



Intraocular Lens Choice (IOLs) for Cataract Surgery

WHAT TYPES OF IOLs ARE AVAILABLE?

Your ophthalmologist will help you decide on the type of IOL that will replace your cloudy lens. There are IOLs available to treat nearsightedness (myopia), farsightedness (hyperopia), and astigmatism. IOLs usually provide either near or distance vision.

I wish to have a cataract operation with the below lens that I have initialed:

_____ * **Single focus lens** is the traditional lens and provides vision for one point of focus. I understand that I will need to wear glasses for near ___ / ___ far (circle one) vision. There is no additional charge for this IOL.

_____ * **Monovision Single-focus** IOL is used in one eye to correct distance and a single-focus IOL is used in the other eye to correct near vision. You may choose monovision after a trial period of wearing contact lenses to simulate this vision.

_____ * **Blended vision** (modified monovision) A single – focus IOL used in one eye to correct distance and a single-focus IOL used in the other eye to correct intermediate vision. You will need glasses for near vision.

_____ * **Astigmatism** is caused by an irregular, football, shaped cornea that is common. A normal cornea is round like a basketball, with astigmatism your cornea is shaped like a football. Glasses, contact lenses, and refractive surgery (LASIK or PRK) can reduce astigmatism. There are also 2 other procedure which can be done at the same time as the cataract operation, or as a separate procedure:

_____ **Astigmatic Keratotomy (AK)** is a procedure with the LenSx laser to make incision(s) in the cornea to relax the cornea to a more rounded shape. Any attempt at astigmatism reduction could result in over- or under-correction, in which case glasses or contact lenses would be needed. You are responsible for the additional charge of \$_____ per eye, this is not covered by insurance.

_____ **Limbal Relaxing Incisions (LRI)** Similar to AK only the surgeon manually makes the incisions to the corneal to correct minor astigmatism in the eye. There is a possibility you may be over or under corrected with this procedure for your astigmatism. This procedure is not covered by insurances.

_____ * **Toric IOL** A toric IOL corrects moderate to severe astigmatism. This IOL is placed in a specific position in one's eye. Occasionally an IOL that has shifted will need to be repositioned within the first month after surgery. This is also a single-focused IOL and provides clear vision for one point of focus, usually distance vision. If corrected for distance, then patients will need glasses for near vision. You are responsible for the additional charge of \$_____ per eye which is not covered by insurance.

_____ * **Multifocal Toric IOL** This lens is available for patients with astigmatism and to have true performance at all distances. This will give you a full range of life-enhancing vision, but could also eliminate the reoccurring costs of new eyeglasses or contacts over your lifetime. This lens treats both presbyopia and astigmatism in one surgery. You are responsible for the additional charge of \$_____ per eye which is not covered by insurance.

_____ * **Multifocal IOL.** The goal of these IOL's is to provide people with a full range of vision so they can see objects at a distance, intermediate and near. Patients who have worn glasses or contact lenses most of their lives could have independence from glasses for the first time, however no one is guaranteed that they will not need glasses. Generally people have good functioning vision for everyday activities within six months of their procedure. For patients with a mild or moderate amount of astigmatism, a LenSx laser can be used to do an AK procedure. You are responsible for the additional charge of \$_____ per eye which is not covered by insurance.

_____ Patients with a higher degree of astigmatism and desire to reduce or eliminate their need for glasses may choose to have a multifocal IOL and LASIK. The laser used for LASIK would reduce the astigmatism. The multifocal IOL would replace your lens and provide a full range of vision. You are not guaranteed that you will not need glasses, however many patients have good functioning vision for everyday activities within 6 months of the procedure. You are responsible for the additional charge, of \$_____ per eye which insurance does not cover these procedures and lens'.

_____ * **Extended Depth of Focus IOL**. Provides improved intermediate and near vision while maintaining comparable distance vision sharpness. For patients with mild to moderate astigmatism, a LenSx laser can be used to do AK. Patients with more severe astigmatism may choose an extended depth of focus Toric IOL. Extended depth of focus IOLs are not covered by insurance and I will be responsible for the extra cost of \$_____ .

_____ ***LenSx Laser** I wish to have the LenSx laser used with the above len(s) that is initialed. I understand that this procedure is not covered by insurance and I will be responsible for \$_____

For my _____ eye, I have chosen the _____ IOL by Dr. _____ and choose _____ correction.

Financial responsibility:

I understand payment is to be made in full by the day of my surgery. I can choose an option for payment of:

- Cash (discount may vary depending on your choice above).
- Credit card: Visa, Mastercard, Discover, American Express
- Cashier's check from a bank or money order
- Financing options: CareCredit and Members 1st Federal Credit Union
- No personal checks over \$500 accepted.
- Checks must be received by the surgery center at least one week prior to the surgery.

Total cost for the procedure is \$_____ and will be paid prior to the surgery. I will be responsible to pay all of the costs associated with the service(s), including, but not limited to, practitioner costs, facility costs, ancillary charge and any other related expense not covered by insurance.