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EyeCare 20/20 Sets Sights on Olympic Gold

EAST HANOVER, NJ – EyeCare 20/20 is doing their part to help Team USA in the upcoming Winter and Summer Olympics with the LASIK-for-the-Gold campaign. EyeCare 20/20 is giving LASIK surgery to USA athletes to assist their pursuit of gold with the addition of “new eyes”. With just over three weeks until the start of the Winter Olympics, Cary M. Silverman, M.D. is adding Olympians to his already long list of professional and collegiate athletes to partake in the visual enhancement.

Many potential members of Team USA have made the trip to EyeCare 20/20’s state-of-the-art facilities to make sure they get the attention needed when it involves something as important as an athlete’s eyes. “As a bobsled driver, my job is to see and guide my sled down the icy track,” said World Cup Bronze Medalist, **Erin Pac**. “Since the LASIK, I am now able to see 20/20 without my glasses or contacts. It’s a great feeling to know that for the upcoming Olympic season I don’t have to worry about blurry vision.”

Along with Pac, these patients of Cary M. Silverman, M.D. are already making waves for Team USA whether they are looking to secure their position on the team or make sure they are in their best condition. The list of athletes include nine Olympic hopefuls, many of which look to add some medals to their collection this winter. “I’m just doing my part to help Team USA claim gold in Vancouver. I love the Olympics and it’s been an honor helping these dedicated athletes be their best,” said Silverman.

Katherine Reutter (short track speedskating) is now a 17-time world cup medalist who is ready for her Olympic debut. **Chad Hedrick** (speedskating) is already a gold, silver, and bronze medalist from the 2006 Olympics in Torino. **Curt Tomasevicz** (bobsled) of Team USA’s “Night Train” is considered the team to beat when the Olympic medals are on the line. **Molly Engstrom** (hockey) is a bronze medalist at the 2006 Olympics, a World Champion, and a long-time member of the U.S. National Team. **Dan Joye** (luge) is part of the doubles luge team that will enter the Games as part of the number one ranked U.S. sled.

“It was an amazing feeling as I sat up and for the first time since the third grade, I could read the clock on the other side of the room without the aid of my glasses or contacts,” said ‘09 World Championship 4-man Bobsled Team member **Curt Tomasevicz**. “I’m thankful for the life-changing procedure performed by Dr. Silverman and his staff. I hated the discomfort of my glasses and I hated having to rely on my contacts, especially in a sport where perfect vision is vital.”

Olympic hopefuls who had LASIK surgery also include these three who hope to continue their success in either the 2012 Olympics or X-Games. **Arielle Martin** of US BMX is the current UCI World Cup SX Champion. Also, the 2008 USA Cycling BMX National Champion, **Jill Kintner**

who went on to win the bronze medal in BMX racing in the sport's Olympic debut in Beijing. X-Games free-skier, **Kristi Leskinen** became the first female ever to compete in the US Open and in 2003 placed second in the same event.

The athletes traveled from all across the country to EyeCare 20/20 for treatment because of the practice's recognition as one of the premier LASIK facilities in the country. "The office of EyeCare 20/20 was such a quaint and hospitable atmosphere. I felt like the nurses and doctor had been my lifelong caregivers and not just people who'd be helping me on one short visit," explained **Katherine Reutter**. "The staff was very flexible allowing me to take the time I needed to prepare for the surgery; they were supportive and reassuring through out all of my concerns. I would highly recommend Dr. Silverman and EyeCare 20/20 for anyone interested in LASIK surgery. I couldn't have had a better experience anywhere else."

About Cary M. Silverman, M.D. and EyeCare 20/20: Located in East Hanover, NJ, EyeCare 20/20 provides ophthalmic care for the entire family whether it's routine vision correction or surgical intervention. Under the direction of Cary Silverman, M.D., Medical Director, they serve patients from surrounding communities as well as those from other states nationwide. Their beautifully decorated, modern facility gives patients a comfortable, yet most efficient environment in which to receive treatment. Dr. Silverman specializes in innovative LASIK vision correction, state-of-the-art refractive cataract surgery, as well as an array of other refractive surgery options for patients who are not candidates for LASIK. For more information, visit: www.eyecare2020.com or call 973-560-1500.

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