

The Litvin Centers for Diabetes Implement Retasure for Retinal Risk Assessment

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"We are very excited about our new partnership with The Litvin Centers for Diabetes," said Scott Sanner, Senior Vice President, North American Operations of Digital Healthcare. "Dr. Litvin and his staff are already providing excellent programs for their patients, and adding Retasure further expands the comprehensiveness of their diabetic care programs."

"Diabetes is a complex disease with multiple complications and we believe treatment requires an intensively integrated approach and a great deal of education," said Yair Litvin M.D., founder of the Litvin Centers for Diabetes. "We can now better address the complication of diabetic retinopathy, which is a high-risk condition for diabetics and a leading cause of blindness. With Retasure we are increasing our ability to assess patients' total health."

The FDA-approved and HEDIS compliant Retasure program provides a simple, affordable, and non-invasive solution that allows physicians to capture their patients' retinal images during a three to five minute procedure without eye dilation. Images are transmitted over a secure, HIPAA compliant network to an accredited reading center. A state-licensed and board certified ophthalmologist reviews the images and results are returned to the original physician within 72 hours. The simplicity of the assessment process is unique in the market and addresses a previously un-met need for one of the nation's largest public health issues.

There are an estimated 21 million diabetic patients in the US, but only about half have any retinal assessments, despite a high risk of diabetic retinopathy. The National Eye Institute indicates diabetic retinopathy is the leading cause of blindness among working age American adults. More than a million patients worldwide have received a retinal risk assessment using Digital Healthcare software.

About Digital Healthcare

Digital Healthcare is the global leader in retinal risk assessment. They are the world's leading provider of care management programs for diabetic retinopathy. Their award-winning MS-HUG technology is used by leading hospitals and research centers including University Hospitals Case Medical Center at Case Western Reserve University, The Wilmer Eye Institute at The Johns Hopkins University and the United States Military.

Digital Healthcare's Retasure solution offers several advantages for primary care and endocrinologist physicians and their patients: It can be operated by non-clinicians; it is non-invasive and requires no dilation; it obtains exceptionally high-quality digital images of the retina using a simple-to-operate fundus camera; it returns results quickly to the ordering physicians; and it encourages patient compliance for retinal evaluation and comprehensive eye examinations. For more information, visit www.retasure.com.

About The Litvin Centers for Diabetes

The Litvin Centers for Diabetes provide comprehensive diabetes care and education services from their Fort Lee and West Orange, NJ offices. Dr. Yair Litvin founded the centers which are also professionally staffed by Podiatrist Dr. Michael Rosenblum, Nurse Practitioner Caroline Kinzelberg and Registered Dietician Vivian Pincus. For more information, please visit www.diabetes-doctor.com.

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