INSTRUCTIONS

* Place on your letterhead.
* Make any changes to this sample letter needed to meet the needs of your patients.
* Send the letter via regular mail.
* Send a copy to the referring ophthalmologist or optometrist.
* Place a copy in the patient’s medical record.

Date

Dear [name of patient],

I am writing to you about the injection of OZURDEX you received in your (left/right) eye on (date). As you may recall, OZURDEX is a steroid that we elected to use to treat your (diagnosis).

Allergan, the company that makes OZURDEX, has recalled certain lots of the drug due to findings of particulate matter measuring 0.3millimeters (about half the size of the period at the end of this sentence) that may result in mild temporary visual disturbance or inflammation in the eye. There is also a remote possibility of reaction in the cornea. Allergan estimates that the overall risk of symptoms is low, given the infrequent OZURDEX dosing.

*For patients who received OZURDEX recently and have not been seen:*

**Please call our office to make an appointment.** I will check your eye(s) for any problems. We will then discuss if anything needs to be done for you.

*For patients treated with OZURDEX in the past and were determined to have had no reaction, you can add verbiage to the letter such as:*

Since you did not experience a reaction following the injection administered on (date), I do not consider you to be at risk. However, please call our office should you have any problems with your eyes.

Please call us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

[Name of ophthalmologist]

Cc [Name of referring ophthalmologist or optometrist]