## 9 HANDY TIPS FOR GOOD HEALTHY EYES

DID YOU KNOW?

81% of visual impairment cases could have been prevented through early detection.



Visit your **Optometrist annually**, for a comprehensive vision and eye health examination.

Common vision problems: myopia (short-sightedness); hyperopia (farsightedness), astigmatism (focussing difficulties) and presbyopia (near vision problems at age 40+).

Motor vehicle drivers require excellent vision to prevent car crashes.

Children with visual problems perform poorly in school. Annual check-ups at the optometrist, may detect short-sightedness (myopia).

Consult your primary eye care optometrist if you have itchy, watery, red, or sore eyes.

**Diabetes, hypertension, and cholesterol** affect the blood vessels in the eye. Your optometrist will advise on progression and treatment of these chronic conditions.

Detecting cataracts, glaucoma and macular degeneration early can prevent blindness.

Always use sunglasses or tints for UV protection, safety treatments for mechanical protection and anti-reflex blue light filters for computer work.

Stop smoking, exercise, and have a healthy eating plan.



