CONSENT FOR GLAUCOMA SURGERY

Glaucoma surgery aims to reduce the pressure in the eye when medical therapy isnot appropriate or has failed. Risks with this procedure include:

1) Overdrainage. This may require further surgery or treatment

2) Underdrainage. This may require further surgery or treatment

3) Vision may be worse in the short-term

4) Infection, which can lead to blindness

5) Blindness or deterioration in vision from other causes such as cataract or progression of glaucoma

6) Drooping eyelid that can be disfiguring

7) Permanently dilated pupil, which can cause glare and sensitivity to light

8) Double vision

This procedure will be performed under general anaesthetic unless discussed with the patient.

The patient will need to have regular follow-up appointments with the doctor in the first month after the surgery, to check the eye pressure.

After the procedure if you experience any of the following symptoms:

• Decreased vision

• Pain

You are to call Dr Saloojee immediately on any of the above numbers.

I acknowledge that the doctor has explained my condition and the risks of the procedure and possible outcomes. I understand that it is impossible for me to be informed of every conceivable complication that may occur. I have read and understood the preceding information and Dr Saloojee has answered my questions concerning the procedure.

I hereby consent to Dr Saloojee performing glaucoma surgery on my eye.