

Diagnostic, Treatment and Surgical Services include but are not limited to:

- Electroretinogram
- Ocular Ultrasound
- Eyelid Surgery
- Indirect Ophthalmoscopy
- Doppler Blood Pressure
- Corneal Grafts
- Slit Lamp Biomicroscopy
- Tonometry/Gonioscopy (Glaucoma)
- Ophthalmic Laser Procedures
- Inflammatory Conditions of the Eye
- Dry Eye Therapy and Surgery
- Prosthetic Eye Placement
- Lens Luxation and Lens Removal
- Cataract Surgery (Phacoemulsification with Lens Implants)
- OFA CAER Companion Animal Eye Registry Exam

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Emergency Services are available after hours, nights, weekends and holidays at our associated emergency hospital.

(205) 481-1001

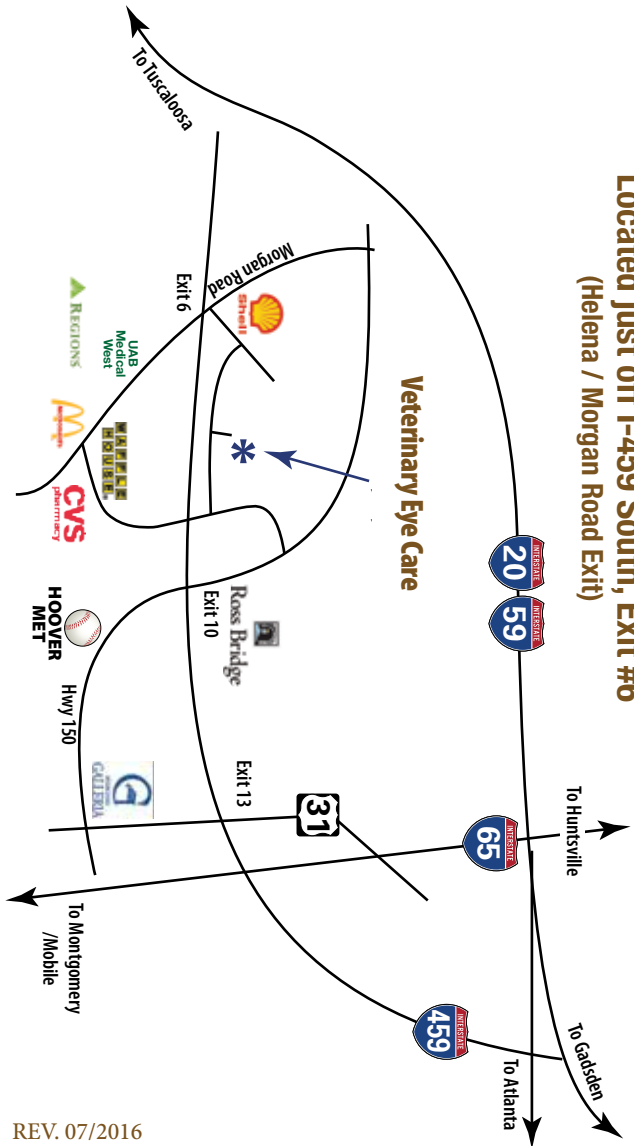
APPOINTMENTS

-  Office Hours:
Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
-  Appointments:
Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
-  Patient drop-off and pick-up available outside of normal business hours through our ER Service
-  Please bring all previous and current medications
-  Emergency Services available
-  It is very important that your pet not be fed on the day of appointment if surgery is anticipated.

Veterinarians are required by Federal Law to perform an annual examination of your pet prior to refilling a medical prescription.

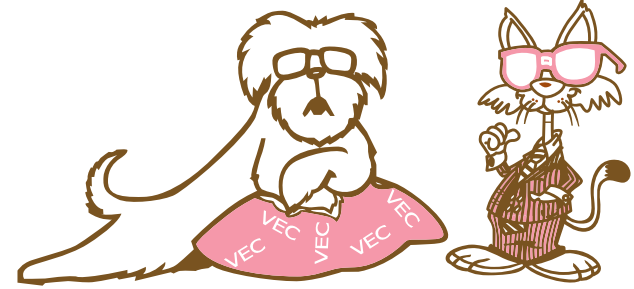
From Tuscaloosa:
I-459 North, take Exit #6 (Helena-Bessemer/Morgan Road Exit). At end of exit ramp turn left onto Morgan Road and go under interstate. Take first right just in front of Shell Station onto Greenwood Parkway, take an immediate right onto Pine Lane, go 3/4 mile to hospital entrance on left.

From Birmingham, I-65 and North, South and East Alabama:
I-459 South, take Exit #6 (Helena-Bessemer/Morgan Road Exit). At end of exit ramp turn right onto Morgan Road, take first right just in front of Shell Station onto Greenwood Parkway, take an immediate right onto Pine Lane, go 3/4 mile to hospital entrance on left.



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VETERINARY EYE CARE



Practice limited to the specialized surgical and medical treatment of animal eyes



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INTRODUCTION TO VETERINARY EYE CARE

Established in 1993, Veterinary Eye Care is a referral ophthalmology practice that specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of eye diseases in all animal species.

An ophthalmologist specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of diseases involving the eyes. A minimum of eight years of college including Veterinary School are required in addition to a one year small animal surgical and medical rotating internship, followed by a two or three year intensive residency program where the techniques of diagnosis, treatment and surgery are mastered.

Oral, practical and written examinations must be successfully completed before admission as a Diplomate of the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmology (ACVO).

OUR POLICY

The Veterinary Eye Care practice is limited to the surgery and treatment of animal eyes. Veterinary Eye Care was established in 1993. It is independent and is not associated with any other private practice or ophthalmology specialty practice.



SUSAN R. NELMS, DVM, DACVO

Dr. Nelms is a 1990 graduate of the Mississippi State University, College of Veterinary Medicine. She completed a post-doctoral surgery and medical internship at The Animal Medical Center in New York City. Dr. Nelms completed an ophthalmology residency at North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine and became a Board Certified Veterinary Ophthalmologist in 1993 (Diplomate of Veterinary Ophthalmology).

In addition to her clinical interests, Dr. Nelms serves as a consulting ophthalmologist for Southern Research Institute, the Birmingham Zoo and the Alabama Wildlife Center. She is an extern mentor for Mississippi State University and Auburn University veterinary students.

Her special ophthalmology interests include: cataract and other intraocular surgeries, corneal grafting and ocular manifestations of systemic diseases.

Non-ophthalmologic interests include: spending time with her three children, horse back riding and long distance running.

WHEN DOES YOUR PET NEED A VETERINARY OPHTHALMOLOGIST?

Your family veterinarian is the best person to decide if your pet needs further examination by a specialist. Referral indicates your veterinarian's proficiency in identifying conditions which may benefit from specialized diagnosis and treatment.



THE EXAMINATION

The first visit involves a comprehensive ophthalmic examination and usually takes 30 minutes, but can be longer if additional procedures are required. If surgery is indicated, an estimate of the costs associated with the surgery will be provided.

CERTIFICATION EXAMINATIONS

Purebred dogs can be screened for inherited eye disease by a board certified veterinary ophthalmologist. Registration and certification is available through OFA.

FOLLOW UP CARE

Communication between your veterinarian and the ophthalmologist is essential. After your pet's initial visit, and following any future exams, procedures or surgeries, your veterinarian will be provided with updated referral reports concerning your pet's condition.

FEES

The fees for service provided are usual and customary for the type of specialty service offered.

