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Start Seeing Again!



With Cataracts



Clear Vision

What are the Symptoms of a Cataract?

- A gradual deterioration in vision over time
- Objects may appear yellow, hazy, blurred or distorted
- Vision in bright light or in the sunshine may be difficult due to glare
- Distortions, ghosted images and halos may appear



DENNIS MATZKIN, M.D. Cataract and Refractive Surgeon



Dennis Matzkin, M.D. graduated from the University of Witwatersrand Medical School in 1980. He completed his internship in medicine and surgery as well as ophthalmology at the Johannesburg Hospital. After completing two years national service as a medical officer in South Africa, he entered residency at the University of Cape Town, Groote Schuur Hospital. He was awarded the Fellowship in Ophthalmology by the college of medicine in South Africa.

After immigrating to the US in 1989, Dr Matzkin spent 5 years undergoing further ophthalmic training at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, NY, where he was a fellow and surgical instructor in microsurgical eye surgery. He has published articles in peer review journals, and presented papers at national meetings.

Dr Matzkin began general ophthalmic practice in Atlanta in 1995. He established Eye 1st Vision & Laser in 2000.

Dr Matzkin is certified by the American Board of Ophthalmology, member of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons, American Medical Association and the Georgia Society of Ophthalmology.

He has treated such high profile patients as President Carter's three children, Captain Herb Emory "Eye-in-the-Sky", weather anchor Laura Huckabee, and the three-time world champion archer, Jessie Moorhead from the Outdoor TV Channel.

GEORGE O. WARING, III, M.D. Cataract and Refractive Surgeon

Dr. Waring is an ophthalmic surgeon with 25 years of experience in vision correction surgery, RK LASIK, intraocular lens implants and cataract and corneal surgery.

He was born in Buffalo, New York, and received his MD degree from Baylor Medical College in Houston, TX. His ophthalmology training included a residency followed by a Heed Fellowship in corneal disease and surgery at the Wills Eye Hospital in Philadelphia.



Dr Waring began his academic career in 1974 at the University of California, Davis. In 1979 he joined the faculty at Emory University, where he has been a tenured Professor of Ophthalmology and Director of Refractive Surgery until 2004, when he entered private practice.

Dr. Waring is board certified by the American Board of Ophthalmology and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons (FACS) and of the Royal College of Ophthalmologists (FRCOphth, Britain). He is a member of approximately 50 ophthalmological societies, American Ophthalmological Society, American Academy of Ophthalmology, International Society of Refractive Surgery, and the International Intraocular Implant Club. To read more about Dr. Waring's numerous professional awards and accomplishments, please access his full bio at www.GeorgeWaring.com.

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What is a Cataract?

The word cataract is used to describe a natural lens that has turned cloudy. Cataracts are not a disease, but rather a condition affecting the eye. As the natural lens of the eye becomes cloudy, it does not allow light to pass through it as well as it did when it was transparent. Cataracts usually start as a slight cloudiness that progressively grows more opaque. They are usually white, but may take on color such as yellow or brown. As the cataract becomes more mature (increasingly opaque and dense), the retina receives less and less light. The light that does reach the retina becomes increasingly blurred and distorted. This causes gradual impairment of vision. If left untreated, cataracts can cause needless blindness. A cataract can only be removed by surgery. Cataract surgery is one of the most common operations performed, usually with excellent results. Generally, cataracts are removed on an outpatient basis, unless admission to the hospital is medically necessary. Most patients are up and about on the day of surgery.



Advances in Cataract Surgery

Now cataract patients have an advanced option for replacing their natural lens with a Multifocal Lens during their lens replacement procedure. Just like traditional cataract surgery, the procedure is a simple, outpatient procedure. The stay at an ambulatory surgery center is just a few hours and recovery time after surgery is minimal.



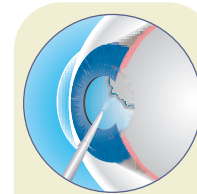
How is the Multifocal Lens implanted?

Your natural lens that has developed a cataract is replaced with the flexible, permanent Multifocal Lens during cataract surgery. After the surgeon removes your natural "cloudy" cataract lens, the soft acrylic Multifocal Lens is implanted in the eye via proven techniques used to insert a standard IOL. Essentially, the new lens is folded and placed into the eye through a very small incision. The clear artificial Multifocal Lens then gently unfolds and is set into its permanent position, restoring vision at all distances.

Multifocal Lens Results

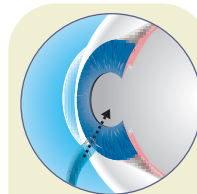
- With the Multifocal Lens implant, 80 percent of cataract patients (with or without presbyopia) could see clearly without the aid of glasses or bifocals following implantation in both eyes.
- 84 percent of patients who received the Multifocal Lens in both eyes achieved a distance visual sharpness of 20/25 or better and near visual sharpness of 20/32 or better.

- Standard IOLs restore vision in limited sight ranges. The Multifocal Lens has proven to reinstate vision at all distances—near, immediate and far.



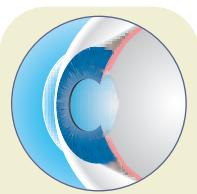
Step 1:

The natural "cloudy" cataract lens is removed through a small incision.



Step 2:

The new Multifocal Lens is folded and inserted through the small incision.



Step 3:

The new Multifocal Lens unfolds itself and sets into its permanent position.

Pain-free Cataract Surgery

Cataract surgery is a pain-free experience thanks to advances in anesthesia. Patients are awake during the surgery and are able to resume normal activities shortly afterwards. According to a survey conducted by the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery, more than 98 percent of cataract patients had their vision successfully improved after surgery. Many patients experience vision that is actually better than before they developed cataracts. Once removed, cataracts will not grow back. However, some patients may experience clouding of a thin tissue called the capsule or "bag" that holds the intraocular lens (IOL). If this occurs, a laser is used to painlessly open the clouded capsule and restore clear vision.