

# LIONS LOW VISION CENTERS

of Fairfield & New Haven Counties, Inc.

Griffin Hospital Rehabilitation Services Department - (203) 732-7445



Enhancing quality of life

## Occupational Therapy and Low Vision

Persons with low vision have a visual impairment which is severe enough to limit their ability to complete many necessary daily living activities but which allows some usable vision. Individuals with low vision are not blind; however, they often have difficulty using their remaining vision efficiently and effectively enough to complete needed activities.



Occupational therapy enables the person with visual impairment to safely and independently complete the daily living tasks by:

- Teaching the person to use their remaining vision as efficiently as possible to complete activities;
- Modifying activities so that they can be completed with less vision; and
- Training the person in use of adaptive equipment to compensate for vision loss

Griffin Hospital's partnership with the International Lions Club allows us to offer adaptive devices to our clients free of charge. We are able to provide specific magnifiers prescribed by ophthalmologists and optometrists with their prescription for an Occupational Therapy Low Vision Evaluation.



**Lions Low Vision Center**

**at Griffin Hospital's Rehabilitation Services Department**

**350 Seymour Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Derby, CT 06418**

**CONTACT US FOR AN APPOINTMENT - (203) 732-7445**



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**Fax Transmission to: 203.732.7390**

This prescription form is to be filled out by an Eye Care Professional. It is then to be faxed to a Lions Low Vision Center or taken to the appointment. Appointments are made by calling (203) 732-7445, or the appropriate Lions Low Vision Center directly and must be scheduled within 30 days of the prescription date.

Please include the following items on **YOUR** prescription form:

1. Patient's Name
2. DOB
3. Primary Diagnosis
4. Secondary Diagnosis
5. Patient's Phone Number
6. Authorization for OT to distribute 3X thru 10X Stand or Handheld magnifiers as needed

**AFFIX YOUR PRESCRIPTION FORM HERE**

**PLEASE BE SURE TO USE THE IDC-10 CODES**

**Best Corrected Acuity:**  Near: Right(OD): \_\_\_\_\_ Left(OS): \_\_\_\_\_ Both(OU): \_\_\_\_\_

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**Scotoma:**  **Please Describe:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Services as Checked:**

- Occupational Therapy Evaluation & Treatment
- Skilled training in compensatory techniques to increase safety and independence in self-care, meal preparation, housekeeping and financial management.
- Skilled training in effective use of optical devices to compensate for low vision as needed for independent daily living.
- Skilled training in compensatory techniques to increase safety and independence in community activities.
- Educate patient/family on methods to increase safety and independence of patient in home/community.
- Other