



# IIPA

International Iridology Practitioners Association

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## Top 10 Questions Most Frequently Asked

### **What is Iridology? Why should I take the time to learn it?**

Iridology is the study of the iris, or colored part, of the eye. This structure has detailed fibers and pigmentation that reflects information about our physical and psychological makeup. It identifies inherited dispositions (how our body reacts to our environment and what symptoms to expect), and future challenges (where we are likely to have more problems as we age). It also helps identify inherited emotional patterns, which can create or maintain physical symptoms, as well as identify lessons or challenges and gifts or talents available to us.

### **I have learned Iridology from another source. Why should I learn from IIPA?**

Over the years, Iridologists with different backgrounds and training have developed different terminology and interpretations of iris signs. This has led to much confusion between Iridologists around the world. Our educational program presents the best of this material so you can practice Iridology in an accurate, concise and standardized manner. This allows us to communicate information better with one another and it allows you to better serve your clients.

### **What is Comprehensive Iridology<sup>SM</sup>?**

IIPA teaches the synthesis of the best European, American, and other worldwide teachings. This information is rationally oriented, clinically tested, and presented in an extremely easy-to-learn manner. It is continually being updated as credible information becomes available. It makes understanding the iris information easier for the practitioner and makes the information itself more useful for the client.

### **How do I become an Iridologist?**

Study Iridology! There are several ways to accomplish this. Live classes provide direct instruction with the ability to have guided supervision and questions answered to insure you understand the material. Lecture videotapes, correspondence programs, CD-Roms, and books are also available from various sources.

### **Why become certified by IIPA?**

Iridology has no official standards of practice, anyone can call themselves an Iridologist, often with little training or experience. There are also great differences in the Iridology information being taught throughout the world. Certification from IIPA identifies you as having attained a standardized level of education excellence. This status sets you apart, clients can feel confident in choosing you, knowing you have received high quality education and meaningful certification requirements.

### **What are the Certification requirements?**

Comprehensive Iridology Level I, Level II classes, IIPA approved Anatomy and Physiology education, and successful completion of the IIPA Examination are required for certification. IIPA has



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a Certification Comprehensive Iridology Program page available describing the details of this program. A list of the IIPA approved Anatomy and Physiology Institutions and correspondence courses are provided on the website if needed.

### **Is Iridology a legally recognized practice?**

Iridology operates in a gray area in North America. In general, there are no laws defining or regulating the practice. In Europe (especially Germany) it is more recognized and routinely used by natural medicine practitioners. It is important to understand that Iridology is an assessment tool, not a therapy. Using it improperly by naming disease states, diagnosing disease, etc. is inappropriate because it can be construed as practicing medicine without a license, and it is not correctly applying the information provided by the iris. **Therefore, it is critically important that iridologists be well-educated in Iridology and practice in an appropriate manner.**

### **What is IIPA?**

IIPA is an organization to support Iridology practiced in a professional manner and to educate the public about its benefits. The organization has been in existence since 1982, has attained non-profit status, and has expanded to have a Board of Directors. IIPA has Certified Instructors, practitioners, and students in the United States and abroad.

### **Why should I become a member?**

Membership in IIPA puts you in the company of like-minded Iridologists who want to see Iridology grow and prosper. Your membership includes the IIPA Newsletter, which keeps you informed about what is happening in the world of Iridology, decisions of the governing board and various committees, accomplishments in the field, and calendar of classes and events. This is sent exclusively to IIPA members. You will also receive a Membership Certificate annually upon renewal.

### **Are you affiliated with any company or therapeutic practice?**

IIPA is an independent professional organization. We do not promote any particular line of products or method of treatment, and are not associated with any company.

### **How do I find a Certified Iridologist in my area?**

The IIPA website and the Central Office maintains a list of IIPA Certified Iridologists and will provide names of those Iridologists in your area who wish to receive referrals.