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EUGENE, Ore.—Drs. Fine, Hoffman and Packer, LLC is announcing the release of the new crystalens Five-O. Crystalens corrects vision at all distances and in most cases eliminates the need for glasses and contacts for everyday tasks. Its ability to focus at all distances frees most patients from the need for glasses following cataract surgery.

The new crystalens Five-O has been redesigned to include new features:

- The optic size has been increased from 4.5 to 5.0mm;

- The plates are parallel rather than trapezoidal;

- 17% greater surface area for contact between the optic, plates and capsular bag;

- 90% more plate arc length.

Surgeons' preference for a larger optic led to the development of the redesign. This feature will further increase the ease with which surgeons can implant the lens. The parallel pockets will lead to greater plate motion by creation of a uniform width pocket in the capsular bag. The increase in surface area and arc length will further enhance predictability and capsular bag support. Crystalens Five-O is easily inserted with an injector through a 2.8 mm incision.

The crystalens is the result of more than 14 years of research and development and was approved by the FDA in November 2003. During clinical trials, all of the patients who received the crystalens greatly reduced their need for corrective lenses or eyeglasses. The patented crystalens technology is designed to allow the lens to move in the eye in a manner similar to the natural lens. By using the eye's muscle to move the lens backwards and forwards naturally, patients can focus through a continuous range of vision including near, far and intermediate vision. All other intraocular lenses are designed to remain fixed in the eye. For more information about the crystalens go to www.finemd.com.

Drs. I. Howard Fine, Richard Hoffman and Mark Packer are one of a select group of practices that are continually involved in the research and clinical investigation of the latest intraocular lens designs and cataract removal technologies. Due to our relationship with the ophthalmic industry, we are able to offer some of the most advanced and safest cataract surgery technology and the most advantageous intraocular lens designs to our patients many years before they become available to the general public. Drs. Fine, Hoffman and Packer in Eugene, Oregon were among the first physicians in the country to treat patients with the Crystalens intraocular lens implant.