

Activity Description and Educational Objectives

This webinar will reevaluate best practices in caring for patients undergoing cataract surgery during the COVID-19 pandemic, including alterations to workflows, patient counseling, and postsurgical management.

As a result of watching this live webinar, participants should be able to:

- Reevaluate patient waiting room and COVID-19 testing policies
- Reduce the risk of COVID-19 spread in and out of the office
- Ease vaccine hesitancy among medical staff
- Better counsel patients and simplify postsurgical patient care
- Optimize patients' and clinicians' time by strategic use of telemedicine

Target Audience

This activity has been designed to meet the educational needs of cataract surgeons

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Requirements for successful completion: Certificates are awarded upon successful completion (80% proficiency) of the post-test.

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