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DAVID J. TANZER, M.D.

TLC Laser Eye Centers, La Jolla
Laser Vision Correction Specialist

"In my past experience performing surgery in the military, I have had the privilege of caring for hundreds of aviators, divers and special operations personnel who place themselves in dynamic environments on a routine basis. It has been extremely gratifying to assist these individuals by improving their ability to function as they expose themselves to unique situations. In fact, I have had the privilege of treating and then flying with the first F/A-18 Hornet pilot to have refractive surgery and who then landed on an aircraft carrier. As we flew toward the ship that night, he relayed to me that he had never seen the carrier and the landing lights better. I took great pride in that fact, not only because I was in the jet at the time, but because I had provided a service that improved his ability to perform this visually demanding task."

- DAVID J. TANZER, M.D.

Dr. Tanzer began his training nearby at the University of California at Santa Barbara, receiving bachelors degrees in both Pharmacology and Biopsychology. From this beginning, Dr. Tanzer went on to medical school at Georgetown University and then completed his internship and residency at the Naval Medical Center in San Diego, as well as a fellowship in cornea transplant and refractive surgery at the University of Southern California's Dohney Eye Institute. Board certified by the American Board of Ophthalmology in 1998, Dr. Tanzer also completed Naval Flight Surgeon Training and was with the Marine Corps Air Station in El Toro, California.

Actively involved in Ophthalmology, Dr. Tanzer holds active membership in the American Academy of Ophthalmology, American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons, Association for Research and Vision in Ophthalmology, the Society of United States Naval Flight Surgeons, as well as other local and state medical societies. He is also on the Board of Directors for the San Diego Eye Bank.

Additionally, Dr. Tanzer is currently a staff physician at the Naval Medical Center in San Diego and is pleased to have joined TLC Laser Eye Centers to provide his patients with the latest advancements in laser vision correction.

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Biography

EDUCATION & TRAINING

- 1984 Bachelor of Arts, Pharmacology, Cum Laude
University of California, Santa Barbara
- 1985 Bachelor of Science, Biopsychology, Summa Cum Laude
University of California, Santa Barbara
- 1990 Doctor of Medicine - Georgetown University Medical School,
1990-1991 Transitional Internship
Naval Medical Center, San Diego, CA
- 1994-1997 Resident, Ophthalmology - Naval Medical Center, San Diego, CA

FELLOWSHIP

- 1997-1998 Fellow, Cornea, External Disease, Refractive Surgery
University of Southern California, Doheny Eye Institute, Los Angeles, CA

BOARD CERTIFICATION

- 1998 American Board of Ophthalmology

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

- Member, Aerospace Medical Association
- Fellow, American Academy of Ophthalmology
- Member, American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons
- Member, Association for Research and Vision in Ophthalmology
- Member, International Society of Refractive Surgery
- Member, San Diego County Ophthalmologic Society
- Member, San Diego Eye Bank
- Member, Society of Military Ophthalmologists
- Member, Society of United States Naval Flight Surgeons

APPOINTMENTS

- Lasik Eye Surgeon - TLC Laser Eye Centers, La Jolla (2005)
- Surgical Director - Navy Refractive Surgery Center (1998- Present)
- Staff Physician - Department of Ophthalmology, Naval Medical Center, San Diego, CA (1998-present)
Honors: Meritorious Service Medal, 2005, Navy Commendation Medal 2001, 1994, Navy Achievement Medal, 1998
- Board Member, Navy Liaison to San Diego Eye Bank Board of Directors
Chairman, Excimer Committee
Member, Eye Bank and Education Committee (2000-present)
- Assistant Professor of Surgery
Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
F. Edward Hebert School of Medicine (2000-present)
- Clinical Instructor in Ophthalmology
University of Southern California School of Medicine (1997-1998)
- Naval Flight Surgeon - Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro, CA (1992-1994)
Honors: Surgeon General's Award for Excellence, 1992