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Tersigni Vision Examines LASIK Eligibility for Patients with Prior Corneal Injury

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Tersigni Vision has published new guidance addressing a common concern among individuals considering vision correction: whether LASIK remains possible after a corneal scratch or other eye injury. The article, titled "Can You Get LASIK If You've Had a Corneal Scratch or Injury?," provides insight into the evaluation process patients undergo when determining if prior corneal damage affects surgical eligibility.

Corneal injuries are more common than many realize, with scratches and abrasions frequently occurring from everyday accidents or contact lens wear. These injuries often heal without complication, but in certain cases may leave scars or cause subtle changes in corneal structure. Such factors can influence whether LASIK is an appropriate and safe option. According to the article, eligibility depends largely on the type and severity of the initial injury and the current condition of the cornea.

Dr. Steven Tersigni, founder of Tersigni Vision, notes that corneal health plays a critical role in determining LASIK safety and outcomes. He emphasizes the importance of advanced diagnostic tools such as corneal topography, which allow surgeons to assess the shape, thickness, and clarity of the cornea before recommending a procedure. "Even a small irregularity can affect how a laser interacts with the cornea," Dr.

Tersigni explained. "Our goal is to provide each patient with the safest path to clearer vision, whether that is LASIK or an alternative procedure."

The article highlights that in many cases, a minor abrasion that has fully healed does not automatically disqualify a patient from LASIK. However, when scarring or thinning is present—particularly in the central cornea—it can increase the risks of surgery and potentially impact visual outcomes. In such situations, patients may be better suited for procedures such as PRK, EVO ICL, or refractive lens exchange, which do not rely on creating a corneal flap and can provide excellent long-term vision correction.

Timing is also a critical factor. The guidance stresses that eyes must be fully healed from any recent injury, free from infection or inflammation, and showing stable vision before LASIK can be considered. Allowing adequate healing time ensures that all diagnostic measurements are accurate and that risks of complications are minimized.

Beyond the technical considerations, the article underscores the importance of monitoring visual symptoms after an injury. Persistent blurred vision, light sensitivity, or worsening dry eye can indicate underlying damage that must be addressed before any refractive surgery is performed. According to Dr. Tersigni, thorough examinations remain the most reliable way to identify potential issues and determine whether LASIK or another procedure offers the best solution.

Tersigni Vision's approach reflects a broader commitment within the ophthalmology field to ensure patient safety and personalized care in refractive surgery. By addressing a concern frequently raised by patients with prior eye injuries, the clinic offers valuable information not only for those exploring LASIK but also for reporters covering advances in eye care and patient safety protocols. The release of this information is particularly relevant given the rising interest in refractive surgery among adults seeking to reduce dependence on glasses or contact lenses.

The article concludes that while not every patient with a history of corneal injury will be a candidate for LASIK, modern ophthalmology provides multiple safe and effective alternatives. With careful evaluation and the use of advanced technology, many individuals with prior eye injuries can still achieve lasting improvements in vision.

For further details on this topic and to review the full article, visit Tersigni Vision. Reporters seeking interviews or additional information may contact Dr. Steven Tersigni directly through the practice.

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