

CATARACT SURGERY

- Please make sure you have **NOTHING BY MOUTH 4 HOURS PRIOR TO YOUR PROCEDURE TIME** with the exception of a sip of water with your medications.
For your safety failure to follow this protocol will result in a delay of your procedure!
- Eating or drinking past your allowed time may lead to aspiration pneumonia and a possible hospital stay.
- Follow the drop instructions provided by Dr. Durrett, if you have any questions about the drop schedule; please call Dr Durrett's office. 941-493-0311
- You will not be able to drive yourself home after your procedure due to the anesthesia. Please make arrangements for someone to drive you home.
- Please fill out your pre-anesthesia questionnaire on line or bring the completed hand written copy with you on the day of the procedure.
- Please take the heart, blood pressure, respiratory or seizure medications you would normally take on the day of your procedure.
- Please bring your reading glasses and insurance cards with you on the day of your procedure along with any co-pays that have been requested. Valuables should be left at home or with your support person.
- Please remember to bring your sunglasses.
- Wear a minimum of make-up and jewelry.
- Oxygen administered during the procedure can be very drying to the nasal membranes. The nasal membrane responds to this dryness by producing excess moisture. A runny nose is not uncommon after the procedure, and will subside once the moisture is restored.