

To our patients and associates,

As we all brace for the increased impact of Coronavirus, we want to assure you that your health and safety have always been our top priority and will remain so. We ask that our patients reschedule their appointments if feeling any flu-like symptoms (i.e., fever, cough, shortness of breath, etc.). Likewise, any Space Coast Ophthalmology staff members who have embarked on any high-risk travel or are experiencing these medical symptoms will be asked to stay out of our office for an appropriate amount of time, or until they have recovered. If an ocular emergency arises and you are feeling under the weather, we ask for you to inform us prior to arriving so that we can make appropriate accommodations and direct you to a patient room immediately upon your arrival.

Please find comfort in that we continue to maintain our strict practice of cleanliness and have even increased the number of times a day in which we are wiping down chairs, doorknobs, medical equipment and the like. As always, our doctors and staff are encouraged to wash hands with warm water and soap regularly and use hand sanitizers. Unfortunately, we are discouraging hand shaking or direct hand to hand contact during this time, to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19.

We encourage you to stay calm, wash your hands with care, stay home if you are experiencing flu-like symptoms, and visit the CDC's website for up-to-date information on how to keep your family and yourself safe. Meanwhile, SCO will continue to focus on keeping our patients healthy and providing the best vision care in town.

Sincerely,

Space Coast Ophthalmology physicians and staff