



## **Las Vegas Eye Institute Discusses the Light Adjustable Lens, Offering Cataract Surgery Patients Unmatched Vision Customization**

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Las Vegas Eye Institute is offering cataract surgery patients a new level of precision and control over their vision with the advanced Light Adjustable Lens (LAL). The recently published article, "Light Adjustable Lens Las Vegas," highlights how this FDA-approved technology allows patients to customize their vision after surgery, setting it apart from traditional intraocular lenses. Led by board-certified ophthalmologist and UCLA Refractive Surgery fellowship-trained specialist Dr. Matthew Swanic, the practice is among the select providers in Nevada offering this innovative solution.

The Light Adjustable Lens is designed for patients undergoing cataract surgery or Custom Lens Replacement who want to refine their vision once their eyes have healed. Unlike conventional lenses that have a fixed prescription determined before surgery, the LAL's light-sensitive material enables precise, non-invasive adjustments using targeted ultraviolet (UV) light treatments performed in the office. These sessions, which typically last about 90 seconds, give patients the opportunity to "test drive" different vision settings—whether for distance, intermediate, or near tasks—before locking in their preferred results. This process allows for sharper, more accurate vision and reduces the need for glasses, offering a level of personalization previously

unavailable with fixed-power lenses.

For many patients, the ability to make postoperative adjustments is a significant advantage. Even with advanced preoperative measurements, subtle variations in healing or corneal shape can affect the final outcome of cataract surgery. With the LAL, Dr. Swanic can fine-tune the lens to correct for residual refractive errors such as myopia, hyperopia, and astigmatism, including cases where the degree of astigmatism is only revealed after surgery. This ensures that patients receive vision correction based on their real-world experience, rather than relying solely on pre-surgical estimates.

Astigmatism correction is one of the LAL's most compelling capabilities. In a traditional scenario, a patient might undergo surgery with a toric lens designed to correct less than one diopter of astigmatism based on preoperative corneal measurements, only to find afterward that their refractive astigmatism is higher. In such cases with fixed lenses, further procedures like PRK might be required to address the difference. With the LAL, this is resolved through simple light adjustments after healing, eliminating the need for additional surgery on the cornea.

Dr. Swanic emphasizes that the Light Adjustable Lens not only delivers precision but also involves patients in their own vision correction process. The customization phase begins about three weeks after surgery, once the eye has stabilized. Patients return for a series of adjustment appointments, wearing UV-blocking glasses between visits to protect the lens until the prescription is finalized. The process concludes with two "lock-in" treatments to ensure the lens retains its chosen setting permanently. This step ensures all UV-reactive molecules in the lens are fully utilized, preventing any unintended changes in prescription.

Patient satisfaction rates with the Light Adjustable Lens are notably high. Clinical studies indicate that over 85% of recipients are satisfied with their vision following surgery, and nearly all meet their targeted visual goals. Many patients achieve 20/20 vision or better without glasses, while others opt for blended vision to reduce dependence on corrective eyewear for both near and far tasks. The combination of adjustable technology and Dr. Swanic's surgical expertise has resulted in consistently strong outcomes and improved quality of life for patients.

The recovery process is similar to that of standard cataract surgery, with most patients resuming light activities within a day or two. Adjustments are spaced over several weeks, with vision typically improving at each step. Once the final prescription is set and locked in, patients enjoy long-term stability and clarity without concerns about lighting conditions affecting their sight differently than with other premium lenses.

Dr. Swanic's credentials and experience in advanced lens technologies make him a trusted choice for patients seeking the highest level of cataract care. His approach combines meticulous surgical technique with personalized treatment planning, ensuring each patient receives the outcome that best fits their visual needs.

and lifestyle. By bringing the Light Adjustable Lens to Las Vegas, Las Vegas Eye Institute is expanding access to one of the most advanced vision correction options available today.

For reporters covering advancements in ophthalmology or patient-centered medical technology, the introduction of the Light Adjustable Lens to the Las Vegas area presents a compelling story about how precision medicine is transforming cataract surgery. Patients interested in learning more about whether they are candidates for the Light Adjustable Lens can schedule a consultation with Las Vegas Eye Institute to discuss their options. With this technology, vision correction is no longer a one-size-fits-all approach?it is a personalized process that gives patients greater control over their outcomes and a clearer future.

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