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**Informed consent for subconjunctival injection**

Ophthalmologists (eye surgeons) treat some eye conditions by injecting medication under the conjunctiva. The conjunctiva is a thin, clear layer of tissue that covers the white part of the eye.

**Benefits (ways the injection may help).** The goal of the injection is to treat your eye condition and help you keep the vision you have now. The injection may not bring back vision you have already lost from your eye condition.

**Risks (problems the injection may cause).** As with any procedure, there are risks with a subconjunctival injection. In some cases, the injection may not control your eye condition even when it is properly performed. Your ophthalmologist cannot tell you about every risk. Here are some of the most common and serious ones:

* Bleeding on the surface of the eye
* Side effects from the medication being injected
* Failure to cure or control your eye condition, with the need for eye drops, laser treatment, another injection, or eye surgery
* Worse or lost vision
* Damage to the eyeball
* Infection, soon after the injection, or months or years later
* Inflammation
* Cataract or clouding of the lens (except if you have already had cataract surgery or if you are having cataract surgery at the same time as this glaucoma surgery)
* Droopy eyelid
* Pain, irritation, or discomfort in the eye or surrounding tissues that may lasts
* Problems during surgery that need immediate treatment. Your surgeon may need to do more surgery right away or change your surgery to treat this new problem.
* Other risks. There is no guarantee that the injection will improve your vision. The injection may make your vision worse, cause blindness, or even the loss of an eye. These problems can appear weeks, months, or even years after surgery.

**A subconjunctival injection is performed under topical anesthesia**, which means that eye drops are used to numb the eye. You must be able to cooperate with the surgeon to make sure you do not move your eye during surgery. Risks of topical anesthesia include injury to the eye by movement during the injection, drooping of the eyelid, and increased sensation during the procedure.

**By signing below, you consent (agree) that:**

* You read this informed consent form or had it read to you.
* You were told you have glaucoma.
* Your questions about the injection were answered.
* You consent to have the ophthalmologist perform a subconjunctival injection in your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (“right,” “left”) eye.

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Patient Signature (or person authorized to sign for patient) Date