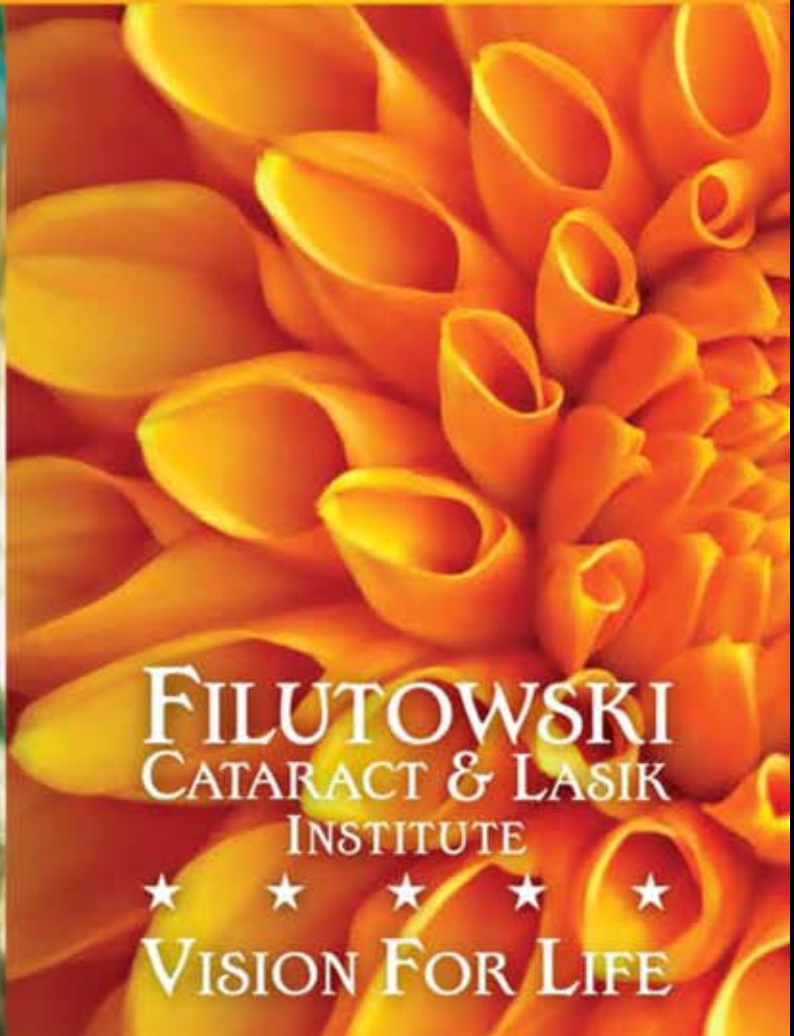


Today's affordable choice
for better vision.

HIGH DEFINITIONSM LASIK

...enjoy the benefits every waking moment!



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VISION FOR LIFE

Life is full of wonderful things

to do and to enjoy, and they all seem to be even better with the freedom of great vision! Today may be the day you make a choice to change your lifestyle forever with High Definition LASIK!

LASIK has been improving vision for more than a decade. Millions of Americans are enjoying the many benefits that LASIK brings. You probably know someone who has had it! When looking for alternatives for better vision, today more than ever before people are choosing LASIK for vision correction.



LASIK has TRULY changed my life and the way I live it! I'm now living every waking moment free of glasses and contacts thanks to Dr. Filutowski and his staff! What are you waiting for?

LT, Radio Personality, WJRR 101.1FM



The many advances in LASIK over the years have made this procedure more precise, safe, and better than ever before. We hope to answer any questions you may have about LASIK. We encourage you to find out if you are a candidate for this life-changing vision correction procedure. At the Filutowski Cataract and LASIK Institute (FCLI), our surgeons, physicians, and highly trained staff dedicate themselves to providing you with the necessary information for you to make an informed decision about your vision goals.

Over 8 million Americans have chosen LASIK to live their dream of reduced dependence on glasses and contact lenses. What about you?



Konrad Filutowski, MD
Founder, Chief Surgeon & Medical Director performing the second step of LASIK on Excimer laser.



Angela Dempsey, MD performs LASIK's first step, creating the flap with Femtosecond laser.

Why do some people need glasses or contacts to see clearly?

Light rays pass through the cornea, the clear outer covering of the eye, and are focused on the retina at the back of the eye. If the cornea is not correctly shaped, the light will not focus properly on the retina. When this happens, the eye has refractive error. This includes nearsightedness, farsightedness and astigmatism. Glasses and contact lenses can correct these refractive errors. The goal of LASIK is to eliminate the need for corrective lenses by reshaping the cornea permanently.

"I wish I would have had LASIK sooner!"

Our patients have told us time and time again, "Why did I wait so long?" and "I wish I would have had LASIK sooner!" Every individual struggles with glasses or contact lenses on a daily basis. There is a multitude of reasons and frustrations that can finally inspire them to find out if they are a good candidate for LASIK.

Perhaps you have reached the point of frustration from lost, broken, scratched and uncomfortable glasses, or from the hassles and irritation to your eyes that contact lenses can cause. Maybe your best four-legged friend decided to turn your designer lenses into a designer dog toy. Perhaps you are just not having as much fun as you could at the beach because of the worry of losing your contact lens while playing in the waves. You may not be enjoying sports or other activities where glasses and contacts simply get in the way.

I can't even remember what it was like to have to deal with contacts and the hassles that went along with them. Everyday, I am thankful for the Filutowski Cataract & LASIK Institute and my GREAT vision!

Jana, Music/Program Director, XL 106.7 Radio
Radio Personality, Magic 107.7 Radio



Top 10 Reasons To Choose FCLI For Your LASIK

1. Dr. Filutowski and Dr. Dempsey are two of Central Florida's most experienced LASIK surgeons with more than 47,000 procedures performed.
2. FCLI is Florida's FIRST and MOST experienced practice utilizing the Femtosecond laser, an all-Flaser approach to LASIK.
3. FCLI's reputation for excellence is far-reaching. Patients, their families and friends have come from around the world specifically to have surgery here.
4. Dr. Filutowski and Dr. Dempsey both train eye surgeons from around the world in LASIK surgery.
5. Dr. Filutowski has been an Affiliate Assistant Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of South Florida College of Medicine, training new doctor residents in eye surgery since 1989. Dr. Dempsey has trained surgeons worldwide to perform LASIK since 1999.
6. Dr. Filutowski and Dr. Dempsey utilize sophisticated software to track, analyze and optimize the outcome of every LASIK procedure.
7. FCLI has invested in multiple advanced technologies to help patients achieve their best possible vision. We carefully select all members of our LASIK Team to ensure optimal patient care and comfort.
8. Our surgeons continually update their skills and knowledge to offer our patients the latest advancements in eye care.
9. Dr. Filutowski is Ivy League educated and Board certified. Dr. Dempsey graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of Tennessee Medical College.
10. FCLI has dedicated itself to the pursuit of **Excellence in Eye Care** and **Vision For Life** in Central Florida for more than 20 years.

Would You Like To:

- See clearly upon waking?
- Reduce your dependence on corrective lenses?
- Feel better about your appearance?
- Enjoy activities such as work, movies, sports and play with new vision freedom that comes with having LASIK?

If you answered **YES** to any of the above, you may be joining our growing family of patients who have decided to make a change with LASIK.

All Laser LASIK, Blade Free LASIK, or SBK (Sub Bowman's Keratomileusis) are all terms used to describe the first step of LASIK where a corneal flap is created with a Femtosecond laser.



The Femtosecond laser is focused at a precise depth within the cornea. Corneal separation is created by close to a million, tiny three-micron bubbles.



The corneal flap is lifted to allow for excimer laser treatment.

One Of The Most Important Days Of Your Life!

It takes only minutes to treat a lifetime of blurry vision. Our patients tell us that the day they had LASIK was "one of the most important days" of their life. Our highly trained LASIK team will strive to make your LASIK procedure as comfortable and stress-free as possible. We will guide you through every step of the procedure. We want you to remember your LASIK day as one of the happiest days of your life, like graduating, purchasing your first home, getting married, or having your first child. LASIK is a memorable moment.

Good Vision Is Priceless, But Affordable!

LASIK can be affordable for almost any budget. We offer great finance options. Some of our patients are paying for LASIK with their Flex Plan Dollars. Check with your employer to see if your company offers a Flex Plan reimbursement account. Our LASIK Counselors will provide you with detailed information regarding our many payment options. We make the financial application process convenient, and you can even pre-qualify online from the convenience of your home or office. Don't hesitate to speak with our LASIK counselor to learn how we can make LASIK affordable for you today!

About LASIK

The success rate for LASIK is excellent. Dr. Filutowski, Dr. Dempsey and the staff at the Filutowski Cataract & LASIK Institute (FCLI) strive to reach the highest level of predictability, precision and patient satisfaction with LASIK. It is important to note that LASIK is a surgical procedure, and as with all surgical procedures, it involves some risk. You can learn more about risks and benefits of LASIK by going to www.FDA.gov, and then search: LASIK.

We offer a complimentary consultation to make a determination if you are in the range for LASIK. To fully know and understand what you can expect from LASIK, our comprehensive Refractive Surgery Exam is recommended. While the majority of patients

qualify for LASIK, there are some exceptions.



You would not be a candidate for LASIK if you are under the age of 18, are pregnant or nursing, or if you have unstable vision, cataracts, advanced glaucoma, disorders that

cause thinning of the cornea, or other corneal or eye diseases.

The good news is that, unlike some LASIK centers that perform only LASIK, FCLI offers a full range of refractive surgery options. For 10% of patients a procedure other than LASIK is a better option!

High Definition LASIK Explained

After having had their own LASIK procedure with us, some of our patients say, "Now I can see in High Definition!" That is why we call the LASIK that we provide at Filutowski Cataract & LASIK Institute - **High Definition** LASIK!

LASIK is a two-step process. In the first step, our doctors create a small hinged flap in the cornea. In the second step, the flap is moved aside to allow for reshaping of the cornea to correct refractive errors.

In the first step, many doctors still use a traditional hand-held surgical instrument with a blade called a microkeratome. Dr. Filutowski and Dr. Dempsey use the Femtosecond laser to create the corneal flap. The Femtosecond laser gives them unprecedented control over the flap's consistency and thickness, and it has a superior record of accuracy, safety, precision and reduced complications compared to the bladed microkeratome. Dr. Filutowski and Dr. Dempsey have been using Femtosecond laser technology since 2002 and were the first surgeons in Florida (and 15th in the world) to offer their patients this blade-free option for LASIK. They have trained other surgeons to use this technology.

In a process that takes less than 15 seconds, the Femtosecond laser FS laser delivers short pulses of light to a precise point within the central layer of the cornea. Each pulse of the laser creates a

Filutowski Cataract & LASIK Institute features a one-of-a-kind LASIK Rotunda.



microscopic bubble of carbon dioxide and water. Instead of using a hand-held surgical blade, thousands of these microscopic bubbles are precisely positioned to create a flap of the exact diameter and thickness for the individual patient. The doctor then lifts the flap aside to begin the second step, reshaping the cornea.

The second step of LASIK corrects the refractive error of the eye. For years, LASIK could only correct standard prescriptions used for glasses or contact lenses. Today, with Wavefront technology, an advancement that Dr. Filutowski and Dr. Dempsey have been using since 2003, they are able to detect and potentially correct more than just standard prescriptions. They can identify tiny visual imperfections called higher order aberrations that are individual to each and every eye. Until the advent of Wavefront technology, it was not possible to measure or correct these visual imperfections.

We also have the ability to utilize Iris Registration technology. The beautifully colored portion of your eye, the iris, is unique to each individual eye. The unique pattern of your iris is already used to identify people for security purposes. Iris Registration helps to align the laser treatment and may improve the outcome for some patients.

After LASIK

Immediately following LASIK, your vision may be somewhat blurry, but it will clear within a short period of time. Some patients may experience mild, temporary side effects after the procedure. Major complications are extremely rare. The majority of our patients see well enough to drive, return to work and resume their normal activities the day following the procedure.

What do I do next?

Once you are ready to find out if you qualify for LASIK, we are only a phone call away! After you have read over our information, visit us online at www.FilutowskiEye.com to learn more. We would like to hear from you. Call us today at 800.EYE.EXAM to schedule your appointment!



Beyond LASIK

LASIK is the best procedure for the majority of patients seeking to achieve independence from glasses or contact lenses. For 10% of our patients other procedures such as PRK, ICL, or RLE may provide greater benefits.

PRK – Photorefractive Keratectomy

PRK is very similar to LASIK; some call it “surface LASIK”. The same laser, the excimer laser, is used to ablate or remove a small amount of tissue from the front of the cornea. This ablation is done just underneath the outer surface of the cornea, called the epithelium. No flap is made, as is done with the LASIK procedure. The visual results are usually the same for both procedures. For many of our patients who do not qualify for LASIK, PRK offers a great option for vision correction.

ICL - Implantable Collamer Lens

ICL is a tiny soft lens which is placed inside the eye, behind the iris. It is capable of correcting a wide range of nearsightedness. ICL can remain implanted for a lifetime. The best candidates for the ICL are those with moderate to severe nearsightedness who are not candidates for LASIK. The ICL is not visible in the eye, nor can it be felt within the eye. ICL is implanted by a small select group of specially trained refractive eye surgeons. Dr. Filutowski is one of the most experienced ICL surgeons in the state of Florida.

RLE- Refractive Lens Exchange

RLE is similar to cataract surgery. With Cataract Surgery the natural lens that has become cloudy is removed and replaced with a lens implant. With RLE the natural lens, which is still clear, is removed and exchanged with a lens implant for refractive purposes. RLE can be a better option than LASIK for those patients with higher degrees of correction, advancing age, and even early cataracts. The good news about having RLE is that following RLE, no cataract can develop. The best news is that we are the FIRST and ONLY practice in our area to utilize a Laser for this procedure.

I NEED READING GLASSES...

Presbyopia and Monovision

Most people over the age of 40 experience presbyopia, a naturally-occurring condition that results in the need for reading glasses. The natural lens of the eye becomes less flexible with age and therefore the patient has difficulty seeing objects at near (closer than arm's length). Such patients are typically corrected with bifocals, progressive lenses, computer glasses or reading glasses. Nearsighted patients, who have always worn glasses for distance vision, may be able to perform near tasks without the use their glasses.

Monovision option allows a presbyopic patient to have both distance and near vision. Usually the dominant eye is set for distance vision, and the non-dominant eye for near vision. Most patients can perform a majority of the activities throughout the day without the need for glasses. Some of our patients, for one reason or another, do not think that they would like Monovision. A demonstration of Monovision is done during the pre-LASIK exam. Most of our patients are surprised with how well Monovision actually works. Life without reading glasses brings great freedom!



NEW! LASER ASSISTED REFRACTIVE CATARACT SURGERY

LASIK And Cataracts

During the pre-LASIK evaluation we sometimes find that patients need cataract surgery, not LASIK. Cataract surgery can restore lost vision and with our exclusive **CLEAR UPGRADE**

most people can read, drive and do just about anything without the need of glasses.

Here is the best NEWS. We are the first in the area to utilize a **NEW** computer guided laser to do most of the manual steps of standard cataract surgery. **Laser Assisted Refractive Cataract Surgery** uses NO BLADES and improves visual results.

Also, LASIK is a great option for those that already have had cataract surgery and still wear glasses.

"When I chose ophthalmology for my life's work, I never dreamed I would be changing the lives of so many people. When I am out in the community I frequently meet someone who is enjoying better vision after being seen at the Institute that bears my name.



The rewards of my life's work are many, but none greater than having improved the vision and lifestyle of my family of patients."

Konrad Filutowski, MD
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