

Fort Wayne Ophthalmic Surgical Center



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As Fort Wayne's premier medical and surgical eye specialists, Fort Wayne Eye Center provides direct access to highly trained ophthalmic specialists and a state-of-the-art ambulatory surgical center, dedicated exclusively to eye care. Experience, technology, expertise and safety are of paramount importance when selecting a surgeon. That's why Fort Wayne Eye Center is favored by many, patients and physicians alike, as one of the leading ophthalmology practices in Indiana.

Laser Vision Correction (LASIK and Advanced Surface Ablation)

Laser Vision Correction refers to the group of procedures that use an Excimer laser to gently reshape corneal tissue to reduce dependency on glasses or contact lenses for distance vision. Fort Wayne Eye Center uses the on-site Bausch and Lomb Zyoptix laser system to perform custom Wavefront laser surgery. Many LASIK and ASA procedures are Wavefront treatments, in which the laser is guided by the precise digital mapping capabilities of Wavefront technology. The Wavefront computerized imaging device creates a 3-D "fingerprint" of the eye, analyzing both the prescription and the tiny imperfections that would be otherwise impossible to analyze. Wavefront mapping allows the surgeon to achieve a higher level of customization with each patient's treatment, ultimately resulting in better vision and fewer side effects.

Refractive Lens Exchange (RLE)

Presbyopia is an age-related condition in which the lens of the eye loses flexibility, therefore diminishing the ability to focus on objects up close. Most people are affected by presbyopia and will notice changes beginning in their 40s. During surgery, the eye's natural lens is removed and replaced with a new multifocal lens. This lens allows you to see both near and far distances clearly, often without the aid of reading glasses. Due to the placement and small size of the incision, it seals itself and no stitches are required. The procedure is nearly identical to modern cataract surgery, which is the most commonly performed surgery in the world.

Oculoplastics and Facial Cosmetic Surgery

Oculoplastics services involve procedures to correct problems around the eye area including drooping of upper and lower eye lids, tearing disorders, eye socket or orbital surgery and trauma surgery. Fort Wayne Eye Center offers a carefully selected array of cosmetic procedures specialized in the eye and facial regions, including blepharoplasty, minimally-invasive brow lifts, Botox® and popular wrinkle fillers Restylane and CosmoDerm.



Cataract Surgery

Cataract surgery is the most commonly performed surgery in the United States. Cataracts are part of the natural aging process. The lens of the eye, located behind the pupil, slowly becomes yellow and cloudy. Over time, vision becomes blurry and colors become less vivid and distinct. Eventually, this decreased vision may begin to affect the individual's daily life, and cataract surgery is required. During cataract surgery, the eye's natural lens is removed through a small incision and replaced with an artificial intraocular lens (IOL). The incision is self-sealing and requires no stitches due to its small size.

Our Specialists

Our team of experts provides the utmost in specialized medical and surgical eye care including cataract, glaucoma, laser refractive surgery, oculoplastics and cosmetic surgery, treatment of retinal and vitreous diseases and medical optometry. If you have questions about the medical and surgical services we provide, please contact us.

Michael J. Hodkin, M.D., M.B.A. As a board-certified ophthalmologist and fellowship-trained cornea specialist, Dr. Hodkin specializes in cornea, cataract and refractive surgery.

J. Rex Parent, M.D. Selected as one of Northeast Indiana's favorite ophthalmologists, "The Best Doctors in America[®]", and "America's Top Ophthalmologists", Dr. Parent is a board-certified ophthalmologist specializing in cataract and refractive surgery.

Lynnette M. Watkins, M.D., M.B.A., F.A.C.S. As a board-certified ophthalmologist and fellowship-trained oculoplastics and cosmetic surgery specialist, Dr. Watkins has been selected as one of "America's Top Ophthalmologists", and served as both an Instructor of Ophthalmology and Director of Emergency Ophthalmology at Harvard Medical School.

Paul A. Gill, O.D. and Gregory F. Zink, O.D. As medically trained optometrists, Drs. Gill and Zink provide diagnosis and treatment of eye diseases, pre and post-operative counseling, as well as refractive surgery consultations.



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