Contact Lens and Vision stresses the importance of an annual eye exam

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Your eyes are always changing. That's why an annual eye exam is so important. Whether you need an updated prescription to achieve optimal vision or tests to catch an eye condition before it becomes serious, regular eye exams preserve a lifetime of vision.

See Your Optometrist At Least Once a Year To Preserve a Lifetime of Vision

The New Jersey eye doctors at Contact Lens and Vision have identified the

following reasons to get an annual eye exam:

Silent Eye Diseases

Most eye diseases progress "silently." Your annual eye exam can pick up early signs of potentially blinding eye conditions such as glaucoma, diabetic eye disease, cataracts or macular degeneration. The earlier a problem is detected, the greater the chance of successful treatment.

Early Health Alerts

Your eyes are often considered the window to your overall body health. By examining the blood vessels inside your eyes, your doctor can look for signs of high blood pressure, cardiovascular disease, prediabetes, diabetes and more. Signs for most of these diseases appear early in blood vessels before they appear in other parts of the body, which is why an eye exam can be an effective form of preventive care.

Learning Obstacles

An annual eye exam is especially important for children. Good eyesight is vital for their education. In fact, it has been estimated that as much as 80% of all the learning a child does occurs through his or her eyes. An eye exam can detect any vision problems that may be affecting school performance. It can also detect conditions such as "lazy eye" that should be treated during grade school or may unfortunately become irreversible.

Computer Eye Strain

Today, most people live on the Internet and work on computers. Focusing on a flat plane when your eyes are designed to focus in a three-dimensional world can negatively affect your eyes and eyesight. Staring at computer screens and mobile phones may cause a decrease in your blink rate, and in some cases, increase your nearsighted prescription. This can result in blurry vision and possibly dry-eye syndrome-causing fluctuating vision, foreign body sensation and tearing. Your New Jersey Optometrist can offer tips on how to reduce eyestrain during computer use.

Aging-Related Issues

If you're a senior citizen, you may think that failing eyesight is a normal part of aging. That doesn't have to be the case. Annual eye exams can help prevent or treat problems such as glaucoma, cataracts, diabetic eye disease and macular degeneration early, helping to prevent blindness and significantly improving overall quality of life.

Schedule an Annual Eye Exam Today!

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