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#### **Medications**

**1st** week after surgery: Use both Ofloxacin and Prednisolone drops 4 times a day (only in the eye that had surgery). Close your eye for a minute after putting in a drop and wait 5 minutes between the two medications. The Prednisolone drops should be shaken about 10 times before each use.

**2nd** week after surgery: Stop Ofloxacin, continue to use the Prednisolone drop 3 times a day.

**3rd** week after surgery: Use the Prednisolone drop twice a day. **4th** week after surgery: Use the Prednisolone drop once a day.

### Follow up

You should have a follow-up appointment with your doctor the day after cataract surgery and approximately 4 weeks after the surgery. You may wear your current prescription or reading glasses until that visit.

#### **Activities**

- 1. Tape the shield over the operated eye for 1 week.
- 2. Avoid strenuous activity or heavy lifting (over 20 lbs) for 1 week.
- 3. Avoid swimming for 2 weeks after surgery.
- 4. Avoid rubbing or pressing your operated eye.
- 5. You may resume driving within a day or two after surgery if you are comfortable with your vision, but please do not take unnecessary risks!

Things to watch out for - Eye infection after cataract surgery is a rare but serious problem. If you experience a significant decrease in vision, notice new floaters or flashes of light, or increasing pain and redness please call (646) 543-9474