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## **Get to know Medical Science Liaison, Dr. Jeffrey Rapp, who serves patients in Boca Raton, Florida.**

Jeffrey is a Medical Science Liaison at the Aker Kasten Eye Center, one of the leading cataract and laser vision practices in the country. His primary role is to provide patients with education, information, and guidance in the decision-making process regarding the elective nature of cataract surgery.

Serving as Director of Patient Education and Intraocular Lens Selection, his duties and responsibilities include: Contacting, educating, and advising new and returning patients (~2000 surgeries annually) about the various surgical options and Intraocular lenses that are available for their given ocular anatomy and desired outcomes; serving as the first point of contact for all new incoming cataract consultation patients; maintaining records, preferences, and needs of patients for reference by clinical and surgical staff; assisting surgeons with final patient consultation of IOL selection; coordinating with fellow surgical staff to ensure appropriate measurements and calculations of IOL selection; communicating regularly with intraocular lens and laser manufacturers with regard to current and new products and their applications to patients; assisting surgeons with YAG laser procedures following cataract surgery.

The Aker Kasten Eye Center has been designated as a Center of Excellence for all aspects of medical eye care, and more specifically, laser cataract surgery. Services range from comprehensive vision care and sophisticated eye surgery to routine medical eye exams – all delivered by certified eye physicians, with the personal attention and compassionate care each patient deserves.

With regards to his educational background, Jeffrey graduated with his Bachelor of Science degree from Ithaca College in 2012. He then went on to earn his Master of Science degree from Springfield College in 2014, after which he completed his Doctor of Philosophy degree in Exercise Physiology. Through multiple points of contact and a genuine desire to assist patients in creating the most optimal outcome, Jeffrey plays an important role with his patients in taking their surgical experience to the next level.

His optimism, outgoing personality, and sincere advice are greatly welcomed by patients both over the phone and in person. During the selection of IOLs and surgical techniques, the primary focus will always be that the patients' needs come first. "Medical Science Liaison" (MSL) is a specific role within the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, medical device, CRO and other healthcare industries. They concentrate on specific therapeutic areas (e.g. oncology, cardiology, CNS, hematology, women's health care) and disease states (e.g. rheumatoid arthritis, cardiovascular disease, diabetes). MSLs have advanced scientific training and academic credentials generally consisting of a doctorate degree (PhD, PharmD or MD) in the life sciences.