ilumin Eye Care Center Offers Same-Day Bilateral Cataract Surgery in Omaha, Nebraska

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ilumin Eye Care Center, an ophthalmology practice located in Omaha, Nebraska, offers same-day bilateral cataract surgery, also known as immediately sequential bilateral cataract surgery or ISBCS, to patients across the greater Omaha metro area. The practice's board-certified ophthalmologists perform bilateral cataract procedures in accordance with safety protocols from the International Society of Bilateral Cataract Surgeons. A recent educational article published by the practice, "Is Same-Day Cataract Surgery on Both Eyes Safe in Omaha?", reviews the clinical research on ISBCS safety and refractive outcomes and describes the surgical protocols ilumin Eye Care Center follows when performing both procedures on the same day.

Patients throughout Omaha, Council Bluffs, Bellevue, and Papillion seeking cataract surgery have access to same-day bilateral procedures at ilumin Eye Care Center. Dr. Peter Simone and Dr. Brandon Menke, both board-certified ophthalmologists at the practice, perform bilateral cataract surgery in a QUADA Class A accredited surgery suite in Omaha, treating each eye as a fully independent surgical procedure. The protocol requires separate sterile instrument sets, drapes, gloves, and gowns for each eye, with pharmaceutical agents including antibiotics, dilating drops, and anesthetics sourced from different manufacturer lot numbers to address the risk of batch contamination. Surgeons re-scrub and re-gown between the two procedures, and

the practice uses biometry and corneal measurement technology to determine IOL power for each eye independently.

The educational article referenced above cites several large-scale clinical registries relevant to Omaha patients considering ISBCS. The Swedish National Cataract Register analyzed 92,238 ISBCS procedures from 2002 to 2017 and reported an endophthalmitis rate of 0.0152 percent for same-day bilateral surgery, compared with 0.0299 percent for single-eye surgery. The United Kingdom's Royal College of Ophthalmologists National Ophthalmology Database, covering more than 1.35 million operations, recorded zero endophthalmitis cases among 2,315 ISBCS patients. A September 2025 study from Moorfields Eye Hospital presented at the European Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons found that 85 percent of bilateral multifocal patients achieved 20/20 or better vision, compared with 77 percent for patients whose procedures were completed on separate days. ilumin Eye Care Center applies the same evidence-based protocols cited in these registries to every bilateral case performed in Omaha.

"The endophthalmitis data from the Swedish and UK cataract registries reflects the protocols our team follows for every bilateral cataract case at ilumin Eye Care Center in Omaha," said Dr. Brandon Menke, MD, board-certified ophthalmologist at ilumin Eye Care Center. "Treating each eye as a completely independent procedure, with separate instrument sets and pharmaceuticals, is what supports same-day bilateral cataract surgery as a clinically sound option for appropriately screened patients. Not every patient is a candidate, and the preoperative evaluation is where that determination is made based on individual eye anatomy, medical history, and clinical risk factors."

Dr. Menke earned his medical degree from the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine and completed his ophthalmology residency at Palmetto Health?University of South Carolina School of Medicine. He also completed a Doris Duke Clinical Research Fellowship in retinal regeneration and has published peer-reviewed research on retinal tissue restoration. Dr. Menke serves as Adjunct Assistant Professor of Oculoplastic Surgery at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Beyond cataract surgery, ilumin Eye Care Center provides glaucoma treatment, retinal care, diabetic eye care, and comprehensive eye exams to patients in Omaha and the surrounding region. Patients considering same-day bilateral cataract surgery at ilumin Eye Care Center undergo a preoperative evaluation that includes corneal mapping and lens measurements to determine whether the approach is clinically appropriate. When individual risk factors indicate sequential-day scheduling is the better path, the practice's surgeons discuss that alternative during the consultation in Omaha.

ilumin Eye Care Center is located at 16820 Frances Street, Suite 100, Omaha, NE 68130, and serves patients throughout Omaha, Council Bluffs, Bellevue, Papillion, and the surrounding communities. The practice's Lakeside office in west Omaha is accessible from Interstate 680 and West Dodge Road, placing

cataract surgery within reach of patients traveling from across the Omaha metro area. Driving directions from central Omaha to the practice are available online.

For more information about same-day bilateral cataract surgery at ilumin Eye Care Center in Omaha, visit ilumineyes.com or view the practice's Google Business Profile. ilumin Eye Care Center continues to offer cataract care in Omaha, including preoperative evaluations to determine candidacy for same-day bilateral procedures and sequential-day alternatives when individual clinical factors warrant that approach.

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