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Tufts-New England Eye Center announces no-cost LASIK for the disabled

Boston, MA., June 6, 2005 – Tufts-New England Eye Center today announced the official launch of the *Visual Independence Project (V.I.P. Program for the Disabled)*. Drs. Helen K. Wu and Michael H. Goldstein provide surgery without fee for individuals with physical conditions that prevent them from handling their glasses and contacts without assistance. As part of the program, Drs. Wu and Goldstein include pre-operative exams, laser or surgical vision correction, and post-operative exams at no charge for qualified individuals. To qualify, patients must meet the following criteria: 1. Physically unable to handle their glasses and contacts without assistance. 2. Good candidate for laser or surgical vision correction, i.e. healthy eyes, within proper prescription range, 3. age 21 or older.

The Visual Independence Project joins other Community Vision Programs offered by the Tufts-New England Eye Center such as the 1st Responder program for police, fire and emergency personnel and the Corporate Vision Program for regionally based companies.

For more information about the V.I.P. Program for the Disabled, contact Bill Sacco, Director of Operations at the Tufts-New England Eye Center's Laser Vision Center at 617-636-1055.

About New England Eye Center

Tufts New England Eye Center is located in the heart of Boston's Theater district above the Wang Center and is affiliated with the Tufts-New England Medical Center. Tufts-New England Eye Center is a leading provider of Laser Vision Correction in Greater Boston and New England. The Eye Center offers LASIK along with CK, PRK, Crystalens and other vision correction procedures. The staff includes Drs. Helen Wu and Michael Goldstein both Board Certified Cornea specialists. For more information about the Tufts-New England Eye Center, go to www.mylasikdoc.com.

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