



## LASIK STUDY: CONFIRMING THE SAFETY OF iLASIK

### STUDY OVERVIEW:

i. Study Overview: The leading eye surgeons of Willis-Falkenberg Eyecare are currently conducting a clinical study on the safety and efficacy of FDA-approved laser technology known as IntraLase. This Femtosecond laser technology is used during the initial step of the LASIK procedure to create a thin cornea flap. IntraLase is the first company of its kind to develop this laser technology, which is designed to not only replace the mechanical device used in conventional LASIK, but to also make LASIK safer and more precise.

II. This limited clinical study will monitor the results of our custom LASIK procedure using IntraLase. Dr. Falkenberg, Dr. Jani and our staff will be monitoring post-operative healing, patient comfort, overall patient safety, final refractive outcome (visual result) and overall patient satisfaction. Results from this study will be compared to conventional 'bladed' technology on LASIK patients using a mechanical device known as a microkeratome. The study will involve patient evaluation, examination and input at the following intervals:

1. All pre-operative visits
2. 1 week or 1 month post-operative visit
3. 3-4 month post-operative visit
4. 9-12 month post-operative visit

III. To qualify for this clinical study, you must be above age 21, have naturally occurring myopia, hyperopia or astigmatism, have had no previous eye surgery, have generally healthy corneas and be willing to complete all pre and post-operative office visits.

IV. All qualified candidates in this study will receive a complimentary upgrade to IntraLase<sup>®</sup>, a savings of \$500 (\$250 per eye).

V. The length of our initial Clinical Study on IntraLase will be limited to the first 200 patients who qualify. All potential candidates will receive a complimentary comprehensive LASIK evaluation to determine their candidacy.\*

VI. The normal 'Informed Consent' process and patient education applies to Study candidates as well, and they will be required to sign standard patient consent forms used for conventional LASIK patients. The list of standard risks, complications and side effects associated with standard LASIK apply to Study candidates as well.

\*Patients who are candidates for LASIK, but choose not to participate in the study will be charged for their exam.