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## **Dr. Steven Tersigni's WCRS Board Certification Sets a New Standard in LASIK Care**

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Tersigni Vision is drawing attention to a critical credential that sets its founder, Dr. Steven Tersigni, apart in the field of refractive surgery. As highlighted in the newly published article "Why It Matters That Dr. Tersigni Is Portland's Only WCRS Board-Certified LASIK Surgeon", Dr. Tersigni is the only surgeon in the Portland area certified by the World College of Refractive Surgery & Visual Sciences (WCRS)—a global organization redefining what excellence means in LASIK and other vision correction procedures.

Unlike traditional ophthalmology certifications, WCRS board certification is focused solely on refractive surgery. It was created to fill a long-standing gap in medical credentialing: the absence of a recognized specialty designation for surgeons who specialize in procedures such as LASIK, PRK, SMILE, EVO ICL, and refractive lens exchange. While many surgeons offer LASIK as part of a broader ophthalmology practice, WCRS certification signals a higher level of training, surgical volume, and peer-reviewed excellence that prospective patients can rely on when making decisions about permanent vision correction.

As the WCRS explains in its publication *Is It Time for Refractive Surgery to Become Its Own Specialty?*, uncorrected refractive error remains the leading cause of visual impairment worldwide, surpassing even

cataracts. Despite that, refractive surgery is not yet formally recognized as its own medical specialty, and few benchmarks exist to help patients evaluate a surgeon's specific experience in this area. WCRS was founded to change that. Its certification process is rigorous, including case documentation, academic involvement, oral examination, and ongoing education. For patients, this offers a rare level of transparency and assurance in a field where outcomes and safety are directly tied to surgical experience.

Dr. Tersigni's inclusion in this globally vetted group of surgeons reflects a long-standing commitment to refractive surgery—not as an occasional procedure, but as the core of his daily clinical practice. At Tersigni Vision, the focus is exclusively on helping patients achieve visual freedom through advanced, data-driven refractive procedures. Dr. Tersigni's board certification confirms his expertise across the full spectrum of modern vision correction techniques and his ongoing investment in the safest, most effective surgical options available today.

The article "Why It Matters That Dr. Tersigni Is Portland's Only WCRS Board-Certified LASIK Surgeon" emphasizes the practical value of this credential for patients. As refractive technology evolves, patients are increasingly presented with a wide range of options—each with its own indications, benefits, and trade-offs. From LASIK to EVO ICL and custom lens replacement, selecting the right solution is a complex process that depends on both accurate diagnostics and the surgeon's ability to match each patient's anatomy and goals with the appropriate technology. That level of clinical decision-making is exactly what WCRS certification is designed to validate.

In another WCRS publication, *Reimagining, Rethinking, and Reinventing Refractive Surgery*, the organization describes a new era of innovation, outcomes research, and procedural precision. Dr. Tersigni's practice reflects that philosophy in full. His approach to refractive care is not transactional or one-size-fits-all—it's comprehensive, personalized, and backed by global standards that few surgeons in the United States currently meet.

For patients in Portland who are researching vision correction options, Dr. Tersigni's WCRS certification serves as a clear and meaningful differentiator. While any licensed ophthalmologist can offer LASIK, few pursue the depth of specialization required for board certification by the World College of Refractive Surgery & Visual Sciences. That distinction is particularly important in today's refractive landscape, where treatment decisions often extend beyond LASIK into a wide array of lens-based and corneal procedures that require advanced training and judgment.

Reporters and editors covering developments in medical certification, patient care transparency, or elective surgical trends may find Dr. Tersigni's board certification a compelling lens through which to examine broader shifts in how surgical quality is defined and communicated. As refractive surgery continues to expand in scope and popularity, the need for clear, specialty-specific credentialing becomes more urgent. WCRS is

helping to lead that change, and Dr. Tersigni's ongoing certification places him on the front lines of that movement—not only as a provider, but as an advocate for higher standards across the field.

Tersigni Vision encourages patients and journalists alike to explore what WCRS board certification means, how it differs from traditional pathways, and why it matters in a market saturated with providers. This is not a newly announced credential—it's a quietly powerful one that has guided the care Dr. Tersigni has offered for years. The goal now is simply to ensure that those seeking vision correction have access to the information that can help them make the best, safest choice for their long-term vision.

To read the full article, learn more about Dr. Tersigni's approach to care, or schedule a consultation, visit [www.tersignivision.com](http://www.tersignivision.com).

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