

Melvin C. Chen, MD, an Ophthalmologist with Sarasota Retina Institute

Get to know Ophthalmologist Dr. Melvin C. Chen, who serves patients in Sarasota, Florida.



New York City, Sep 8, 2020 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Dr. Chen is a board-certified, fellowship-trained ophthalmologist in practice with Sarasota Retina Institute in Sarasota, Florida.

Specializing in the treatment and surgery of the vitreous and retina, some of the services he provides are: reattachment of detached retinas, treatment of retinal tears, treatment of diabetic eye disease, treatment of macular degeneration, treatment of vascular occlusive disease, treatment of macular holes and puckers, management of ocular trauma, management of cataract complications, as well as evaluation and diagnosis of ocular tumors. He is also very active in many clinical trials seeking to find improved methods of treating eye diseases.

Born in Seattle, Washington, Dr. Chen left there after the 3rd grade. He relocated with his family when his father, who worked for the U.S. Government, was stationed in Japan. Subsequently, the family moved to Washington, D.C. where he attended the public school system, graduating from Fall Church High School in Falls Church, Virginia. He then attended Duke University where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Physics. After graduation, he entered the Army where he received the rank of Captain, and served as Chief of Data Processing at the U.S. Army Environmental Hygiene Agency at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, and then as Executive Officer in the 125th Medical Detachment, 65th Medical Group, Korea. He served from 1967 to 1971.

After his military service, Dr. Chen attended Howard University Medical College in Washington, D.C. where he received his medical degree with Honors and was an AOA member. An internship in straight medicine was then completed at Duke University Medical Center, followed by a three-year residency in ophthalmology at Georgetown University Medical Center and a fellowship in retina/vitreous diseases & surgery at Devers Eye Clinic, Good Samaritan Hospital in Portland, Oregon.

Completing his medical training, Dr. Chen initially practiced in Alliance, Ohio; then at the Marshfield Clinic in Marshfield, Wisconsin. Tired of the cold weather, he joined Sarasota Retina Institute in 1984.

A Fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, the doctor is board-certified in ophthalmology by the American Board of Ophthalmology, an independent, non-profit organization responsible for certifying ophthalmologists in the United States of America. Additionally, he is a member of the American Society of Retina Specialists and the Sarasota County Medical Society.

Ophthalmology is a branch of medicine and surgery, which deals with the diagnosis and treatment of eye disorders. Ophthalmologists are experts in the diseases, functions, and anatomy of the eye. They may provide routine care such as vision testing, as well as prescribe and fit eyeglasses or contact lenses. However, ophthalmologists are also surgeons. They repair traumatic injuries to the eye and perform cataract, glaucoma, and corneal surgery.

On a more personal note, Dr. Chen's outside interests include playing tennis, motorcycling, traveling, and spending time with his family and grandchildren.

Learn More about Dr. Melvin C. Chen:

Through his findatopdoc profile, <https://www.findatopdoc.com/doctor/2098054-Melvin-Chen-Ophthalmologist> or through Sarasota Retina Institute,

<http://www.sarasotaretinainstitute.com/doctors/melvin-c-chen-m-d-retina-specialist-ophthalmologist-sarasota-florida/>

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