

Walter Tom, MD, FACS

Walter Tom, MD, is Board Certified by the American Board of Surgery, Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, Past Member of the American Society of Transplant Surgeons, and member of the American College of Phlebology. After graduating from the University of Michigan, Dr. Tom attended medical school at Wayne State University School of Medicine and finished his General and Vascular Surgical Residency at William Beaumont Hospital and his Organ Transplant Fellowship at the University of Cincinnati Medical Center.

Dr. Walter Tom has always been a leader in introducing the latest technology to the North Bay. In 1986, he co-founded the Kidney Transplant program at Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital as Chief Surgeon. In the early 1990's he helped to establish laparoscopic minimally invasive abdominal surgery as a mainstay in Sonoma County. Predated by the local medical community's lack of legitimate concern for those with vein disorders, in 1999 Dr. Tom's vision of a dedicated laser and vein center became reality when he created the Aesthetic Laser & Vein Center of the North Bay in Santa Rosa.

At the turn of the century in January 2000, Dr. Tom having trained under Dr. Patrick Bitter, Sr. he introduced Photofacial intense pulsed light therapy to Sonoma County for treatment of facial aesthetic concerns. After extensive research of the emerging technologies Dr. Tom performed the first non-surgical endovenous laser vein ablation in 2003, which has now replaced surgical "vein stripping."

The Aesthetic Laser & Vein Center of Napa was opened in December 2004 to offer these new technologies outside of North Coast California. Now in 2005, utilizing sub dermal massage and light "LED" therapy researched by many investigators including NASA, Dr. Tom is the first to introduce the Lumicell Touch cellulite treatment to the North Bay.