Can Laser Eye Surgery Treat Macular Degeneration?

If small print has started to blur or faces are harder to make out across the room, these changes can have several causes, including macular degeneration. You may be wondering whether LASIK can help. It's a fair question, and our team at the Bochner Eye Institute is here to explain your options.

Macular degeneration affects the macula, the central part of the retina. LASIK and PRK reshape the cornea at the front of the eye so light focuses more accurately, so they do not treat AMD.

Laser photocoagulation is used in select wet AMD cases, while anti-VEGF injections are usually the first approach. For dry AMD, people have long been told there wasn't much to do but wait. But the Bochner Eye Institute are changing that with Corneal Photovitrification (CPV).

CPV involves no cutting and no injections. The laser redirects light away from damaged macula cells and toward healthier retinal tissue. The procedure takes place in-office with drops for comfort, and a consultation with imaging can determine whether you're a candidate.

Regular eye exams help catch changes early, when more options are often available. Book a consultation at our Toronto, Scarborough, Unionville, or Oakville locations to find out what's possible for your vision.

To learn more, read our full blog on the topic!