



VERY IMPORTANT: READ EVERY WORD!

CRYSTALENS™ PRE-OPERATIVE INFORMATION

Post-Operative Expectations

The Crystalens™ Vision Enhancement process is a true cosmetic surgical process. A movie star doesn't look like a movie star the first day or even the first month after cosmetic surgery. You must realize that Crystalens™ Vision Enhancement represents a surgical intervention and time needs to be allowed for healing to take place. Please do not expect sharp vision the first day or even the first week after surgery. The operative eye will be dilated for one week after surgery. During this time, your doctor expects for you to have blurry vision, glare, halos, and light sensitivity. You may have little to no capacity for near vision the first two weeks after surgery. Similar to a movie star undergoing cosmetic surgery, you may not see your optimal visual outcome until three to four months after *bilateral* (both eyes) surgery. In the event that you desire excimer laser enhancements to fine tune your vision, your doctor will determine the proper timing for the laser enhancement. Excimer laser enhancement is usually not advised until three months after your initial surgery.

In the FDA trials, over 98% of patients with bilateral crystalens™ implantation could see well enough to be legal to drive without glasses and to see menu sized print at near. This is referred to as functional vision and should be considered the goal with crystalens™. This does not imply that you will be able to read interstate road signs in a strange city, while driving on a rainy night without corrective lenses. Nor does it mean that you will be able to read the stock quotes without corrective lenses. In a survey conducted during the FDA study, over 70% of patients stated they wore glasses none of the time or almost none of the time. This means that approximately 30% of patients still wore corrective lenses part of the time or all of the time. The size type being read is 12 point and should be a reasonable expectation for uncorrected near vision in the majority of patients. Please realize that the Crystalens™ Vision Enhancement process is a surgical procedure to decrease the dependence on corrective eyewear. The Crystalens™ Vision Enhancement process in no way guarantees or implies that "perfect 20/20 vision" will be obtained for distance, intermediate, or near vision.

Despite our best computer models for lens implant calculations, approximately 15% of our patients desire an excimer laser enhancement procedure for residual nearsightedness, farsightedness, or astigmatism. In some instances your surgeon may advise you to expect an enhancement preoperatively. The cost of an excimer laser enhancement is not included in the crystalens™ price. Over 98% of patients having crystalens™ combined with LASIK obtained 20/25 or better uncorrected distance vision at Loden Vision Centers. Even with near perfect distance and intermediate vision, please realize that approximately 25 to 30 percent of patients will still require eyewear to enhance their near vision.

I have read the information regarding crystalens™ postoperative expectations. I have had all my questions answered with regard to post-operative expectations.

Patient Signature: _____

Date: _____

Witness Signature: _____

Date: _____