



## Center for the Visually Impaired

● ● Every person with vision loss should be able to live with independence and dignity. This goal guides the activities of the Center for the Visually Impaired (CVI), and we work in a variety of ways to achieve it.

Each year, more than 5,000 people from Atlanta and all over Georgia turn to CVI to help them adjust to – or improve – a life with limited or no sight. CVI is Georgia's largest comprehensive, fully accredited private facility providing rehabilitation services to people who are blind or visually impaired.

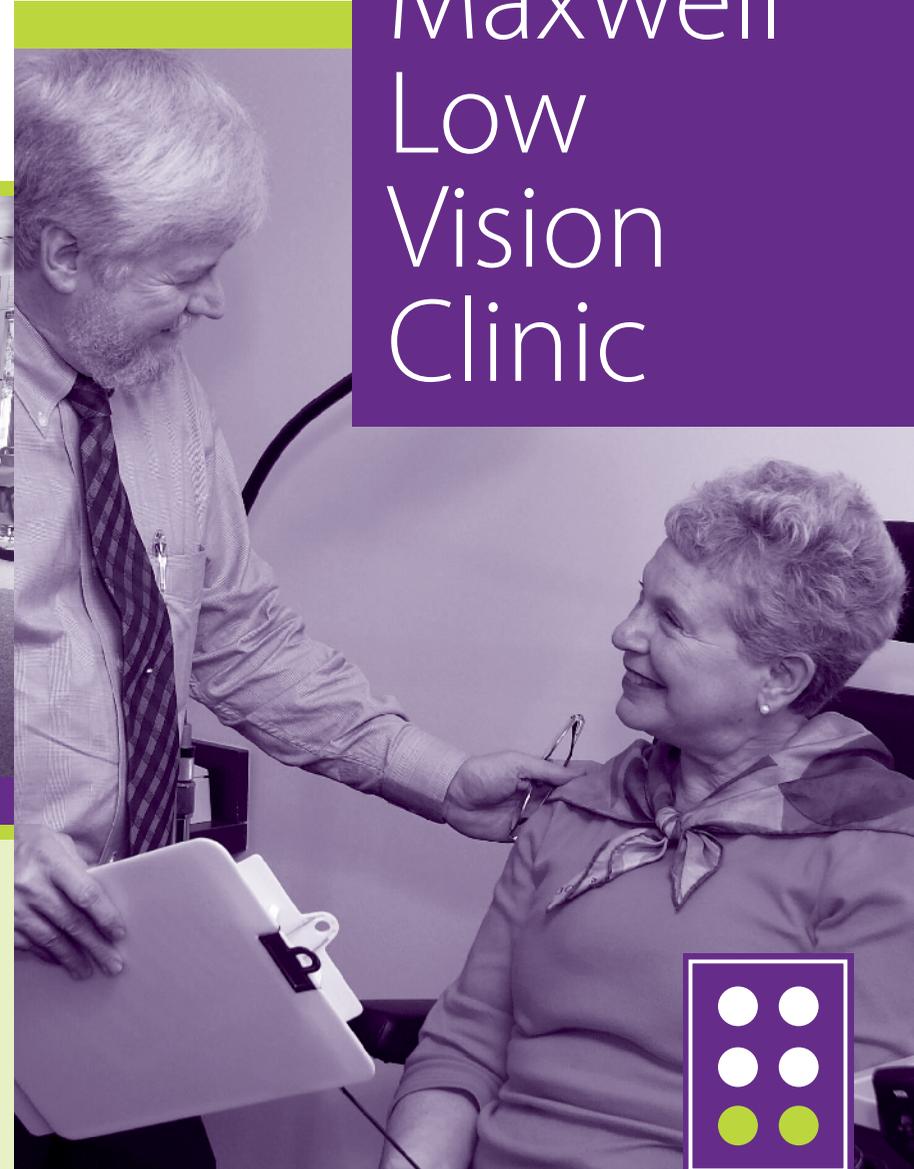
**CVI is grateful to the Healthcare Georgia Foundation who awarded us a grant to fund our life-changing work. CVI is committed to using donor dollars wisely to provide comprehensive services to our clients.**

- ● **Florence Maxwell Low Vision Clinic**  
Center for the Visually Impaired  
739 West Peachtree Street, N.W.  
Atlanta, GA 30308  
404-875-9011  
[www.cviga.org](http://www.cviga.org)



- ● **VisAbility Store**  
*A non-profit store selling aids and devices for those facing vision loss.*  
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday  
at the Center for people with vision loss.  
  
739 West Peachtree Street, N.W.  
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● ● Our goal at the Florence Maxwell Low Vision Clinic is to help people ages five and up who have low vision develop new skills and have the tools needed to remain as independent as possible, to enhance all aspects of daily living and to gain an improved quality of life.

**“I’m not that bad yet.”**

People will often say, “I am not that bad”. So how bad does vision have to become before you seek help? The earlier a person receives low vision services, the better the outcomes will be and the chance of the onset of depression will decrease.

**Who pays for low vision services?**

Medicare will pay 80% for low vision services after your deductible. Most secondary insurances will pay the remaining 20%. We are also providers for many private insurance companies. Some require a pre-approval to

cover low vision services, so you should check with your provider. If your insurance plan does not cover low vision services, there may be other funding sources available. We do not turn anyone away due to an inability to pay.

**Do I have to pay for magnifiers?**

Magnifiers and other devices are not covered by insurance. CVI operates a non-profit store called the VisAbility Store which sells magnifiers and many other aids for people with low vision. Funds may be available to assist those with an inability to pay. Learn more when you make your appointment.

**How do I know if I need low vision services?**

**Are you having difficulty...**

- Seeing faces?
- Reading newspapers and magazines?
- Reading bills, mail and medication bottles?
- Managing your finances?
- Signing your name?
- Using your computer?
- Watching TV?

Did you answer “yes” to any of the above questions? If so, then you are a good candidate for low vision services. Discuss low vision services with your doctor and ask for a referral or call the Center for the Visually Impaired (CVI) at 404-875-9011 and request services on your own.

Services Provided at the Florence Maxwell Low Vision Clinic



- examine
- evaluate
  - assess
- educate
- inform

An optometrist will provide a thorough low vision exam to assess your visual challenges.

We will conduct an evaluation of all aspects of daily living to learn more about your specific vision challenges.

We assess if glasses, magnifiers or other optical aids would be beneficial to improve your visual function.

A low vision occupational therapist or a certified low vision therapist will provide education and training for devices, non-optical aids and simple strategies to maximize vision.

We provide information about community services and resources available to people with low vision. This may include learning about support groups and services provided by CVI that may be beneficial for you.