

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge
New Option for Cataracts

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC MEDICAL EDGE.
	FOR SANDRA JONES, A DAY AT THE OFFICE IS ALL ABOUT READING NAMES AND LITTLE NUMBERS.
Sandra Jones, Patient	"I DO ALL THE BOOKKEEPING. IF I DIDN'T HAVE MY CONTACTS OR GLASSES I COULDN'T WORK BECAUSE I COULDN'T SEE."
	NEARSIGHTEDNESS AND FARSIGHTEDNESS WERE NOT SANDRA'S ONLY VISION PROBLEMS. SHE ALSO BEGAN TO DEVELOP A CATARACT.
Akbar Hasan, M.D.	"A CATARACT IS A CLOUDING OF THE LENSE INSIDE THE EYE."

	<p>MAYO CLINIC DR. AKBAR HASAN SAYS CATARACTS ARE A NORMAL PART OF AGING. THEY'RE CAUSED BY PROTEIN CHANGES IN YOUR EYE. DOCTORS CORRECT THEM BY BREAKING UP AND REMOVING THE CATARACT AND REPLACING THE CLOUDY LENS WITH A CLEAR PLASTIC ONE. BUT DR. HASAN USED A NEW LENS ON SANDRA. THIS NEW BIFOCAL LENS GIVES YOU THE ABILITY TO READ ROAD SIGNS IN THE DISTANCE AND A MAP UP CLOSE.</p>
Dr. Hasan	<p>"YOU'RE NOT GAINING SUPERVISION, BUT YOU'RE LESS DEPENDENT ON GLASSES."</p>
	<p>A FREEDOM SANDRA ENJOYS IN AND OUT OF THE OFFICE.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.</p>

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