



Regional Partnership Creates New Centre of Excellence for Cataract Surgery

York Central
Hospital



New state-of-the-art Eye Institute at Southlake offers shorter waiting times and an enhanced quality of care for a greater number of patients



Thanks to a partnership between York Central Hospital and Southlake Regional Health Centre, over 3,000 patients have now experienced surgery in a new state-of-the-art facility designed with seniors in mind.

The benefits to patients are many – including shorter wait times for surgery, fewer post-surgery complications, and continued pre and post-operative care in the office of their ophthalmologist.

The Eye Institute at Southlake is truly a “centre of excellence” for cataract care in the region, making it the preferred choice for patients requiring safe and effective removal of cataracts to restore their vision.

Shorter Wait Times

On the day of their surgery, patients will receive care at the new state-of-the-art Eye Institute at Southlake. This enables local hospitals to make their operating rooms available for more urgent surgeries such as cancer surgery and hip and knee replacements. This helps reduce wait times for both cataract and other surgery patients.

The “centre of excellence” approach supports both the federal government’s and the Province of Ontario’s commitments to reduce wait times for key procedures such as cataracts.

Better Clinical Outcomes

Patients are operated on by their local ophthalmologists who they already know and trust. These specialists now travel to Newmarket and are supported by The Eye Institute at Southlake’s leading technology and a team of health care professionals dedicated exclusively to cataract surgery. For patients, this combination of local expertise and modern technology ensures the best possible results.



Highly-Trained Specialists

Cataract surgery requires specific tools and expertise, and The Eye Institute at Southlake is a modern, state-of-the-art facility. Its highly-trained team of cataract surgery specialists uses the latest surgical techniques and equipment to provide the highest level of personalized care for each and every patient.

For the patients who may have concerns about travel to Newmarket, information on assistance from CHATS and other senior friendly travel services are available through The Eye Institute at Southlake or your local ophthalmologist’s office.

If you have any comments about cataract services feel free to write to York Central Hospital, at 10 Trench Street, Richmond Hill, L4C 4Z3 or send us an e-mail at community_feedback@yorkcentral.on.ca. For more information or to comment on your personal experience as a patient at The Eye Institute at Southlake, visit www.southlakeregional.org or call 1-877-343-EYES.

Committed To Quality Eye Care

York Central Hospital is proud to continue to offer the following eye care services:

- Emergency eye care
- Diagnostic services
- Ambulatory Clinic procedures provided by our team of highly qualified eye care specialists.



The Patient Experience At The New Eye Institute at Southlake

“The people at the Eye Institute were wonderful. My thanks also to the lady from CHATS who drove me home from the clinic – she even offered to stop so that I could have something to eat because I had missed breakfast.”

***Mrs. Annabelle Sherman,
Thornhill***

“I have had both my eyes done at the Eye Institute and I tell everyone about the great care I have received there. I would recommend it to anyone who needs cataract surgery.”

***Mrs. Ruth Coford,
Richmond Hill***