes are a sign of sensitivity Try sensitive/natural eye makeup, Decrease amount of makeup used Wear eye makeup less often or discontinue completely if symptoms persist

- MASCARA Eg: Clinique Lash Power, Neutrogena Healthy, Zoria Sensitive, Sephora Tarte Amazonian Clay
  - DO- Apply mascara to upper lashes only & avoid the roots
  - DON'T- Use fiber mascara, waterproof mascara 0
  - DON'T- Use fake eyelashes, eyelash extensions 0
    - → RISK OF ALLERGY TO GLUE
    - ➔ RISK OF INFECTION



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CAUTION- Eyelash dyes may be beneficial, but risk of reaction to chemicals used

#### EYELINER

- DO- Apply on the outer portion of lid margins (skin) 0
- DON'T- Apply on the "water line" or inside of Lash margins 0
- CAUTION- Permanent eyeliner may damage oil glands Ask Dr. Mayes first & find an experienced practitioner CAUTION- risk of severe reaction, worsening of dry eyes, infection

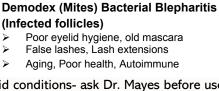
#### EYE SHADOW

- DO- Use cream or stick shadows to minimize dust in eyes 0
- DON'T- Use glitter or powder shadows 0
- EYE MAKEUP REMOVERS Mascara & eye liner traps oils, allergens, & bacteria during the day
  - DO- Use Oil free cleansers to remove eye makeup thoroughly every night 0
  - DON'T- Use oily based eve makeup removers or liquids that separate like oil 0
  - DON'T- Sleep with eye makeup on 0
  - CAUTION- Micellar water is not officially approved for dry eye conditions 0

### SOFT CONTACT LENS (CL) WEARERS

- Remove CL every night (wash hands before handling)
- Wash eyelids (and remove eye makeup) with oil free cleansers & wear eye makeup conservatively
- If wearing DAILY disposables- throw away nightly
  - If wearing MONTHLY disposables- use brand name multipurpose solution (MPS)
    - Perform a gentle "rinse & rub" then place in case & fill with fresh MPS
    - o Dump solution every morning, never re-use MPS & never rinse case with water
    - o <u>REMINDER</u>: Tap water is not sterile, avoid exposing CL to water & never swim in CL (unless wearing dailies)
    - Replace case as often as your toothbrush (every 3 months & anytime you are sick) 0
    - Use Clear Care Hydrogen Peroxide disinfectant weekly (or more often) for extra cleaning 0
- Replace CL as instructed & do not wear CL when sick or if an eye infection is suspected
- Red, irritated eyes? Remove CL & use lubricating drops only (no VISINE)- if not improved in 1-2 days Contact our office \*\* CL related infections often do not cause discharge & matting, the eye may be red, slight burning, light sensitive
  - \*\* Any red, irritated eye that does not improve in 1-2 days needs to be evaluated













## LIFESTYLE TIPS TO REDUCE DRYNESS

#### **USE A HUMIDIFIER**

This adds moisture back in the air when a heater is running. Just be sure to clean it & watch for mold!

STAY HYDRATED So you can produce more tears

PROTECT EYES OUTSIDE UV, wind/dust, & harsh weather irritate the eyes. Wear wrap eye protection, sunglasses, & a hat/visor

WORK ON CPAP FIT A poor fitting CPAP blows air at the eyes. Get it **adjusted** &/or sleep with eye mask or **ointment** 

REDUCE BLUE LIGHT Blue light makes lights bright white. LED lights, bright room lights, & electronic devices increase blue light exposure & worsen dry eye symptoms. Wear blue blocker glasses, set devices on "*night setting*" & use a filter on the computer, choose warm lights & room light no brighter than the computer screen illumination. Minimize glare on the screen from lights & windows.



TIPS TO REDUCE DRY EYES



AVOID DIRECT AIR FLOW AT FACE Ceiling fan, oscillating fan, car vents, air flow at face will quickly dry the eyes out. Turn vents away from face & minimize air circulation. GET A GOOD NIGHT SLEEP Eyes need 6-8 hours of uninterrupted sleep to recover from a long day.

SLEEP WITH EYE PROTECTION Often the eyelids open slightly during certain stages of the sleep cycle. This causes irritation (especially when a fan is blowing). Use a sleep mask or gel drops.

#### REDUCE CONTACT LENS WEAR

Contact lenses exacerbate dry eyes. Some brands are designed to resist drying. The best plan is to **reduce wear time**, **wear glasses** more, use quality **rewetting drops**, & switch contact lens **solutions**.

#### TAKE "BLINK BREAKS"

When reading or using electronic devices, follow the "**20/20/20 RULE**"- for every *20 minutes of reading, take a 20 second break, look at something 20 feet away, & blink hard several times.* If needed, instill **lubricating drops**.

#### CONSIDER MEDICATION SIDE EFFECTS & HEALTH

<u>Diuretics</u>, <u>antihistamines</u>, <u>antidepressants</u>, <u>acne</u> medications cause worsening of dry eyes. Overall health has an impact on your eyes. Eat **healthy** (*fish, colorful vegetables*), take **supplements** (*Omega-3, vitamin A, C, D, E*) if deficient, exercise, manage allergies.

**EYELID SCRUBS:** Cleanse lids/lashes with Ocusoft Original Foam in the shower or Ocusoft Plus no rinse wipes or sensitive skin oil free bar soap) 1-2 X a day (morning and/or evening)

MOISTURIZE WITH TEARS: Use Refresh or Blink (in stores/OTC) or Oasis or Retaine (long lasting tears sold at our office) 2-4 x a day for dry irritated eyes

WARM COMPRESSES: Use a moist heat compress mask or warm, wet washcloth to apply warm compress to lids for 10-15 minutes 1-2 x a day to open pores in eyelids & soothe dry eyes

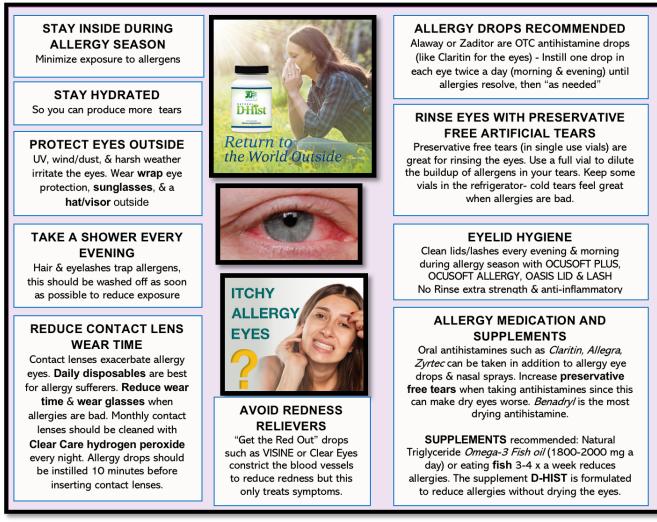
**MASSAGE:** Gentle eyelid massage (downward on upper lids, upward on lower lids) after warm compress to keep oil glands functioning to prevent tears from evaporating too quickly

**OTHER TREATMENTS:** Schedule a "*Dry Eye Evaluation*" with Dr. Mayes if symptoms do not improve so we can evaluate cause & severity of dry eye disease and determine best treatment plan.

SUPPLEMENTS: take FISH OIL, OCUVIEW, & D-HIST supplements to support tear film quality



## LIFESTYLE TIPS TO REDUCE ALLERGIES



**EYELID SCRUBS:** Cleanse lids/lashes every evening (Ocusoft Plus or Ocusoft Allergy or Oasis Lid & Lash recommended (No Rinse formula, removes allergens). \*\*Shower every evening to wash off allergens

**<u>RINSE EYES WITH TEARS</u>**: Use 1 full vial of **Refresh or Blink (PF Vials)** (in stores/OTC) to dilute allergens from your tears morning & evening or more if needed *(optional: refrigerate for extra cool relief)* 

<u>COOL COMPRESSES</u>: Use a sinus gel mask or dry eye compress (stored in freezer) to reduce swelling & relieve itchy, irritated eyes

ANTIHISTAMINE DROPS: Alaway or Zaditor (in stores/OTC) or Bepreve or Pataday (RX)

→ Instill 1 drop in each eye twice a day (morning & evening) until allergies improve, then <u>as needed</u>

ANTIHISTAMINE PILLS: Claritin, Allegra, Zyrtec (OTC) Take 1 pill daily for allergies

<u>SUPPLEMENTS</u>: take FISH OIL & D-HIST supplements to support immune system & allergies (See details on flyer for these supplements)

**PRESCRIPTION TREATMENTS**: Schedule an appointment with Dr. Lisa Mayes for an allergy evaluation

to determine a more aggressive treatment plan if symptoms worsen or do not improve.



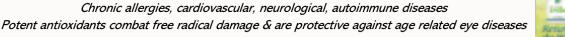
### **RECOMMENDED SUPPLEMENTS**

Available at our office at a reduced price to our patients



### D-HIST SUPPLEMENT (ALLERGY & IMMUNE SUPPORT)

Chronic allergies, cardiovascular, neurological, autoimmune diseases



BROMELAIN plant enzyme in pineapple 🍾

- Enhances absorption of Quercetin & Vitamin C
- Reduces allergy symptoms ("nature's antihistamine")

N-Acetyl Cysteine (NAC) an amino acid in protein

- Thins the mucus ("Nature's Mucinex") & reduces congestion from sinusitis, allergies, bronchitis, asthma, COPD
- $\triangleright$ Fights free radicals & age related damage to the eyes

STINGING NETTLE LEAF vitamins, minerals, amino acids, antioxidants

- Acts as a *decongestant & antihistamine* & reduces symptoms of  $\triangleright$ asthma, allergies, sinusitis, bronchitis, & COPD
- ≻ Helps fight Aging damage to the eyes

VITAMIN C water soluble & is rapidly excreted. Poor diet, medications, aging, stress, illness, or allergies can cause deficiency.

- Boosts the *immune* system & shortens duration &  $\geq$ severity of viruses & illness
- Reduces allergic response & inflammation
- $\triangleright$ Strengthens the cornea & improves tear quality which stabilizes vision

QUERCETIN - found in pigment of onions, apples, grapes

- Stabilizes mast cells & reduces allergies & inflammation  $\geq$
- Helps you fight off bacterial & viral infections  $\geq$
- Protects the ocular surface & improves tear quality  $\geq$
- $\succ$ Reduce risk of *heart disease*, lowers *blood pressure* (watch for BP to drop too low)

LOADING DOSE: Take 2 pills 2-3 x a day for 3-7 days to achieve therapeutic effect MAINTENANCE DOSE: Take 1-2 pills 1-2 x a day for maintenance & overall health support

**D-HIST** Allergy supplement sold at our office - \$40 for 120 count bottle OR \$15 for 10 pill dose pack

STARTER KIT: \$45 (bottle + dose pack) 100% satisfaction guaranteed

Take dose pack first & the unopened bottle can be returned for a full refund if desired results are not achieved

### **ORTHOMEGA FISH OIL**

Orthomega® (by Xymogen) Natural Triglyceride, fresh, pure, high quality, concentrated Greater EPA+DHA absorption rate than an equivalent dose of other leading fish oils.

### Benefits of quality fish oil

- ✓ Supports stable blood sugar, a natural blood thinner, lowers triglycerides
- ✓ Reduces inflammation, decreases joint pain
- ✓ Supports brain & mental function
- ✓ Improves the health of hair, skin, & nails
- Improves blood flow and circulation to the eyes & protects against vision loss
- ✓ Improves dry eye & ocular allergies by reducing inflammation and stabilizing the tear film

#### **ORTHOMEGA PURITY**

Orthomolecular ensures the entire process is efficient, temperature- controlled, using stringent verification processes to reduce any potential health risks that may otherwise result from the oil's exposure to rancid fats, toxins, bacteria, molds, yeasts.

In a recent study, only 24 out of 35 retail fish oil products passed quality testing for freshness & purity

Poor quality fish oil is not well absorbed, may have contaminants, & may be rancid.

Essential Fatty Acids- poor health is attributed to higher intake of Omega-6 (from bad fats & fried foods) than Omega-3 (from fish, Flaxseed, red palm & olive oil)

FISH OIL SUPPLEMENTATION: Some studies recommend 4000 mg of Omega-3 daily, but the ideal dose is around 1800-2000 mg a day for optimal health. Those who consume 3-4 servings of fish per week (salmon, trout, tuna) may need less.

DAILY MAINTENANCE- Take 1 pill a day (950 mg)

HEART, ALLERGY, EYE, & IMMUNE SUPPORT- Take 1-2 pills 1-2 x a day (1900-3600 mg)



## **OCUVIEW** (Eye Vitamin)



Developed by respected EYE DOCTORS - maximizes absorption of antioxidants to maintain healthy tear film, retina, lens, clear vision, night vision, dark/light adaptation, & slow aging degeneration

### VITAMIN C

(ascorbic acid) a powerful antioxidant

- Supports the health of the macula, optic nerve, cornea, & blood vessels in the eye
- Promotes corneal health & guality tear film by strengthening connective tissue/collagen
- > Nerve cells in the retina need to be 'bathed' in high doses of vitamin C, to function well
- Neuro-protective against nerve damage
- > Reduces risk of cardiovascular disease & stroke
- Has potent anti-cancer properties

### ZINC

antioxidant - fights free radicals

- > Helps the liver to get Vitamin A to the eyes which is crucial for healthy vision & tear film
- Supports the health of the macula
- Zinc deficiency has been linked to poor night vision & progression of cataracts
- > Ocuview's proprietary formula combines zinc with ALA to boost the effect & absorption
- > This form of zinc has the highest absorption rate & least GI side effects

### AREDS II Age Related Eye Disease Study # 2

This study set the gold standard for supplementation by proving Vitamins C, E, Zinc, Lutein & Zeaxanthin can slow progression of Age Related Macular Degeneration (AMD)

LAST (Lutein Antioxidant Supplement Trial)

Lutein & Zeaxanthin supplementation improves visual function in normal eyes & in patients with AMD

### **LUTEIN & ZEAXANTHIN**

carotenoid pigments

- $\blacktriangleright$  Has been shown to <u>improve</u> vision & dark/light adaptation in adults
- Studies show this slows progression of AMD

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A potent antioxidant

- > Key role in maintaining the health of the eye
- High daily intakes of vitamins C & E are associated with improved eye health
- Helps maintain healthy tear film & reduces inflammation on the ocular surface
- Can reduce risk of early AMD progressing

## Alpha-Lipoic Acid (ALA) The "Universal Antioxidant"

- > Unique ability to "recharge" antioxidants (Vitamin C & E, glutathione, CoQ10)
- > Studies show ALA increases tear production & reduces ocular surface inflammation
- > Combats free radicals to prevent damage to the lens, optic nerve, & retina
- > May slow the progression of cataracts
- Other benefits= Migraine prevention, neuroprotection, detoxification for liver, protective against heart disease & diabetes

CAUTION: If you take prescription meds, consult your physician first Add 1 new supplement per week, report any undesired effects Take as instructed (it may take 3-4 weeks for therapeutic effect)

PREVENTATIVE EYE & GENERAL HEALTH: Take 1 pill 1-2 x a day AMD, CATARACT, DRY EYE, or HISH RISK: Take 2 pills 2 x a day



### HEALTHY ANTI-INFLAMMATORY DIET







# AVAILABLE THROUGH OUR OFFICE AT A REDUCED PRICE TO OUR PATIENTS

### QUALITY EYE DROPS



## LID HYGIENE PRODUCTS







**nurture** Your eyes

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