Depth

AEI was founded in 1997 by Alex Azar, M.D. and Peter Filipov, M.D. Their mission has remained constant: **to put patients first**. A team of top-notch ophthalmologists and optometrists assisted by our certified staff make it their mission each day to care for your eye health by putting patients first, every time.



Should your doctor be Board Eligible?

Board certification intends to provide assurance to the public and the medical profession that a physician has successfully completed an evaluation designed to assess the knowledge, experience and skills requisite to the delivery of high standards of patient care in ophthalmology. AEI ophthalmologists are either Board certified or in the process of obtaining certification, so you can be assured they are trained and ready to offer you the highest quality of care.

Have you asked...?

When looking for an eye doctor, consider these important questions:

- · How long has the doctor been practicing?
- Are the physicians Board Certified or Board Eligible?
- Are the physicians on-call 24/7 for emergencies?
- If you need surgery, how many of your specific surgical procedures has the doctor done?
- Is the Clinic staffed by Certified Ophthalmic Technicians and Certified Ophthalmic Aides?

General Information

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Hours of Operation: 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

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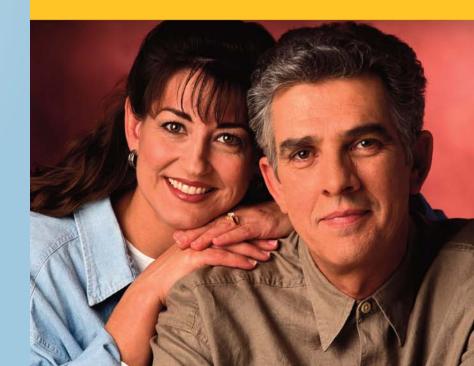
Accepted insurance: AEI accepts most insurance plans. Check with our office to confirm your coverage.



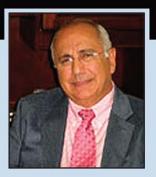
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Alex Azar, M.D.



Long a fixture on the Lower Shore, Dr. Alex Azar earned his bachelor's and medical degrees from the University of Pittsburgh, graduating magna cum laude. He followed medical school with a brief stint in the U. S. Army as a general medical officer and then completed a residency in preventive medicine at Ohio State University (OSU).

His residency completed, Dr. Azar pursued work as an environmental researcher at DuPont, where he worked directly with the development of gas permeable contact lens. His work with the contact lens was the catalyst for his returning to OSU to complete a residency in ophthalmology.

It was the right path, as Dr. Azar has continued to practice ophthalmology in Salisbury for more than 30 years. He also serves part time on the faculty at Johns Hopkins University. In addition to being Board Certified in ophthalmology, he is



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Vision

You have only one set of eyes – and you use them nearly every waking moment of the day. When you rely on something to that degree, there's no doubt: you need the best possible care.

For more than three decades, the doctors of **Azar Eye Institute** (AEI) have served patients on Delmarva – more than 50,000 patients to date. From a child's first eye exam to routine screenings to needed surgeries, we remain focused on one goal: caring, compassionate care, one patient at a time.

Customer service surveys show that 97% of our patients rate their experience at Azar Eye Institute as "good" or "excellent."* We invite you to come learn what thousands already know: AEI is the place for caring, compassionate and professional eye care.

*2007 Customer Satisfaction Surveys



Clarity

The idea of going to the eye doctor often worries people. Some are concerned about the actual tests and procedures while others are anxious about the cost. And no one likes to hear that something they rely on – their car, refrigerator or heat pump, for example – are not working to full capacity.

The difference: you can easily fix or replace a car or fridge or pump. Eyes are not so simple. They require a level of care that can be intimidating.

That is why AEI's team of doctors, certified technicians and staff are also trained communicators. Each works one-on-one with a patient to explain the exam, procedure, schedule, cost or insurance coverage. You will leave our office with clarity of vision – and a clear understanding of procedures and costs.



Menu of Services

AEI is a full-service eye care practice. Our complete eye exams utilize state-of-the-art technology married with years of education and experience.

We offer treatment of Diabetic eye, allergies and dry-eye, and macular degeneration. Locations in Salisbury, Maryland and Laurel, Delaware let you obtain care where it is convenient for you.

And, should you or someone you care for need glasses or contact lenses, Accurate Optical is right next door with same-day service.

Pinpoint Accuracy

Sometimes you or someone you love needs more than routine care. When that is the case, LASIK, Cataract and Glaucoma surgery and Corneal Transplant surgery are all available under one roof, at our AEI Surgery Center in Salisbury, Maryland.

AEI Surgery Center affords continuity of care: you will receive pre-surgery, surgery and post-surgical care all in one place, with one team of doctors. This assures that your progress will be tracked from start to finish by a team of professionals, each of whom has performed thousands of procedures.

We will answer every question to your level of comfort. And we will move at your speed, making sure you are comfortable with any procedure, every step of the way.