ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Operation Sight is the ASCRS Foundation’s U.S.-based charitable cataract surgery program. We work with practices like [PRACTICE NAME] to match uninsured and underinsured patients in financial need with volunteer surgeons, who donate their time and facilities to provide cataract surgery at no cost to the patient.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Must have a household income within 200% of the Federal Poverty Level
- Must be uninsured or underinsured (insurance must not cover any portion of cataract surgery).
  *Patients who receive Medicare Part B are ineligible.
  *The program does not pay or assist with copays or deductibles.
- Must have a recent cataract diagnosis, where cataract surgery has been deemed medically necessary.
- Must permanently reside in the United States. Patients temporarily visiting are not eligible for the program.

PATIENT QUALIFICATION PROCESS

STEP ONE: PATIENT INQUIRY FORM
The inquiry form is the first step in our screening process to determine patient eligibility. Patients can fill one out at: www.ascrs.org/foundation/operation-sight/patient-inquiry

STEP TWO: APPLICATION
If the patient may be eligible, they will be asked to complete a more detailed application with additional documentation to determine their eligibility.

STEP THREE: APPROVAL
If approved, we will work to match the patient directly with the referring volunteer surgeon, who may be able to provide the patient with charitable cataract surgery.

*Please note this may take at least a few months and a match is not guaranteed. Operation Sight surgeons provide their services on a voluntary basis.*

Questions? Visit ascrs.org/foundation/operation-sight or Email info@ascrsfoundation.org