

List of Clinical Abbreviations

AC/A – accommodative convergence/accommodation
AC IOL – anterior chamber IOL
ARMD – age-related macular degeneration
APD – afferent pupillary defect
BD – base down
BI – base in
BO – base out
BP – blood pressure
BU – base up
BVA – best or best-corrected visual acuity
C – Celsius
C/D – cup-to-disc ratio
CF – counting fingers
cm – centimeter
CL – contact lens
CN – cranial nerve
cpm – cycles per minute
CT – computed tomography
D – diopter
DC – diopter cylinder
Dk – permeability coefficient
DS – diopter sphere
ED – effective diameter
EOM – extraocular muscle
ER – emergency room
F – Fahrenheit
FA – fluorescein angiogram

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FDT – frequency-doubling technology
FTA-Abs – fluorescent treponemal antibody absorption test
FTFC – full to finger counting
GP CL – gas permeable contact lens
H – horizontal
HA – headache
HIV – human immunodeficiency virus
h/o – history of
HM – hand motion
IOL – intraocular lens
IOP – intraocular pressure
IU – international units
IV – intravenous
K – keratometry reading
LASEK – laser-assisted subepithelial keratomileusis
LASIK – laser in situ keratomileusis
MEM – monocular estimation method
mg – milligram
ml – milliliter
mm – millimeter
mmHg – millimeters of mercury
MRI – magnetic resonance imaging
MRSA – methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus
NaCl – sodium chloride
NaFl – fluorescein sodium
NKDA – no known drug allergies
NKMA – no known medical allergies
NLP – no light perception

NRA – negative relative accommodation
NS – nuclear sclerosis
OCT – optical coherence tomography
OD – right eye (oculus dexter)
OS – left eye (oculus sinister)
OU – both eyes (oculi uniter)
PC IOL – posterior chamber intraocular lens
PD – pupillary distance
PERRL – pupils equal, round and reactive to light
PH – pinhole
PHNI – pinhole no improvement
 Δ – prism diopter
PRA – positive relative accommodation
PRK – photorefractive keratectomy
PRN – as needed (pro re nata)
PVD – posterior vitreous detachment
RK – radial keratotomy
RPE – retinal pigment epithelium
Rx – prescription
SCL – soft contact lens
s/p – status post
TBUT – tear break-up time
UV – ultraviolet
V – vertical
VA – visual acuity
VEGF – vascular endothelial growth factor
VF – visual field