



Believing is Seeing

ACADEMIC CALENDAR | 2019-2020
PROGRAMS FOR OPHTHALMOLOGISTS, RESIDENTS,
FELLOWS, AND ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS



Julia A. Haller, MD

OPHTHALMOLOGIST-IN-CHIEF

“We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit.”

Aristotle

“Achievement is talent plus preparation.”

Malcolm Gladwell

“There are no traffic jams along the extra mile.”

Roger Staubach

Philosophers from Aristotle to Gladwell to Staubach note the key connections between repeated practice, preparation, and performance. At Wills Eye Hospital we are committed to achieving the very highest standards of performance excellence. A central part of our mission is discovering new treatments, honing our skills, and improving our performance to stay not only the go-to center for clinical care but also the unsurpassed Mecca for training and education. We commit to the extra mile.

The 2019-2020 Academic Calendar highlights this year include some new twists on a winning lineup. Our tried-and-true favorites are featured including Saturday Updates, this year enhanced by the brand-new Measey Ophthalmic Surgery Training Lab (the “MOST Lab!”), our live-streamed Friday morning Chiefs Rounds, our all-star roster of monthly visiting professorships, and one of the winningest long-running success stories anywhere: our 45th Annual Ophthalmology Review Course.

Some key new additions this year include two Wills-sponsored symposia at the AAO in San Francisco, “Cases in Prevention: Where the Latest Research on Diabetic Retinopathy Meets the Real World” and “Setting the Stage for Lowering IOP in Glaucoma: Solving the Mystery of Meds, MIGS, or Combination Treatment”. Our AAO Booth will again be prominent on the exhibit floor, fully staffed and fielding a top flight “Meet the Expert” lecture schedule.

Please join us this year on Walnut Street, in San Francisco, or online as we go that extra mile to excellence and achievement.

Julia A. Haller



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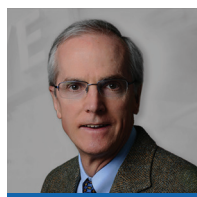
DIRECTOR, CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

The education and training of skilled, informed ophthalmic practitioners have been a major mission of Wills Eye Hospital since its founding more than 187 years ago. Wills ophthalmologists recognize that high-quality eye care rests on a foundation of scientifically valid and cutting-edge knowledge—knowledge that empowers them to treat complex eye diseases and restore and preserve sight. The nation’s first ophthalmology resident trained at Wills, and the hospital remains a preeminent center for the training of future ophthalmologists. Wills is also strongly committed to providing practicing ophthalmologists with a wealth of outstanding continuing medical educational activities, each designed to enhance both their knowledge and the quality of their practices. We welcome you to participate in the activities listed in this calendar at Wills, via live streaming, or online.

Ralph C. Eagle

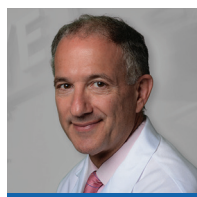
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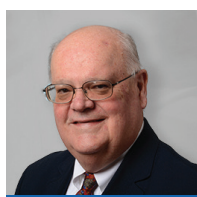
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ROBERT B. PENNE, MD
DIRECTOR



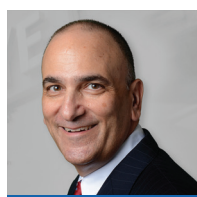
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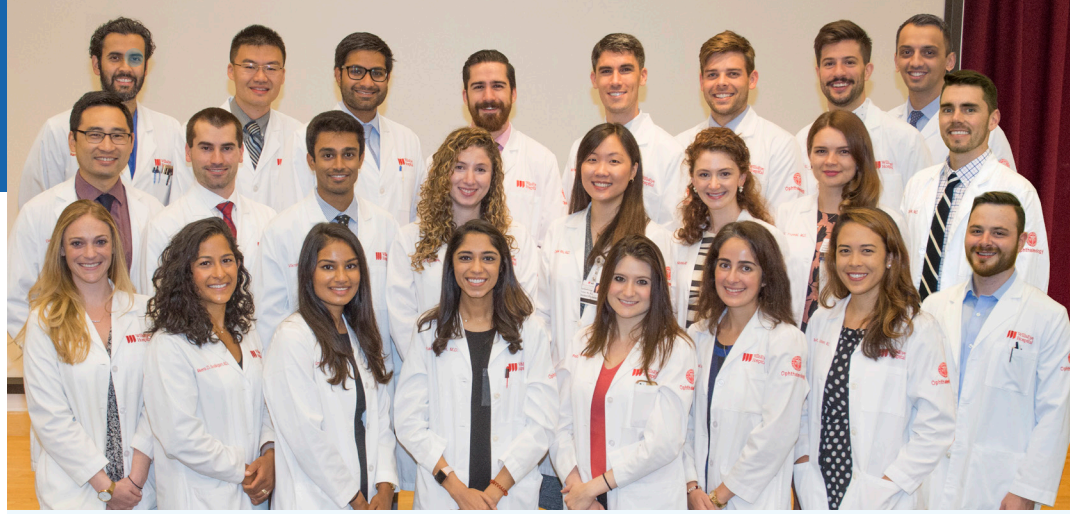
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Retina

CARL D. REGILLO, MD
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DAVID H. FISCHER, MD
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ARUNAN SIVALINGAM, MD
CO-DIRECTOR

SEPTEMBER 2019



Wills Eye Residency Ranked #1 Ophthalmology Program in U.S.



Since our creation of the nation's first ophthalmology residency program in 1839, Wills Eye has continued to provide an unsurpassed training environment for residents. We are pleased that this tradition of excellence has been recognized by our peers, who once again have ranked the Wills Eye at Jefferson residency program as #1 in the nation for 2019-2020.*

A combination of clinical, surgical, and individual mentoring experiences delivered by our world-class faculty has enabled generations of Wills physicians to pioneer new treatments, surgical techniques, and training methods that have defined the field of ophthalmology. "We are deeply committed to the academic pillar of our mission, and to the special and unique Wills Eye *esprit de corps* that makes Wills, Wills. After all of our hard strategic work, the news of this peer recognition is especially gratifying and humbling," said Julia A. Haller, MD, Wills Eye Hospital's Ophthalmologist-in-Chief.

*Doximity clinical reputation survey 2019-2020.

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11 WEDNESDAY

VISITING PROFESSOR

Cornea and External Disease

ANTHONY J. ALDAVE, MD

UCLA Jules Stein Eye Institute
Los Angeles, CA

OCTOBER 2019



17 THURSDAY

VISITING PROFESSOR

Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus

MANOJ V. PARULEKAR, MS, FRCS (OPHTH) ED, FRCOPHTH

Birmingham Women's and Children's Hospital
Birmingham, England

18 FRIDAY

37th Annual Joseph H. Calhoun, MD, Pediatric Ophthalmology Forum

ALEX V. LEVIN, MD, MHSC, FRCS
PROGRAM CHAIR

Faculty of Wills Eye Pediatric Ophthalmology and Ocular Genetics Service and Invited Guests

30 WEDNESDAY

VISITING PROFESSOR

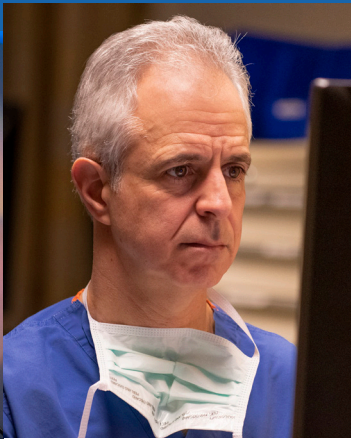
Neuro-Ophthalmology

JEFFREY G. ODEL, MD

Columbia University School of Medicine
New York, NY

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NOVEMBER 2019



2 SATURDAY

Retina Update

ARUNAN SIVALINGAM, MD
SUNIR J. GARG, MD
PROGRAM CHAIRS

Faculty of Wills Eye Retina Service
and Invited Guests

FEATURING
J. ARCH McNAMARA, MD
MEMORIAL LECTURE

ELIAS REICHEL, MD
New England Eye Center
Boston, MA

2 SATURDAY

See What I See: Virtual Reality Eye Disease Experience

PRESENTED BY THE AMERICAN
PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION
(APHA)

visit www.willseye.org/aphavcs
for more information

FEATURING
WILLS EYE PHYSICIANS
AND INVITED GUESTS

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16 SATURDAY

Cornea Update

BEERAN MEGHPARA, MD
PROGRAM CHAIR

Faculty of Wills Eye Cornea Service
and Invited Guests

20 WEDNESDAY

VISITING
PROFESSOR

Retina

J. TIMOTHY STOUT, MD, PHD, MBA

Baylor College of Medicine
Houston, TX

DECEMBER 2019

7 SATURDAY

Oculoplastics Update: Eyelid & Lacrimal Problems

THADDEUS D. NOWINSKI, MD
PROGRAM CHAIR

11 WEDNESDAY

VISITING PROFESSOR Glaucoma

PAUL HARASYMOWYCZ, MD
Hospital Maisonneuve-Rosemont
Montreal, QC, Canada

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Wills Eye Opens New Ophthalmic Surgical Training Lab

NEW FACILITY PROVIDES A HIGHLY SOPHISTICATED LEARNING ENVIRONMENT, TOOLS, AND TECHNOLOGIES



As a global leader in ophthalmology and the inheritor of an unmatched legacy in medical education, today's Wills Eye Hospital continues to reimagine the future of ophthalmic training. To ensure continued excellence in surgical training and supported by a \$1 million grant from the Benjamin & Mary Siddons Measey Foundation and the generosity of the Wills Eye Alumni Society, we are pleased to announce the opening of the new **William Maul Measey Ophthalmic Surgical Training ("MOST") Laboratory**.

The "MOST" Lab serves as a hub for education and training and provides:

- Enhancement of surgical training techniques simulation for recently developed and/or more complex surgical procedures/devices
- Opportunity for innovation and research in surgical technique and device development
- Increased access to and utilization of surgical training resources

THE NEW "MOST" LAB WILL SUPPORT THE WORK OF OUR ENTIRE LEARNING COMMUNITY AND INSPIRE THE NEXT GENERATION OF OPHTHALMIC INNOVATION

The "MOST" Lab enables residents to learn surgical concepts via updated curricula, dedicated didactics, surgical video review, and implementation via virtual simulation and tissue practice on the most advanced, state-of-the-art microsurgical equipment, using new devices and instruments as they are developed. This facility is also open to non-resident ophthalmologists for additional surgical training and will also provide space for innovative collaboration/device development.

Features Include:

- Nine new fully-equipped workstations
- State-of-the-art Haag-Streit microscopes
- Video and recording capabilities
- New EyeSi simulator
- Four phacoemulsification units
- Kitaro dry/wet lab system

For information about the MOST lab, please contact Marie Fiorillo at mfiorillo@willseye.org





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WEDNESDAY

VISITING PROFESSOR
Refractive

JOHN F. DOANE, MD, FACS
Discover Vision Centers
Leawood, KS

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SATURDAY

Ophthalmology for Pediatricians, Primary Care Physicians, & Other Allied Health Professionals

BRUCE M. SCHNALL, MD
PROGRAM CHAIR

Faculty of Wills Eye Pediatric Ophthalmology & Ocular Genetics Service and Invited Guests

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SATURDAY

Retina Update

RICHARD S. KAISER, MD
PROGRAM CHAIR

Faculty of Wills Eye Retina Service and Invited Guests

FEATURING
THE P. KENNETH NASE
MEMORIAL LECTURE

GEORGE A. WILLIAMS, MD
BEAUMONT EYE INSTITUTE
ROYAL OAK, MI
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT,
AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY

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SATURDAY

Glaucoma Update

MICHAEL J. PRO, MD
PROGRAM CHAIR

Faculty of Wills Eye
Glaucoma Service

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SATURDAY

Complicated Cataract Cases: A Multi-Disiplinary Approach

ROBERT D. LEHMAN, JR., MD
PROGRAM CHAIR

LIVE STREAMED

Visit willseye.org/webinars for more information or to register

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 29
TO WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

45th Annual Ophthalmology Review Course

RALPH C. EAGLE, JR., MD
PROGRAM CHAIR

To be held at the Philadelphia Marriott
Old City Hotel, Philadelphia, PA

Faculty of Wills Eye Hospital and
Invited Guests

For more information:
www.willseye.org/wills-eye-review-course



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WEDNESDAY

VISITING PROFESSOR
Pathology

DIVA REGINA SALOMAO, MD

Mayo Clinic
Rochester, MN

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SATURDAY

Orbital Update

ROBERT B. PENNE, MD, FACS
JURIJ R. BILYK, MD
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Surgery Service

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THURSDAY TO SATURDAY

Wills Eye Hospital 72nd Annual Wills Conference

SUNIR J. GARG, MD
PROGRAM CHAIR

To be held at the Philadelphia Marriott Old City Hotel, Philadelphia, PA

Jointly sponsored by the Wills Eye Hospital Department of CME and the Wills Eye Alumni Society

For more information:

www.willsconference.org or willsconference@willseye.org

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WEDNESDAY

VISITING PROFESSOR Cataract and Primary Eye Care

ELIZABETH YEU, MD
Virginia Eye Consultants
Norfolk, VA

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FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

11th Annual Wills Intraocular Tumor Symposium

CAROL L. SHIELDS, MD
PROGRAM CHAIR

Faculty of Wills Eye Ocular Oncology Service and Invited Guests

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SATURDAY

Cornea Update-Spring

KRISTIN M. HAMMERSMITH, MD
PARVEEN K. NAGRA, MD
PROGRAM CHAIRS

Faculty of Wills Eye Cornea Service



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Neuro-Ophthalmology Update

ROBERT C. SERGOTT, MD
PROGRAM CHAIR

Faculty of Wills Eye
Neuro-Ophthalmology Service



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SATURDAY

Anterior Segment Surgery Update

BRANDON D. AYRES, MD
DOUGLAS M. WISNER, MD
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Faculty of Wills Eye Cataract and Primary Eye Care and Cornea Services

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WEDNESDAY

VISITING PROFESSOR
Oculoplastics

JOHN J. MARTIN, JR., MD

Private Practice
Coral Gables, FL



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THEATRE



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WEDNESDAY

VISITING PROFESSOR
Academic Global Ophthalmology

FEATURING
THE DAVID M. PATON, MD
LECTURE

BENJAMIN W. ROBERTS, MD
TENWEK MISSION HOSPITAL
BOMET, KENYA

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Saturday, October 12

- 11:00am** The Future of Presbyopia Correction
Mark H. Blecher, MD
- 12:00pm** The Artificial Iris
Brandon D. Ayres, MD
- 1:00pm** Quick Tips on Reading Imaging for Intraocular Tumors
Carol L. Shields, MD and Jerry A. Shields, MD
- 2:00pm** Management of EBMD and Recurrent Erosions
Christopher J. Rapuano, MD
- 3:00pm** Academic Global Ophthalmology: Developing Partnerships Abroad
Brenton Finklea, MD

Sunday, October 13

- 11:00am** Glaucoma Surgery Nightmares
Marlene R. Moster, MD
My Glaucoma Patient Is Not Behaving As Expected! What Else Could Be Happening?
Mark L. Moster, MD
- 12:00pm** Update on the Management of Retinal Vein Occlusion
Julia A. Haller, MD
- 1:00pm** Retina 2020 and Beyond: Momentum for Cell and Gene Therapies
Allen C. Ho, MD
- 2:00pm** Clinicopathologic Correlations
Ralph C. Eagle Jr., MD
- 3:00pm** What Am I Doing Differently This Year For My Glaucoma Patients?
Jonathan S. Myers, MD



Wills Eye CME Satellite Symposia

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

Setting the Stage for Lowering IOP in Glaucoma: Solving the Mystery of Meds, MIGS, or Combination Treatment

PROGRAM CHAIR:
Jonathan S. Myers, MD Wills Eye Hospital

WILLS EYE FACULTY:
Natasha Nayak Kolomeyer, MD
Daniel Lee, MD

i 6:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.
Intercontinental San Francisco
Grand Ballroom B/C

Presented in conjunction with 


MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

Cases in Prevention: Where the Latest Research on Diabetic Retinopathy Meets the Real World

PROGRAM CHAIR:
Julia A. Haller, MD Wills Eye Hospital

FACULTY:
Srinivas R. Sadda, MD Doheny Eye Institute
Sunir J. Garg, MD Wills Eye Hospital
Charles Wykoff, MD, PhD
Retina Consultants of Houston

i 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Westin St. Francis
San Francisco on Union Square

Presented in conjunction with 

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At Wills Eye Hospital, improved access to education helps us to reach our goal of preserving sight and improving clinical care of patients with eye disease. Throughout the year, Wills Eye provides many opportunities to access online educational experiences.

CHIEFS ROUNDS

On Friday mornings at Wills Eye Hospital, tables are turned during Chiefs Rounds when residents present mystery cases to the Service Chiefs and Attending Physicians.

RETINAL IMAGING & SURGICAL RETINA CONFERENCES

The Retina conferences are an interactive and engaging forum where our Retina Fellows present images and videos of instructive cases and their management to the Attendings of Wills Eye Hospital.

Fridays, 7 am ET

CHIEFS ROUNDS

Wednesdays, 6:45 am ET (Bi-Weekly)

RETINAL IMAGING

6:30 am ET (Monthly)

SURGICAL RETINA

Registration required: willseye.org/webinars

Wills Eye Faculty Awards and Honors



Julia A. Haller, MD - EnergEYES Award from the American Academy of Ophthalmology in recognition of exemplary leadership skills and mentorship of young ophthalmologists. (November 2018)

Dr. Julia Haller, Ophthalmologist-in-Chief at Wills Eye, is one of the world's leading retina experts. She has dedicated her career not only to clinical care and research, but also to serving as an enthusiastic and effective educator and role model to residents and young physicians.



Jerry A. Shields, MD - Lucian Howe Medal from the American Ophthalmological Society for distinguished service throughout his career in ocular oncology and ophthalmology. (May 2019)

Dr. Jerry Shields, founder and director emeritus of the Ocular Oncology Service at Wills Eye, is a pioneer in the field of ocular oncology. He has taught and trained generations of clinicians and has been at the forefront in the treatment and cure for eye cancer.



Carol L. Shields, MD - J. Donald M. Gass Medal from The Macula Society for outstanding contribution in the study of macular diseases. (September 2019)

Dr. Carol Shields is Director of the Wills Ocular Oncology Service, a world-class center for the diagnosis and treatment of eye cancer. Nominated by her peers as one of the top 100 leaders in the field of ophthalmology. Dr. Shields is the recipient of numerous prestigious honors and awards.

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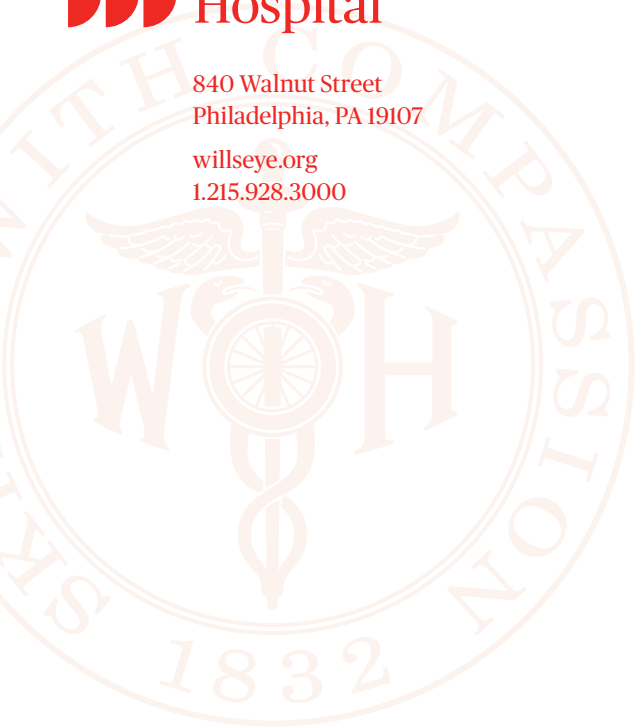


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