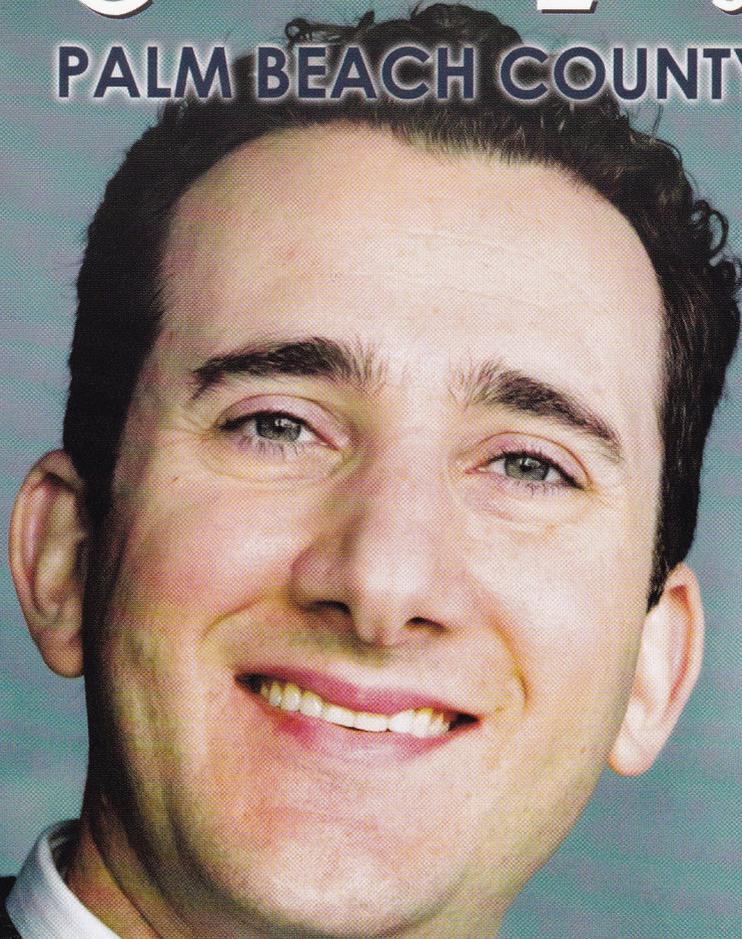


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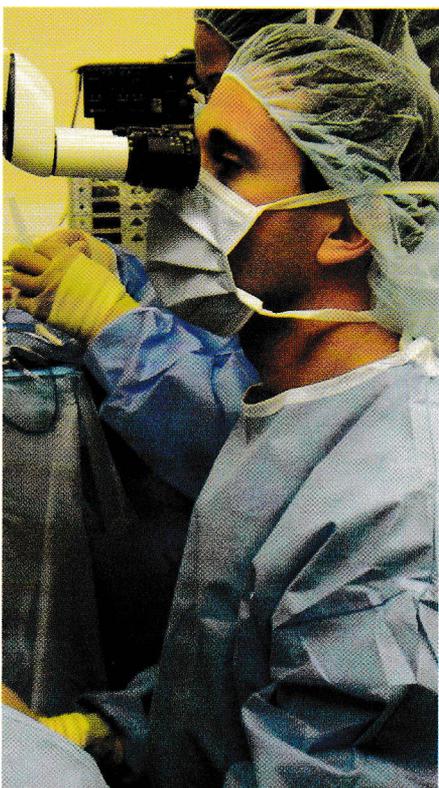
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# Jonathan S. Criss, M.D.

## Trades in the Cold New York Winters for the Year-round Florida Sunshine

New York native Jonathan Criss, M.D. never thought he'd end up living in South Florida. After all, the Ivy league-educated ophthalmologist had worked diligently to establish a thriving practice in the Union Square / Gramercy Park neighborhood of New York. Over just a few years, Dr. Criss quickly became one of the most sought-out surgeons in Manhattan, attracting patients from all five boroughs. The doctor's patient base included everyone from uninsured recent immigrants to network TV stars and Academy Award nominees. Add to that the fact that Dr. Criss was named a 'New York Super Doctors Rising Star' for 2013 and 2014 (featured in New



York Magazine) and one might wonder why he left Manhattan.

"We left for the best of reasons," according to Dr. Criss. "My wife and

I decided we wanted to start our family in South Florida and enjoy the amazing lifestyle and opportunities that the area has to offer. It doesn't hurt that we were able to hang up our snow boots!" It also doesn't hurt that his wife Samantha grew up in Boca Raton and knows the area well.

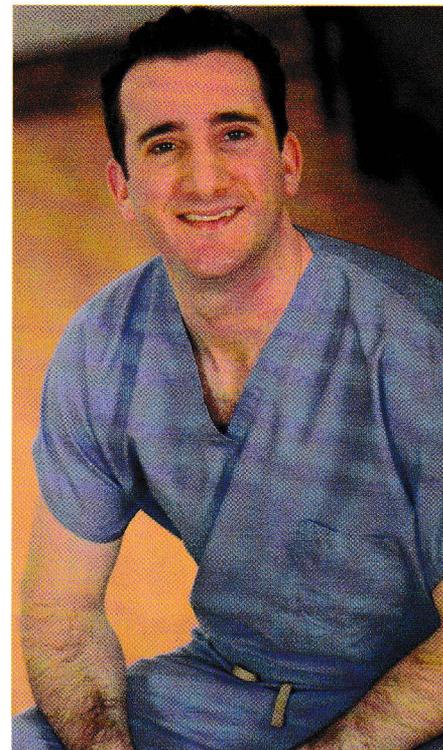
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Once the decision to relocate was made, Dr. Criss did his due diligence in researching ophthalmological practices in the area. It wasn't long before he connected with Florida Eye Microsurgical Institute. "Florida Eye has always been known for providing excellent care and putting the patient first," said Dr. Criss. "After several meetings I realized I'd found a practice that embraces the concept of teamwork. I'm truly looking forward to expanding the practice's expertise and offerings and bringing my own skills to the table."

Those skills are quite varied, as Dr. Criss performs numerous ocular procedures, including eyelid biopsies, chalazion excisions, removal of conjunctival lesions, and lasers for glaucoma, but his most frequent surgery is small incision cataract surgery. "I use ultrasonic energy to break up the cloudy lens into tiny fragments which can then be aspirated from the eye. But it is important to know that not all cataract surgery is straightforward," explained Dr. Criss. "Patients can have a range of eye conditions which make their cases complex – for example ocular trauma, prior surgery, and highly advanced cataracts. I have exper-



tise dealing with the full spectrum of surgical challenges."

Dr. Criss takes pride in educating patients about their ocular conditions and involving them and their family members in weighing the appropriate treatment possibilities. "I make sure to look at the whole picture and evaluate the whole patient. For instance, we typically treat glaucoma with eye drops. But what about the patient with advanced arthritis who has difficulty putting drops in multiple times a day? If I just hand a patient a prescription for more eye drops, how does that help him or her?"

Dr. Criss also speaks Spanish, which is as important in South Florida as it was in New York. He will practice primarily at Florida Eye's Boca Raton location at 9980 Central Park Boulevard (conveniently located near 441 and Glades). For more information, call 561-737-5500 and/or [Fleyedocs.com](http://Fleyedocs.com). 