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**LASER PRECISION WITH CATARACT SURGERY  
NOW OFFERED AT STURDY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**

ATTLEBORO, MA, July 17, 2015 – Sturdy Memorial Hospital is now offering laser assisted cataract surgery. This procedure, known as ReLACS™, or Refractive Laser Assisted Cataract Surgery, brings a new standard of precision to cataract surgery. This custom, blade-free, laser assisted cataract removal option allows the surgeons at Sturdy to plan and perform cataract surgeries to exacting, individualized specifications.

Cataract surgery is one of the most commonly performed surgeries in the United States. And, with the first wave of baby boomers turning 65, the number people suffering from decreased vision due to cloudy lenses, or cataracts, is only expected to grow. Since cataract surgery using ReLACS™ uses the laser to perform the most critical steps of cataract surgery, which was previously done by hand, patients not only receive the highest precision in surgical incision, but also can reduce their dependence on glasses after their surgery. The use of ReLACS™ along with premium lens options help people improve their vision at distance, at near, and even help people with astigmatism.

“There are no two eyes that are exactly the same, so our ability to use a laser instead of a blade to treat the growing cataract population is really exciting,” says board certified Ophthalmologist, Dr. Peter Fay. “It gives us the ability to precisely perform critical steps of cataract surgery that may play a role in how accurate our post-op results can be. The procedure takes less than 15 minutes, with time in the Hospital totaling about two hours. Patients should be back to their normal schedules the next day. With consideration to the minimal sedation, time spent and recovery period, laser cataract surgery can produce wonderful results with very little recovery time.”

With cataract surgery numbers growing it is important for patients suffering from cloudy or hazy vision to understand all of their surgical options. If you or someone you know has cataracts, cloudy vision, hazy vision or glare, please call Dr. Fay’s office at 508-226-1809 to schedule an appointment.

Sturdy Memorial Hospital is a full-service, independent, financially stable, not-for-profit acute care community hospital in Attleboro, Massachusetts.

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