

1	MDTV MEDICAL NEWS NOW - LASIK SURGERY	
2	MS. MURPHY-STARK: Welcome back to MDTV	00:19:02
3	Medical News Now. Refractive surgery became popular	00:19:04
4	with the emergence of radial keratotomy or RK to	00:19:08
5	correct nearsightedness also known as myopia. RK,	00:19:12
6	however, only corrected low amounts of myopia and	00:19:16
7	seemed to weaken the cornea resulting in	00:19:18
8	farsightedness or hyperopia. Automated lamellar	00:19:20
9	keratectomy or ALK soon followed. But because	00:19:24
10	adjustments to the cornea were done mechanically,	00:19:28
11	the refractive correction was very limited.	00:19:32
12	Photorefractive keratectomy, also called PRK	00:19:34
13	addressed these limitations by using the extremely	00:19:36
14	precise excimer laser and treated broad ranges of	00:19:40
15	focal abnormalities. LASIK is the latest in the	
16	evolution of refractive surgery and incorporates the	
17	best of ALK and PRK.	00:19:50
18	Dr. Anita Nevyas-Wallace joins us as a	00:19:52
19	guest medical expert. Dr. Nevyas-Wallace is a	00:19:54
20	Fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and	00:19:58
21	an award-winning member of the American Society of	00:20:00
22	Cataract and Refractive Surgery for innovative work	00:20:02
23	in her field.	
24	Doctor, what type of recovery is	00:20:08
25	involved with LASIK and how soon before someone	00:20:08

