



JAMES G. RAVIN, MD, MS

I became a doctor because

"I was drawn to a career in medicine, more specifically, ophthalmology, in an effort to help people maintain their precious gift of sight! Providing eyecare has become a long standing tradition with 3 practicing ophthalmologists in my family. Along with offering my patients outstanding care here at home, I have been privileged to extend my services to patients as far away as China, Pakistan and the Dominican Republic."

Certification: American Board of Ophthalmology

Residency: University of Michigan Medical Center

Internship: Los Angeles County - University of Southern California Medical Center

MD: University of Michigan

MS: in Ophthalmology: University of Michigan

College: BA: University of Michigan, with honors and distinction

Military Service: US Air Force; Captain; Flight Surgeon

Teaching Appointment: Clinical Associate Professor, Medical College of Ohio

Editorial Boards: Archives of Ophthalmology, Documenta Ophthalmologica, Ohio Medicine, Toledo Medicine

Member: American Academy of Ophthalmology (Honor Award; Senior Achievement Award; Archives Committee; Committee on International Ophthalmology; Director, Museum of Vision); Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas County (President -Elect); Toledo Surgical Society (President); Northwest Ohio Ophthalmological Society (Past President); Ohio State Medical Society (Alternate Delegate); American Medical Association; Cogan Ophthalmic History Society (Board of Directors); Ocular Heritage Society; Ohio Ophthalmological Society; Societe Francaise d'Ophthalmologie

Board of Directors: University of Toledo, Friends of the Library, Past Board of Directors for Sight Center of Toledo

My vision is making a difference to those around me

"We can help people in so many ways, and are able to offer new aspects of care every year. I have had major interests in direct patient care as well as in transmitting knowledge to others, and have done so in talks throughout the country, in writing chapters published in four books, and more than 100 published journal articles. My concepts of how eye problems have affected major artists, including Monet, Degas, O'Keeffe, and Pissarro have been of great interest to others. I have been quoted in the New York Times, by Jane Pauley on the Today show, by Charles Kuralt in On the Road, and by the Paul Harvey News."

Innovation leads to better care

"We are amazed how quickly advances made in other fields are transformed into actual patient care, especially for the eye. Many improvements in cataract eye surgery and use of laser and ultrasound are available for us. We are fortunate to be able to offer them to our patients. My comments on the development of advances in eye care have led to me being a guest speaker at many locations throughout the country, including the University of Michigan and the Mayo Clinic. Colleagues have asked me to be part of their leadership in promoting public health, and I am the President-Elect of the Academy of Medicine of Toledo and Lucas County and President of the Toledo Surgical Society."

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