

CATARACT REMOVAL

**Pre – Operative Orders:**

1. Pre Admission Testing: Follow anesthesia guidelines for testing  
Patient may remain on their blood thinners
2. Upon arrival: Prep the Operative eye with 1 gtt Proparacaine 0.5%
3. Draw up 0.25 mL in a syringe for EACH patient of the following mixture prepared in a STERILE cup: (Enough mixture for 11 patients)

- 1 dram (5 mL) of Xylocaine 2% Jelly
- 4 gtts 10% AK Dilate
- 4 gtts 0.5% Acular
- 4 gtts 1% Cyclogel
- 4 gtts 1% Tropicamide / Mydracyl
- 4 gtts 0.3 Zymar

If not ALLERGIC, instill approximately 0.25 mL into the inferior cul-de-sac, and have patient keep eye closed while the medication takes effect.

4. If eye is not dilating after 20 minutes, may instill AK Dilate 10% 1 gtt prior to the procedure.
5. May use eye gtts (see other side) if gel mixture is unavailable.

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**Intra-Operative Orders:**

1. Betadine 5% 1 gtt in cul-de- sac 3 minutes prior to incision.

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**Post- Operative Orders:**

1. Resume all usual medications, begin Post Op eye gtts as instructed
2. Acetaminophen (TYLENOL) 500 mg 2 tags PO for pain
3. Discharge per Anesthesia Protocol

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Physician Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date (required) \_\_\_\_\_ Time (required) \_\_\_\_\_

