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## Safety Protocols during COVID-19

Dear Patient/Parent,

We have reopened the office for vision therapy and want to share our safety protocols with you. Our primary concern is your safety and the safety of our staff while helping you achieve your goals in vision therapy. Please see our COVID-19 safety plan below, and we look forward to working with you.

- We will adhere to all State of NJ and CDC protocols for medical office disinfection and staff PPE.
- All equipment used with patients will be disinfected after every use.
- All of our staff will wear masks and we will ask parents and patients to do the same. If you don't have one, we will provide it.
- We have upgraded our air filtration system and have added additional HEPA room air filters in both VT rooms.
- We will do a temperature screening with all patients before they come into the office, and we ask that if anyone is sick in your household and COVID-19 has not been ruled out, that you not come into the office. If you or a family member has been exposed to someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19, we also ask that you not come into the office.
- Our schedule will be spread out to minimize the number of patients in the office. We will ask you to wait outside or in your car until a staff member calls you or your child into the office. Siblings will also be asked to wait outside or in the car.
- We will try to do post-VT discussion over the phone or video chat if we want to demo a new home VT procedure.
- VT appointments will be on the hour with a 15-minute gap between appointments to minimize contact with other patients and for disinfection.
- We will use the side door into the VT rooms to make it easier to socially distance.
- We will also institute social distancing as much as possible in our vision therapy rooms, with a maximum of 2 patients in the larger room and 1 patient in the smaller room.
- We will implement remote payment so that you will minimize time and contact with our front desk staff. All receipts will be emailed to you.

Thank you for trusting us with your vision care. Please contact us with any questions or concerns. We will stay safe together.