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### **Jacqueline D. Griffiths, M.D., Travels to S. Korea and China to Lecture to Their Ophthalmology Societies on Epi-K Procedure**

**Reston, VA, April 24, 2006** – Jacqueline D. Griffiths, M.D., Medical Director of NewView Laser Eye in Reston, Virginia, was invited to S. Korea and China to lecture to their Ophthalmology Societies about her clinical experience, outcomes, and recommendations with Epi-K Advanced Surface Treatment using Moria's Epi-keratome for LASER VISION CORRECTION. Dr. Griffiths began performing Epi-K in June 2005 and has become a leading expert on the procedure. She also lectured on Epi-K at the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons (ASCRS) conference held in San Francisco in March 2006 to attending Ophthalmologists.

Epi-K gives the laser access to corneal tissue by separating just the thin upper layer of the cornea known as the "epithelium" using an FDA approved Epi-keratome. Vision is corrected using the excimer laser. It has been suggested that Epi-K may provide better outcomes when combined with Custom laser vision correction compared to LASIK procedures because the bed upon which the laser treats is smoother with this technique.

Dr. Griffiths' lecture, titled "Clinical Experience with Moria Epi-K", discusses the best candidates for the procedure, surgical techniques, and her results. Her results performing Epi-K have been outstanding, with 82% achieving 20/25 or better and 96% achieving 20/40 or better at 1-month post-op. By 3-month post-op, 82% of patients achieved 20/20 or better, 98% of patients achieved 20/25 or better, and 100% were 20/40 or better.

Serving as a clinical investigator for the FDA LASIK vision correction trials, Dr. Griffiths began performing laser eye surgery in 1996 and has performed thousands of refractive procedures. She completed her undergraduate studies at Yale University and received her medical degree from University of Michigan Medical School along with a Certificate of Honor for Academic Excellence. Dr. Griffiths completed her residency at Georgetown University Medical School. She is a Diplomate of the American Board of Ophthalmology, a Fellow of the American Board of Ophthalmology and a member of the Virginia Academy of Ophthalmology, the American Society for Cataract and Refractive Surgeons, National Medical Association, Washington Eye Center and American Medical Association.