

## **Elman Retina**

### **Wearing a Mask in the Office**

**The Maryland Department of Health has reported that overall respiratory illness activity in Maryland is high due to the recent surge of flu cases statewide. The elevated levels of flu activity in Maryland have also led to increased hospitalizations. In accordance with Department of Health guidance ([see \*\*www.health.maryland.gov\*\*](http://www.health.maryland.gov)), and to protect our staff and patients, Elman Retina Group is immediately requiring that all patients visiting our offices wear a mask. If you don't have a mask when you arrive, a disposable mask will be provided to you. The Practice will consider accommodating documented requests for medical or religious exceptions. If you are making a request for an exception, please contact Terri Cain, Practice Administrator, before coming into the office so that your request can be considered. Thank you for your assistance in complying with this important initiative as we try and keep everyone healthy.**