# Brusco Vision Details EVO ICL Candidacy Criteria for Patients in Falls Church and Northern Virginia

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Brusco Vision, a LASIK surgeon located in Falls Church, Virginia, has published clinical guidance on EVO ICL candidacy for patients in Northern Virginia who do not qualify for LASIK surgery. The practice serves patients from Washington, D.C., Arlington, McLean, Alexandria, Fairfax, and other surrounding areas and offers six vision correction procedures at its in-house surgery center. The guidance is detailed in the article "Am I a Good Candidate for EVO ICL in Northern Virginia?", now available on the Brusco Vision website.

EVO ICL corrects nearsightedness from -2.5 to -16.0 diopters and reduces myopia up to -20.0 diopters, with astigmatism correction up to 4.0 diopters. That treatment range extends beyond the typical correction window for LASIK, where many surgeons limit treatment to approximately -8.0 to -10.0 diopters for optimal safety outcomes, though FDA-approved LASIK platforms can treat up to -12.0 diopters or higher depending on corneal thickness. For Northern Virginia patients with prescriptions above that threshold, EVO ICL places a biocompatible Implantable Collamer Lens inside the eye without removing corneal tissue. Candidates are typically between 21 and 60 years of age with a prescription stable for at least one year, defined as less than 0.75 diopters of change. Dr. Michael Brusco evaluates high-prescription patients at Brusco Vision's Falls Church location through a comprehensive diagnostic workup that measures corneal thickness, anterior

chamber depth, and prescription history to confirm whether EVO ICL or another procedure from the practice's six-procedure menu is appropriate.

Patients in Falls Church, Arlington, McLean, Alexandria, and Fairfax with chronic dry eye syndrome or thin corneas are among those frequently evaluated as EVO ICL candidates at Brusco Vision, as both conditions are common reasons individuals do not qualify for LASIK. LASIK creates a corneal flap and severs the nerves responsible for tear signaling, a process that can affect tear production following surgery. EVO ICL preserves the corneal structure entirely and does not disrupt tear production, making it an option for Washington, D.C. area patients whose corneal health rules out laser vision correction. EVO ICL is also reversible, meaning the implanted lens can be removed if clinical needs change, a feature that distinguishes it from procedures that involve structural alterations to the cornea. Athletes and physically active patients throughout Northern Virginia represent a distinct population for EVO ICL candidacy as well. Because the procedure does not create a corneal flap, the risk of flap displacement during contact sports or high-impact activity does not apply. Dr. Brusco served as a civilian staff ophthalmologist in the Warfighter Refractive Eye Surgery Program at Fort Riley, treating active-duty military personnel who required vision correction compatible with the physical demands of military service. That experience informs how candidacy is assessed for athletes and active-lifestyle patients at the Falls Church practice today. Patients who are pregnant or nursing, have active eye diseases such as glaucoma or iritis, or have insufficient anterior chamber depth do not qualify for EVO ICL.

"EVO ICL was developed for patients whose prescriptions, corneal profiles, or eye health fall outside the parameters for safe LASIK candidacy," said Dr. Michael Brusco, MD, FACS, board-certified ophthalmologist and founder of Brusco Vision. "Having performed more than 6,000 lens-based procedures at our Falls Church practice, I evaluate each candidate on anterior chamber depth, prescription history, corneal health, and lifestyle demands. For patients in Northern Virginia with high myopia or chronic dry eye who have been told elsewhere that surgery is not an option, EVO ICL warrants a thorough evaluation."

Brusco Vision is located at 3120 Fairview Park Drive, Suite 100, Falls Church, Virginia 22042, and serves patients throughout Northern Virginia, including Arlington, Alexandria, Fairfax, Vienna, and McLean, as well as Washington, D.C. and the broader DMV area. Patients traveling from across the Washington Metropolitan Area can access driving directions to the Falls Church location via Google Maps.

For information about EVO ICL candidacy evaluations at Brusco Vision in Falls Church, visit bruscovision.com or view the practice's Google Business Profile. Brusco Vision offers six vision correction procedures, including EVO ICL, SBK LASIK, SMILE, ASA PRK, Custom Lens Replacement, and Refractive Cataract Surgery, and does not accept payments from manufacturers or laser companies. Dr. Brusco has

performed more than 45,000 corneal-based and 6,000-plus lens-based vision correction procedures at the Falls Church location, where procedure recommendations are based on individual patient anatomy and visual goals.

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