



EYE CENTER
OF HAWAI'I

Love Life.

aloha i ke ola

United we are ONE

Every Family Needs A Strong Foundation

With over 40 years of eye care excellence, our family has grown, so we can better serve yours. Eye Center of Hawai'i is now the home of over 9 vision care practices, providing our community with a more comprehensive and compassionate approach to healthy vision. We are excited to offer more services to truly meet the visual needs of our patients.



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OF THE PACIFIC



Experience You Can Trust

MICHAEL D. BENNETT, MD, FACS

Surgeon & Founder

Imagine life without glasses or contacts, everything in clear, bright, vibrant color. With Dr. Michael D. Bennett, this freedom and comfort is precisely what he strives to achieve everyday for the people who have chosen to trust their eyes to him. Dr. Bennett received his B.A. in chemistry from the University of Virginia while on a scholarship for swimming. He later went on to train at the premier Vitreoretinal Surgery division of Emory School of Medicine, where he completed a two-year vitreoretinal surgical fellowship and was awarded a prestigious Heed Ophthalmic Foundation Fellowship. Dr. Bennett's leadership role in the development of new vision correction technology gives him early access to the latest advances, and as a result, his patients benefit from next-generation technology before its available anywhere else.





VINCENT VU, MD

Laser Cataract &
Refractive Surgeon

Dr. Vincent Vu is a board-certified ophthalmologist and surgeon who specializes in refractive surgery, cataracts, pediatric ophthalmology, and adult strabismus. Dr. Vu also provides ophthalmologic medical and surgical care at Tripler Army Medical Center. Dr. Vu graduated from Louisiana State University of Medicine in New Orleans. He completed his internship and residency at the San Antonio Uniformed Services Health Education Consortium where he was Chief Resident. Dr. Vu then completed a pediatric ophthalmology and strabismus fellowship at the University of California, San Diego and the Naval Medical Center in San Diego.



CRAIG WILKERSON, MD

Lens Cataract &
Refractive Surgeon

Dr. Wilkerson is a comprehensive ophthalmologist specializing in cataract and anterior segment surgery. He provides medical and surgical treatment of glaucoma, diabetes and macular degeneration. Dr. Wilkerson joins us after moving from Helena, MT where he operated a solo practice for twenty years, performing thousands of surgeries including cataract, plastic and laser procedures. Dr. Wilkerson has conducted medical missions to Guatemala, Nicaragua, Jamaica and Tanzania. Dr. Wilkerson is excited to begin providing care for patients in the great State of Hawaii.

JORGE G. CAMARA, MD

In Memoriam & Gratitude



Always a pioneer of new surgical procedures, Dr. Camara founded the Camara Eye Center in 1982. He was widely-recognized for his humanitarian work with the Aloha Medical Mission and set the standard for personal patient care.

EST. 1976

ROBERT YOUNG, MD

Emeritus



Dr. Robert Young founded the Eye Center of Hawaii in 1976. Dr. Young served as one of the nation's leading physicians and surgeons. We are fortunate to have him as a leader, mentor and friend.



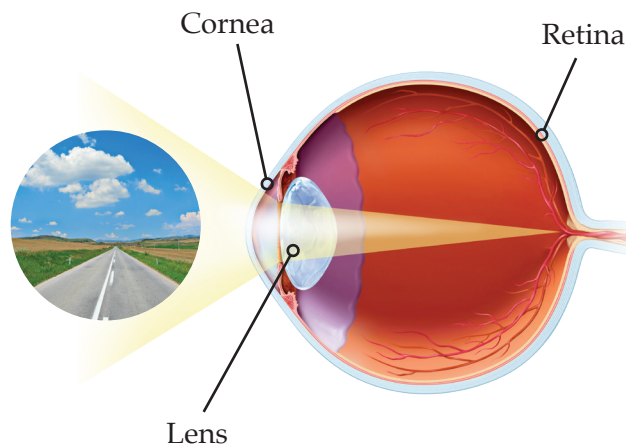
Changes in Your Vision

A common misconception is that a cataract is a “film” that forms over the surface of the eye. A cataract is actually caused by a natural aging process that causes a gradual clouding of your eye’s natural lens. Much like a camera, your eye depends on a clear lens to properly focus images.

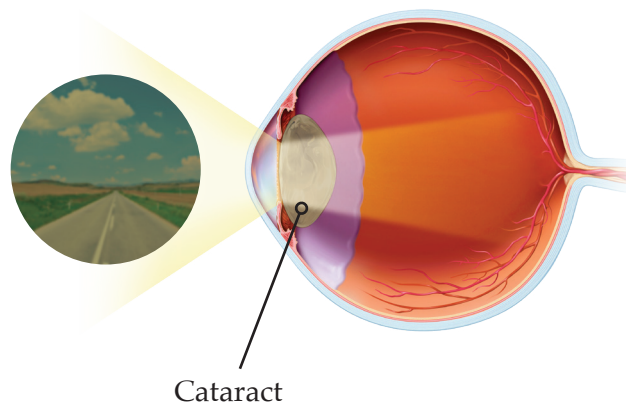
Although cataracts usually develop on their own as part of the natural aging process, there are other factors that may contribute to cataracts developing earlier, or at an accelerated rate. These include:

- ▶ Genetic inheritance
- ▶ Eye injuries
- ▶ Certain diseases (such as diabetes, glaucoma)
- ▶ Smoking
- ▶ Certain medications

HEALTHY EYE



EYE WITH CATARACT



Recognize The Signs And Symptoms

Cataracts typically develop slowly and painlessly over time – in fact, in the early stages, symptoms may be so mild that you may not even realize that your vision is changing. However, as the cataract becomes more dense, you will eventually experience one or more of the following symptoms:

- ▶ Blurry or cloudy vision
- ▶ Your glasses prescription changes often, or no longer works
- ▶ Colors appear dull or washed out
- ▶ Difficulty reading in low light
- ▶ Poor night vision
- ▶ Halos or glare around lights
- ▶ Sensitivity to light

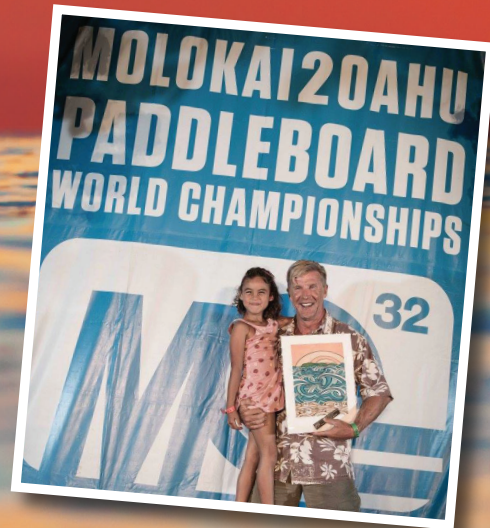


Leading the way in Cataract Correction

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At the age of 46, a paddle board incident changed my vision, causing me to no longer see like I used to. **Knowing the superiority of the LENSAR® technology**, I decided to have LENSAR® cataract surgery myself, which allowed me to regain my best possible vision.”

MIKE BENNETT M.D.



Laser Cataract Surgery Is Now Available



Eye Center of Hawai'i continues to lead the way in cataract surgery technology. This allows our surgeons to plan, customize, and perform your surgery to focus on improving your lifestyle with more visual freedom.



LENSAR
CATARACT LASER WITH AUGMENTED REALITY

This amazing advancement enables precision performance

and provides computer-guided accuracy and consistency. Plus, Eye Center of Hawai'i has options to correct astigmatism while performing your cataract procedure with an advanced intraocular lens and/or with this Laser Cataract surgery using LENSAR® technology.

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STEP ONE

With laser cataract surgery a femtosecond laser is used to make a precise micro-incision in your eye.

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STEP TWO

Through the micro-incision your surgeon will use laser fragmentation to soften the cataract-affected lens and remove it.

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STEP THREE

A flexible lens implant is rolled up and inserted into the eye, and it unfolds into position.

Vision for Your Lifestyle

Once a cataract is removed, an intraocular lens (IOL) will be inserted into its place. With modern advancements in technology, we offer several IOL options that remove your cataracts while also reducing or eliminating your dependence on glasses or contacts.

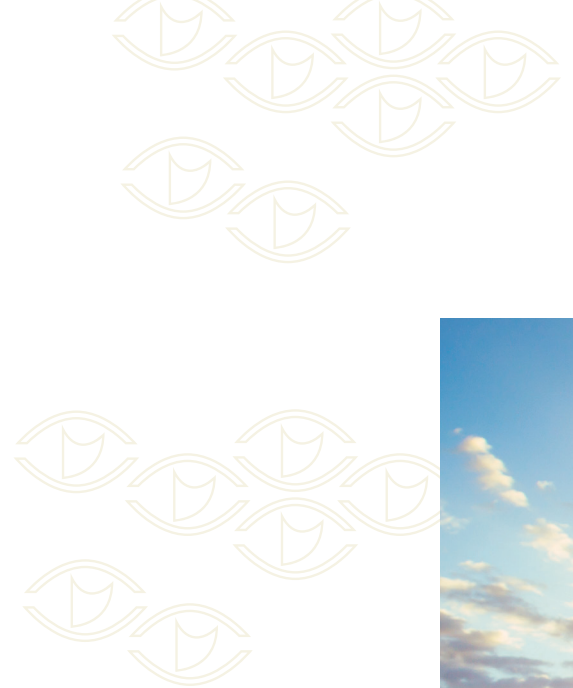
Lifestyle Lens Options

TORIC LENS

A TORIC Lens is designed to correct moderate to high astigmatism and may provide patients with clearer distance vision. You may still require glasses for intermediate and near activities.

MULTIFOCAL LENS

A multifocal or accommodating lens is an implant that can restore your ability to focus on objects at all distances, reducing or eliminating your need for glasses to see near, intermediate and far.



Benefits of Lifestyle Lenses:

- ▶ Reduce or eliminate glasses
- ▶ Regain some of your lost near vision
- ▶ Restore youthful vision
- ▶ Experience vision that matches your lifestyle



Astigmatism Correction

You may have astigmatism and not even know it. Astigmatism is a common condition that is often present along with nearsightedness or farsightedness. Astigmatism occurs when the cornea is irregularly shaped and causes blurred vision at all ranges, from distance to near.

At Eye Center of Hawai'i, we take an active approach to astigmatism correction during your procedure with either LENSAR® laser cataract surgery, or a TORIC Lens implant. Using such amazing technology, we can reduce astigmatism to the lowest levels possible, to provide you with more visual freedom.

ASTIGMATISM



CORRECTED VISION



Your Treatment Options

Based on the distinctive anatomy of your eyes, we will work with you to help you achieve your "personal best" vision. Since no two patients are the same, our surgeons will evaluate your eyes to determine if Laser Cataract Surgery is right for you, and also assess your desired visual outcome and to guide you in determining what treatment option will help you reach your desired visual goals.



ADVANCED

With our Advanced option, we use Laser Cataract Surgery technology to achieve your best vision, while reducing the need for glasses or contacts, at all distances, with a Multifocal lens implant.



CUSTOM

For patients who may benefit from Astigmatism Correction, the Custom option utilizes Laser Cataract Surgery technology, with a TORIC lens implant, to improve distance vision.

Your Questions Answered

WHICH LENS IS BEST FOR ME?

While the characteristics of your eyes certainly play a critical role in lens selection, it's just as important to consider your lifestyle, and the role vision plays in the activities you enjoy. During your evaluation your surgeon will take the time to discuss your options and help you select the lens that will change the way you see the world!

ARE THERE OTHER OPTIONS?

In some cases, new glasses may temporarily improve vision, but there are no medications or exercises that will help cataracts disappear. If cataracts are interfering with your vision, surgery is the answer. With an experienced surgeon, cataract surgery is a safe and effective way to restore your vision.

Will I need to have cataract surgery again?

The lens implant is permanent, offering you a lifetime of good vision. However, some patients over time may experience a clouding of the tissue surrounding the IOL. Should this occur, a laser may be used in an outpatient procedure to painlessly remove the cloudiness and restore clear vision.

When should I have cataract surgery?

The time for surgery is when cataracts are causing problems with vision, affecting your ability to perform activities of daily living in your accustomed manner. The first step in detecting cataracts and determining your need for surgery is through a comprehensive exam with Eye Institute of Hawai'i.



Understanding Your Benefits

Medicare and most insurance plans will consider traditional cataract surgery with a mono-focal lens medically necessary. Deductibles, co-insurance and copays will apply. If you choose Laser Cataract surgery or an Advanced Lens, fees in addition to deductibles, co-insurance and co-pays will apply. Considering the freedom and visual benefits that come with these options, many patients feel the

additional cost is a worthwhile investment for their lifestyle. We offer financing options to help make your choice easier and more affordable.





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