



Ocular Surface Test (OST)

While all tests and services provided to our patients are approved by Health Canada, it's important to note that some tests are not covered by OHIP and are therefore uninsured.

Please be aware that declining any or all uninsured tests and services suggested by our care team will not affect the medical treatment you receive at North Toronto Eye Care.

Although these diagnostics and services may not be considered medically essential, the valuable images and data obtained from your eyes play a crucial role in tailoring your treatment plan.

All patients undergoing cataract assessments will receive an Ascan ultrasound of the eye, fully covered by OHIP.

The Ascan is crucial in cataract surgeries, as it helps our ophthalmologists determine the power of the intraocular lens (IOL) required for the procedure.

While not medically necessary, Ocular Surface Testing (OST) plays a significant role by providing information on the condition of your eyes, facilitating tailored recommendations for your cataract surgery. Each eye is unique, and every cataract surgery is personalized accordingly.

The OST assesses tear quality, tear production, and the resulting contour of your ocular surface. Customizing your cataract treatment plan with OST alongside the Ascan ensures optimal surgical outcomes, enhanced comfort both before and after surgery, and proven faster healing.

By affixing my signature below, I confirm my complete understanding that uninsured tests and services are discretionary and not included in OHIP coverage.

I understand that once the test has been conducted, it is non-refundable.

I acknowledge that all inquiries regarding the test were addressed to my satisfaction.

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Patient Name

Patient Signature

Date