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FREE SEMINAR SCHEDULED AT HALIFAX HEALTHLINK

Dr. Brian Crichlow Explains Glaucoma

ROANOKE RAPIDS, N. C. (January 14, 2010)—A thief may be taking one of your most valuable possessions, and you may not even know it.

The thief is Glaucoma, and you can learn more about this sight-robbing disease by attending a free seminar at Halifax HealthLink at 7 p.m. January 26.

Brian Crichlow, MD, an ophthalmologist in Roanoke Rapids, will present the seminar entitled, “The Silent Thief of Sight.” Dr. Crichlow is a graduate of Duke University Medical School. He completed his residency at MCP Hahnemann University Hospital in Pennsylvania and his fellowship in Cornea and Anterior Segment Disease at the Beraja Institute in Florida.

Glaucoma is a group of diseases that can steal sight without warning or symptoms. More than 3 million Americans have it, but only half know it.

Groups at high risk for Glaucoma are African Americans, people over 60, family members with Glaucoma, and Hispanics in older age groups. People at high risk for Glaucoma should get a complete eye exam, including dilation, every one or two years.

Halifax HealthLink is the fitness and educational resource center of Halifax Regional, a non-profit organization.

Light refreshments will be served at the seminar. For more information, call Jackie Cieslinski at 252 535-4334.

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