

Patient Guide to Cataract Surgery at Newcastle Eye Hospital

The Only *Exclusive* Eye Hospital in the Hunter Valley licensed
with The Department of Health

*Big enough for any ophthalmic problem.
Small enough to care!*



NEWCASTLE EYE HOSPITAL

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Why choose Newcastle Eye Hospital

One. We are the **Only exclusive Eye Hospital in the Hunter Valley licensed with the Department of Health.** This means that we only do eye surgery.

Two. Our **Surgeons** are **World Leaders in Cataract Surgery and Retinal Surgery**, with recent publications in leading journals.

Three. Our **Surgeons** are **invited speakers** to Ophthalmology conferences.

Four. We can **handle any eye problem.** This is because our surgeons have additional retinal surgery training. This means you will **not** need to be transferred to another hospital if a complexity arises.

Five. We invest in the **latest technology.**

Six. We have agreements with health funds to **minimise** your costs.

Seven. We are actively engaged in **Ophthalmic Research** through the Newcastle Eye Hospital Research Foundation.

What happens **at your** **1st appointment with** **your Ophthalmologist?**

One. Bring a driver with you as we will need to dilate your eyes.

Two. Our highly trained and friendly clinic staff will;

- + Ask about your medical history.
- + Check your current medications.
- + Perform painless eye tests and scans.

Three. Have a comprehensive briefing on;

- + What are Cataracts?
- + What is Cataract Surgery?

Four. Now it's time to see your Ophthalmologist, who will conduct further tests and discuss the findings with you.

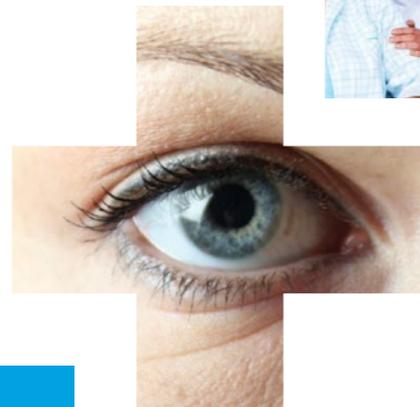
Five. If surgery is decided to be the right option, the Doctor will discuss this with you.

Note: To plan your visit, set aside 2 hours for your first appointment.

Your Surgery In Safe Hands

- + Occasionally cataract surgery can be complex, but you can be reassured knowing that our surgeons **can fix any problem** onsite. This is because we have vitreo-retinal surgeons, and we are able to offer retinal support around the clock. Most other facilities offering eye surgery are not equipped for retinal surgery.
- + Why are we different? Our surgeons are **world class cataract surgeons** and leaders in the field of eye surgery, and perform thousands of operations every year.

“What’s that mean for you?”
“You are in safe hands ”



Your 7 steps to Successful Cataract Surgery

One. Ask your Optometrist for a **referral**.

Two. Make an **Appointment** by calling us on **4967 6677** or emailing **appointments@newcastleeyehospital.com.au**

Three. Have your **First Assessment** with the Eye Surgeon.

Four. Your **Optional Second Assessment** with our Personal Cataract Consultant who makes sure you and your family understand your choices.

Five. Your **Surgery Day**.

Six. Your **Post-Operative Care Visits** scheduled at times convenient to you.

Seven. You are then transferred back to your **Optometrist** for **continuing care**.

Your Choices

Your own preferred lens customised to your eye, suited to your lifestyle. For example, Sports Vision, Reading/Craft Vision. We tailor to your individual needs.

Your own personal cataract consultant, for you to call with any concerns or questions you may have.

Your preference of Surgeon.

Customised Appointments and Surgical Dates.

Surgery through the Public System, or at Newcastle Eye Hospital.

Our Doctors

Dr Peter Davies
FRANZCO, MPH, MBBS (Syd)

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