



**WHY COME TO SLADE & BAKER VISION CENTER
FOR YOUR LASER VISION CORRECTION?**

Our commitment to YOU...



Our physicians, technicians and staff guarantee to our patients our commitment to the highest standards of medical care, compassion and customer service.

We pledge to provide you with our time, our attention, and our expertise to ensure your experience with us meets your needs.



INTRALASE

We pledge to offer the safest and most advanced refractive surgery procedures and equipment from dedicated and experienced professionals.

We pledge to ensure you will be greeted with a smile, be educated about your options and respected throughout the process.



Laser Vision Correction is a surgical procedure that corrects myopia (nearsightedness), hyperopia (farsightedness), and astigmatism. The surgery is performed using a laser to gently reshape the cornea under a protective flap of tissue.

The best candidate for this procedure is a well-informed patient. To be considered for surgery, you must be at least 18 years of age with a stable refraction, have a healthy eye with no eye disease or corneal condition, and have realistic expectations for your results.

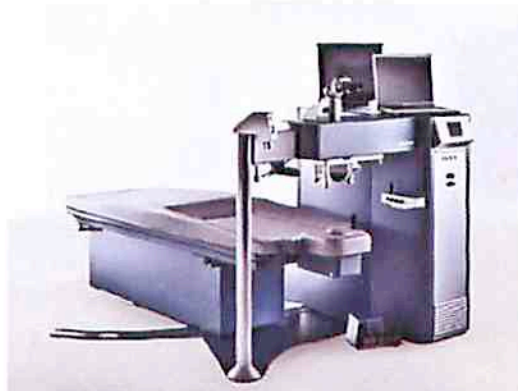
What To Expect At The Preoperative Exam



Your process begins with an examination. You will need a full examination and consultation and this will require your eyes to be dilated. This commonly takes approximately 2 hours. It will include refraction, computer corneal mapping, glaucoma testing, and a full medical and ophthalmic history. While your eyes are dilated,

they will be more sensitive to light and will cause your near vision to be blurred. Most patients can drive with dilated eyes with sunglasses although that will depend on your comfort level.

You will also require an additional test measurement that will provide data of your aberrations or distortions on the eye that cannot be measured with traditional instrumentation. The measurement takes only a few minutes and will show the surgeon the additional distortions specific to your individual eyes that may contribute to your quality of vision. CustomCornea is a procedure that utilizes this measurement to provide you with your best chance of the best quality of vision. This is accomplished by a personalized laser treatment that is based on these special measurements.



If it is determined that you are a good candidate for the surgery, all of the measurements and details taken at this exam will be used in deciding the best treatment for you.



Your Surgery

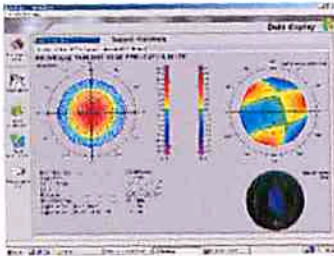
What To Expect On The Surgical Day

(Allow approximately 3-4 hours at the center)

Step 1: Arrive on time (ladies – no eye makeup) wearing comfortable clothing that allows you to feel relaxed.



Step 2: Your eyes may be dilated using eye drops and measured for the procedure. You will also receive additional eye drops to numb or anesthetize the eyes. There are no needles or IV's. After your eyes have been prepared and cleansed for surgery, you will be comfortably laid on the laser bed. The eye to be operated on will be held open using a lid holder called a lid speculum so it is properly exposed for the doctor. The doctor and technicians will work together performing a checklist to ensure that the laser is properly set and that all of the necessary things are in place for your surgery.



Step 3: Next, the surface of your eye will be prepared. A thin flap of protective tissue will be created (corneal hinge flap) using the Intralase FemtoSecond laser. This part of the procedure requires that a suction ring is engaged to stabilize the eye. During this time, your vision can grow very dim and you can feel some tightness in your eye. The eye tracker system will be engaged and the laser will follow the very small movements of your eye. Now the laser treatment will be applied.



Step 4: More eye drops will be used and you will be sent home for the remainder of the day. It is important for you to rest for the next 24 hours or as directed by your surgeon before resuming your regular daily activities. It is common to return to regular activity in approximately 1 to 2 days.

Step 5: Plan to return on the following day for a postoperative visit. This appointment will be scheduled before you leave the surgery center.



After Your Surgery

What To Expect After Your Surgery

You may be sensitive to light. You may also have a feeling that there is something in your eyes. Sunglasses usually help make you more comfortable. You will usually experience some discomfort.

Postoperative eye drops will be used for approximately 7 days. Sometimes as determined by the surgeon, you may need additional drops past that time period.

You will not be allowed to rub your eyes. You will also be asked to avoid getting water, soap or shampoo in your eyes while showering or bathing.

Driver's License Restriction



You will be given a reminder card to have your glasses or contact lens restriction removed from your driver's license. You will need to go to the DMV to have your license updated.

If you are a monovision patient you will need a DPS form completed and signed by the doctor to take with you.

What Can You Expect Your Early Vision To Be?

Typically patients experience small fluctuations and blurriness in their vision for the first week to a few months as your eyes are healing. This can be very dependent on the amount of nearsightedness, farsightedness and/or astigmatism that was treated. It is common, however, for most patients to see to resume regular activity very quickly. Your surgeon will discuss with you based on your situation what is best for you.