

KEY POINTS ABOUT LASIK

- Most (but not all) people attain 20/20 visual acuity with LASIK. Results cannot be guaranteed.
 - Approximately 3% of LASIK patients require a second surgery (called an enhancement) to attain acceptable visual acuity without eyeglasses. If needed, enhancements are performed 5 to 6 months after the initial LASIK. There is no additional fee for enhancements.
 - Your eyes may feel dry for several weeks to several months after LASIK. Use artificial tears frequently as directed to keep your eyes moist and comfortable.
 - Your vision will fluctuate for a period of time after LASIK. It may take several months for your vision to stabilize completely.
 - You may experience glare and halos around lights when driving at night after LASIK. CustomVue™ LASIK reduces the risk of nighttime glare from LASIK surgery.
 - Patients over age 40: LASIK does not eliminate the need for reading glasses. You can reduce your dependence on reading glasses if you choose to have one eye intentionally made mildly nearsighted. (This is called monovision, and will be discussed during your pre-op exam.)
 - Like any surgical procedure, LASIK involves some risk. Loss of visual acuity from LASIK(i.e. persistent blurred vision that cannot be corrected to 20/20 with eyeglasses or LASIK enhancements) is rare, occurring in less than 0.5% of all LASIK procedures.
 - Very infrequently, a complication may develop during LASIK that requires the surgery to be stopped, and you may have to return several weeks later to complete the procedure.
 - LASIK does not eliminate your need for routine eye exams to monitor the health of your eyes. Continue to see your family eye doctor after LASIK for routine exams as directed.
 - To reduce your risk of eye injuries after LASIK, wear protective eyewear during potentially hazardous activities (e.g. sports, yard work, when using power tools, etc.).
 - For the best vision and comfort outdoors after LASIK, wear sunglasses that block 100% of the sun's UV rays. For enhanced visual contrast, polarized lenses are recommended.
- I have read this information prior to my decision about having LASIK surgery.

Signature

Date