

UCSF Laser Vision Center



UCSF Medical Center

Our Surgeons



DIRECTOR, UCSF LASER
VISION CENTER
DIRECTOR, CORNEA AND
REFRACTIVE SURGERY
SERVICE
PROFESSOR OF
OPHTHALMOLOGY

David G. Hwang, M.D., FACS, graduated first in his medical school class at UCSF, then pursued residency training at UCSF in internal medicine and ophthalmology. He completed subspecialty training in cornea, refractive surgery, and uveitis at the Doheny Eye Institute, where he was a co-investigator in one of the first U.S. excimer laser trials. Since joining the full-time UCSF faculty in 1990, Dr. Hwang has led several FDA clinical trials of LASIK and other refractive procedures and has authored numerous textbooks and articles in cornea and refractive surgery. He is Professor of Ophthalmology, Director of the Laser Vision Center, and Medical Director of Ophthalmology at UCSF.



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Stephen D. McLeod, M.D., is Chairman of the UCSF Department of Ophthalmology. He specializes in both refractive surgery and corneal disease and has published extensively in these areas. He is the American Academy of Ophthalmology's Chair for the Preferred Practice Pattern (PPP) Panel on Refractive Surgery. Currently, he serves as a consultant to the Ophthalmic Devices Panel of the FDA where he reviews the performance of existing technologies as well as applications for new refractive surgery devices. He also serves on the editorial board of the American Medical Association's journal for ophthalmology research, *Archives of Ophthalmology*.

Our Experience

UCSF surgeons were among the first U.S. surgeons to perform PRK and LASIK surgery under FDA-sponsored clinical trial protocols. Since then, UCSF surgeons have safely and successfully treated thousands of patients, enabling them to reduce or eliminate their need for glasses or contact lenses. Our center's LASIK surgeons are board-certified, fellowship-trained ophthalmologists who are nationally recognized leaders in the field.

“LASIK surgery has given me the freedom to fully enjoy my daily activities and outdoor pursuits, such as rafting, camping and swimming, without the confinement of glasses. It was also a quick procedure – I had improved vision within two days after surgery and clear vision after one week.”

– J. L., Surgeon

Our Approach

Conditions Treated

- Nearsightedness (*myopia*)
- Farsightedness (*hyperopia*)
- Astigmatism (*blurring of objects at all distances*)
- Presbyopia (*need for reading glasses*)

Treatment

- Wavefront, custom LASIK
- Bladeless, all-laser LASIK
- LASIK for severe degrees of nearsightedness, farsightedness and astigmatism
- Lens implant technology to reduce the need for reading glasses
- Management of problems after previous LASIK surgery
- Second opinion consultations for LASIK surgery

Schedule a Consultation

UCSF surgeons will only recommend surgery only after a very careful evaluation. During the consultation process, your eyes will be examined and dilated, and specialized tests will be performed. Your surgeon will discuss your findings with you and formulate an individualized recommendation plan. During the consultation, you will also learn about how to prepare for your surgery, as well as what to expect after surgery. If you are a good candidate and decide to schedule your LASIK within 90 days, the consult fee will be applied in full to your surgical fee.



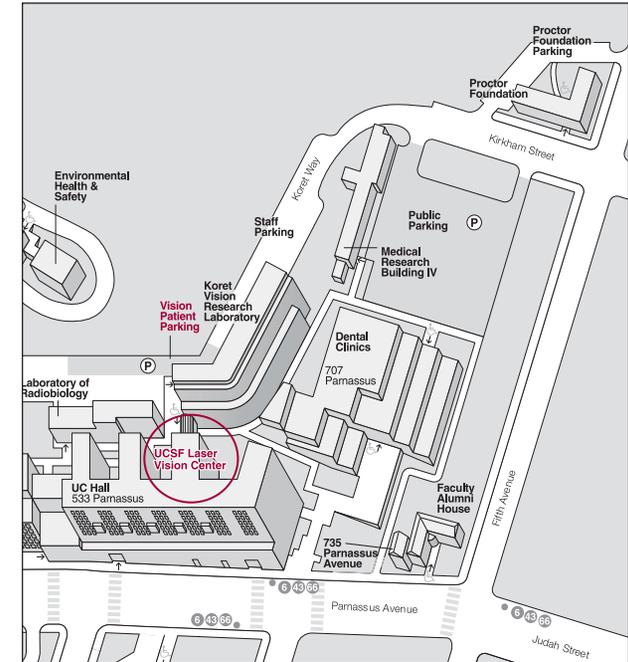
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Our Mission

The Laser Vision Center at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) is a leading institution of excellence for performing vision correction surgery such as LASIK and photorefractive keratectomy (PRK). Our mission is to provide the highest standard of surgical care using the latest techniques and instruments, to advance the field of refractive surgery through research, and to provide patients with individualized and unbiased recommendations regarding the best available surgical and non-surgical vision correction treatment options.

Our Fees

UCSF offers competitive fees for surgery that cover the pre-operative evaluation, the surgery itself, and follow-up visits for six months. Financing options are available. Individuals with flexible spending accounts may choose to offset the cost of surgery by using pre-tax dollars for LASIK. Special rates are available to UCSF staff and students and their immediate family members, as well as to members of certain vision plans. For more information on fees, call 415-353-2020 or visit www.ucsfilaservision.com.



How to Find Us

The UCSF Laser Vision Center is located at 8 Koret Way (near 4th Avenue) on the UCSF Parnassus campus, inside the Beckman Vision Center in room U519. The Center is accessible via the N-Judah MUNI and bus routes 6, 66, and 43. Parking is available in the lot immediately adjacent to the Center on Koret Way. (Please note that Koret Way is the continuation of Kirkham Street at 4th Avenue).

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