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   • customized treatment with advanced 3D imaging
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Q. What is the CATALYS® Laser?
A. The CATALYS® Precision Laser System is used for patients undergoing cataract surgery for removal of the crystalline lens. It is used to perform anterior capsulotomy, phacofragmentation, and creation of corneal incisions.

Q. Am I a suitable candidate for laser cataract surgery?
A. If you are a cataract patient, you may be a suitable candidate for laser cataract surgery. You should not have laser cataract surgery if you have certain pre-existing corneal problems or eye implants; or if you are younger than 22 years of age. You must be able to lie flat on your back and motionless during the procedure. You must be able to tolerate local or topical anesthesia. Tell your doctor if you are taking any medications such as alpha blockers (like Flomax® to treat an enlarged prostate) as these medications may affect how the doctor does the cataract surgery. Your doctor will discuss your candidacy in more detail during your cataract evaluation exam.
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Q. How long has the procedure been performed?
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Q. What can I expect on the day of surgery and during recovery?
A. Cataract surgery usually takes less than 30 minutes. The CATALYS® Laser portion usually take just a few minutes. Most normal activities except for strenuous activities, need not be restricted following cataract surgery. Your sight may continue to improve for several days or weeks after treatment. Complications associated with the CATALYS® System include mild broken blood vessels or redness on the white part of your eye, which may last for a few weeks. Other potential risks associated with cataract surgery may occur. These risks may include but are not limited to corneal swelling and/or abrasion, lens capsular tear, infection, inflammation, eye discomfort, reduced vision. Talk to your doctor regarding all the potential risks associated with these procedures.

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