WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §30-8B-2

§30-8B-2. Definitions.

"Laser certificate holder" means a licensee who has met the requirements of this rule and has been issued an Ophthalmic Laser Utilization Certificate by the board.

"Ophthalmic laser" means any of the commercially available light amplification by stimulated emission of radiation (LASER) devices approved by the US Food and Drug Administration for use on the human eye and adnexa.

"Posterior capsulotomy" means the ophthalmic laser technique most commonly used to treat the clouding of the eye’s posterior lens capsule (PCO) that commonly occurs following cataract surgery.

"Peripheral iridotomy" means the standard first-line treatment in angle-closure glaucoma and eyes at risk for this condition most commonly treated utilizing ophthalmic lasers.

"Selective laser trabeculoplasty" means a simple, yet highly effective laser procedure that reduces the intraocular pressure associated with glaucoma that uses short pulses of low-energy light to target the melanin, or pigment, in specific cells of the affected eye. The surrounding, non-pigmented cells are untouched and undamaged.

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