

<p>Is your surgeon a medical doctor (M.D.) whose training was completed at prestigious institutions such as Cleveland Clinic, University of Michigan, Mayo Clinic and Bascom Palmer? Surgical residency training and expertise matters when considering laser vision correction. Also, be sure that your surgeon is not an itinerant surgeon – someone hired by another doctor that travels from another town or state to perform surgery. You should not accept care from an itinerant surgeon or accept traveling to another city, state, or country to have your procedure performed. Ask yourself, “What if I have a complication after surgery?” Since an itinerant surgeon is only an independent contractor hired to perform a service for a practice that does not truly offer laser vision correction, your care will be left to another doctor once the itinerant surgeon fulfills his contracted duties. Therefore, you may not have access to the surgeon that performed your procedure, potentially delaying treatment of a complication and threatening your outcome.</p> <p>At Michigan Eye Institute, you have comfort knowing your surgeon is always accessible, is a member of the MEI team, and that your procedure is performed at one of our state-of-the-art facilities in Flint or Fenton.</p>	Yes	No
<p>Does the surgeon offer 100% blade-free LASIK using Intralase, which has the longest safety track record among blade-free systems, and the latest FDA approved excimer lasers for your treatment such as WaveLight and VISX Star S4 IR? Only the latest generation excimer lasers are more likely to reduce post-operative glare and halos.</p>	Yes	No
<p>Does the center use wavefront analysis such as VISX CustomVue to take measurements of the eye preoperatively and offer wavefront-guided, wavefront-optimized, and topography-guided treatments? These advanced laser treatment algorithms have been shown to reduce post-operative glare and halos.</p>	Yes	No
<p>Does the center provide enhancements, if needed, at no charge? Many centers charge for enhancement procedures or restrict eligibility to 6 months or less. Michigan Eye Institute offers no charge enhancements up to 48 months after the initial procedure.</p>	Yes	No
<p>Does the center measure the size of the patient’s pupils using Colvard pupillometry in order to ensure the appropriate treatment zone is used to avoid post-operative side effects?</p>	Yes	No
<p>Does the practice test for dry eye before the procedure?</p>	Yes	No
<p>Does the surgeon use powderless gloves? (Many doctors do not wear gloves to save money).</p>	Yes	No
<p>Does the center sterilize all the instruments for each eye and use a separate blade (in traditional LASIK) for each eye? (Another cost savings step that is not as safe.)</p>	Yes	No
<p>Does the center take the time to explain complex issues such as monovision, blended vision and presbyopia and how they will affect your vision after age 40?</p>	Yes	No