



## AOA Paraoptometric Micro-Credential: Optometric Surgical Assisting

### Lecture & Theory

- Understand the role of an optometric technician in minor eyelid and laser eye surgeries, including the importance of proper training and preparation.
- Master anatomy and physiology of the eyelids, including common conditions affecting the eyelids, blood supply to the eyelids, and the various nerves of the eyelids.
- Learn about optometric lasers, laser physics, how lasers work, and typical laser procedures.
- Understand the importance of sterilization and infection control and measures to prevent infection transmission.
- Acquire knowledge related to patient evaluation and pre-operative preparation, along with post-operative instructions
- Discover the importance of compliance and regulations related to office-based surgical procedures.



**Duration: 6.5 Hours**

### Pricing

**AOA Members: \$100**

**Non-Member: \$175**

*\*Micro-credential does not require renewal. Continuing education on surgical procedures is highly recommended.*





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## Paraoptometric Surgical Assisting Micro-Credential: Additional Information

This micro-credential program, housed in EyeLearn, has been thoughtfully designed to equip paraoptometrics with the specialized knowledge and skills required to excel as a paraoptometric surgical assistant. It aims to provide paraoptometrics with a solid foundation in surgical assisting techniques, patient care, and surgical office management.

Throughout the program, paraoptometrics will delve into a wide range of topics essential to their role. From preoperative preparations and aseptic techniques to surgical instrumentation and patient monitoring, each module will enhance the paraoptometric's understanding and proficiency in assisting optometric surgeons.

This micro-credential will serve as a testament to the paraoptometric's expertise and dedication, distinguishing the paraoptometric as a valued member of the optometric surgical team.

To earn the surgical assisting micro-credential the paraoptometric must; complete the 6.5 hour programming in EyeLearn and pass the accompanying exam, complete the 4-hour workshop, and demonstrate a mastery of the essential clinical skills by passing all 14 lab exercises.



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