## **Advantages Over Laser Surgery**

GVSS is less than half the cost of laser surgery. It does not involve any post-operative pain or hazy vision. Prescription changes are easily handled with GVSS. There are no strong steroids or antibiotic drops needed. **And, GVSS** is 100% reversible.

## Are there other Advantages to GVSS?

The biggest advantage that GVSS has over glasses and contact lenses is it slows down prescription changes from year to year. As children grow and change their eyes also grow and change. In children who are nearsighted, this growth results in the need for stronger and stronger prescriptions each year. Just as a braces retainer prevents teeth from changing year to year, the GVSS procedure prevents people's eyes from changing so much year to year. We have seen children in our practice not have prescription changes for years after having the GVSS procedure. The benefits of slowing down the prescription changes means your child's eyes will not need as strong of glasses when they get older.

#### Is it Safe?

There are several studies proving GVSS is a safe and effective treatment.



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or contact lenses
interfering with your
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#### What is it?

GVSS is a FDA-approved, nonsurgical, reversible method to correct nearsightedness.

Baseball? Basketball? Gymnastics? Hockey? Dance? Football? Regardless of your sport or activities glasses and contact lenses can affect your performance. Glasses steam up. Sweat gets in your contacts. You can have unsightly glare at competitions. GVSS can provide a safe, non surgical, reversible method to free you from glasses or contacts lenses during waking hours.

GVSS is also ideal for those who work in dusty or dirty environments. For others GVSS offers the appeal of being free from corrective lenses during the day.

#### How does it work?

GVSS uses specially designed vision retainers to gently and gradually reshape the front of the eyes to reduce or eliminate nearsightedness or astigmatism. The vision retainers are similar to contact lenses and are worn at night while sleeping. They are then removed upon awakening to provide clear vision without glasses or contact lenses. The clear vision lasts all day. For some people the vision will remain



## Is GVSS for everyone?

No, GVSS does not work on every patient. The procedure works best on patients with mild to moderate amounts of nearsightedness or astigmatism. Those with higher prescriptions can have their vision improved, but will still need vision correction.

# Is GVSS just for children?

Our practice has successfully treated people ranging in age from 7 to 65 years old. Children as young as 7 do well with the GVSS system with a little help from their parents.

# Does it work with Dry Eye?

The GVSS procedure actually is the best option for people with dry eyes. Because the eyes are free from glasses and contact lenses during the day, they are less likely to have dry eye issues. We have performed the procedure on lots of people whose eyes were too dry for contacts lenses.

### What does it cost?

Depending on which payment plan you choose, the fee for the entire GVSS program is between \$2,400 - \$3,800. This includes all professional visits with the Doctor and retainer lenses needed to achieve optimal vision for the first year. Affordable monthly payment plans are available.

Lost, broken or spare retainers are available for \$225 each.



#### I've never heard of GVSS. Is it new?

The clinical scientific name for GVSS is orthokeratology. When orthokeratology was first attempted in the 1960's it would often take over a year to complete and the results were not nearly as favorable as GVSS. With the newer diagnostic technology used to measure the corneal shape and the newer materials being used for vision retainers. GVSS is now a viable alternative for many nearsightedness or astigmatism patients. Dr. Barbara Marcussen has been helping people with this system since 2004. She has received extensive training in the newest most accurate form of GVSS...Wavefront GVSS. Currently there are only a select few optometrists in the state of North Carolina with this special wavefront certification.