Carrot LASIK & Eye Center Outlines How to Evaluate a LASIK Surgeon in Mesa, Arizona

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Carrot LASIK & Eye Center, a LASIK surgeon practice located in Mesa, Arizona, has published patient education guidance on the credentials and training pathways that distinguish refractive surgeons. The veteran-owned practice has two principal surgeons whose training includes military medical centers known for high-volume surgical caseloads and rigorous outcome standards. The guidance appears in the article "What Credentials Should You Look for in a LASIK Surgeon in Mesa?", which addresses board certification, fellowship designations, surgical volume, technology proficiency, and verification resources for patients evaluating refractive surgery providers.

Patients throughout Mesa, Scottsdale, Tempe, Chandler, and Gilbert have access to LASIK surgery, SMILE eye surgery, PRK, EVO ICL, and Refractive Lens Exchange at Carrot LASIK & Eye Center. The practice's laser vision correction program serves residents across the broader Phoenix metro area and uses ZEISS VisuMax femtosecond laser technology for SMILE procedures and LASIK flap creation. Refractive surgery candidates undergo wavefront-guided diagnostics during their consultation in Mesa. The article notes that high surgical volume across a range of prescription types and patient profiles is a meaningful indicator of refractive surgeon expertise.

The article also describes how military-trained ophthalmologists often gain surgical experience under high-volume conditions and rigorous outcome standards, particularly through programs that serve active-duty personnel with strict visual acuity requirements. Matthew Hammond, M.D., served nine years on active duty as an Army ophthalmologist, including a tenure as Chief of Ophthalmology and Director of Warfighter Refractive Surgery at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany. Michael Herion, M.D., currently holds the rank of Lt. Colonel in the United States Air Force Reserve and received the Air Force Commendation Medal for service during the Global War on Terror. Both surgeons are board-certified by the American Board of Ophthalmology and Fellows of the World College of Refractive Surgery, and both are 2026 Castle Connolly Top Doctor recipients. Dr. Hammond has received the Castle Connolly designation for 14 consecutive years.

"Military ophthalmology programs like the Warfighter Refractive Eye Surgery Program work with active-duty personnel whose careers depend on meeting specific visual acuity requirements," said Michael Herion, M.D., board-certified ophthalmologist, retina fellowship-trained surgeon, and Fellow of the World College of Refractive Surgery at Carrot LASIK & Eye Center. "That environment produces a particular kind of surgical discipline. It carries over into how Dr. Hammond and I approach every refractive case at the Mesa practice."

Dr. Hammond echoed that connection between military service and clinical practice. "Carrot was built on values learned in military service: precision, accountability, and taking care of people," said Matthew Hammond, M.D., board-certified ophthalmologist, Fellow of the World College of Refractive Surgery, and co-founder of Carrot LASIK & Eye Center. "Both Dr. Herion and I served, and that commitment to service shapes how Carrot LASIK & Eye Center cares for patients across Mesa, Scottsdale, Tempe, Chandler, and Gilbert."

The article further outlines how patients can independently verify a surgeon's credentials through the American Board of Ophthalmology directory, the Arizona Medical Board license verification system, and professional society membership lists. Carrot LASIK & Eye Center holds Joint Commission National Quality Approval, which requires meeting third-party quality and safety standards. The article notes that patients are encouraged to ask surgeons about board certification, total procedures performed, complication rates, the specific technology used, and policies for enhancement procedures during their consultation.

Carrot LASIK & Eye Center is located at 1500 S Dobson Road, Suite 313, in Mesa, Arizona, and serves patients across Mesa, Scottsdale, Tempe, Chandler, and Gilbert. Driving directions to the practice from across the Phoenix metro area are available online. The practice's location near the Loop 202 and US 60 interchange supports access for patients traveling from elsewhere in the region.

For more information about LASIK surgery and refractive procedures at Carrot LASIK & Eye Center in Mesa, additional information is available at carroteyecenter.com, and practice location details appear on the Google Business Profile. The practice publishes patient education resources covering credential verification, surgical experience, and evaluation criteria for refractive surgery providers throughout Arizona.

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Carrot LASIK & Eye Center led by Dr. Matthew Hammond and Dr. Michael Herion, offers vision correction procedures like LASIK, PRK, RLE, and EVO ICL, and treats medical conditions such as glaucoma and contact lens intolerance.

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