

MASTER SURGEON IN OPHTHALMOLOGY

In partnership with key opinion leaders and industry professionals, SRC developed the Master Surgeon in Ophthalmology (MSOPH) program. The MSOPH program identifies surgeons who provide excellent ophthalmology surgeries and are dedicated to continuously improving healthcare quality and patient safety.



PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

1. SURGICAL EXPERIENCE

The applicant ophthalmologist has served as the primary ophthalmologist for at least 300 ophthalmology surgeries annually and has performed at least 1000 surgeries in their lifetime. Applicants perform each surgical procedure in a standardized manner and use a template for operative note dictation to ensure proper data collection for surgical procedures.

2. EQUIPMENT AND INSTRUMENTS

The applicant surgeon performs ophthalmology surgery in a facility that has a full line of equipment and surgical instruments to provide appropriate perioperative care for their patients. The applicant's facility must have documented training for appropriate staff in the safe operation of this equipment.

3. SURGEON DEDICATION

The applicant surgeon has privileges in ophthalmology surgery at the facility, is board-certified or an active candidate for board certification in their surgical specialty and has call coverage. Each applicant completes at least 12 hours of CME focused on ophthalmology surgery every three years.

4. CLINICAL PATHWAYS AND STANDARDIZED OPERATING PROCEDURES

The applicant formally develops and implements clinical pathways that facilitate the standardization of perioperative care for ophthalmology surgery procedures. The applicant surgeon performs each surgical procedure in a standardized manner and uses a template for operative note dictation that ensures proper collection of data for surgical procedures.

5. SURGICAL TEAM AND SUPPORT STAFF

The applicant surgeon performs surgery at a facility that has nurses and/or physician extenders who provide education to an operative team trained to care for ophthalmology surgery patients supported by regular in-services. The applicant surgeon has documented education to support staff on how to care for their specific patients.

6. PATIENT EDUCATION

The applicant surgeon must provide all ophthalmology surgery patients with comprehensive preoperative patient education, have a process for obtaining informed surgical consent and selecting procedures that are most appropriate for each patient's condition.

7. CONTINUOUS QUALITY ASSESSMENT

All applicant surgeons must collect outcomes data on all patients who undergo Ophthalmology surgery procedures in SRC's Outcomes Database (or a similar qualifying database).

This is a summarized list of program requirements which is subject to change. For additional information, please contact SRC by emailing businessdevelopment@surgicalreview.org or calling 919.438.2156