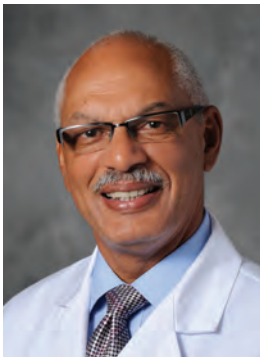


OPHTHALMOLOGY NEWS

Department of Ophthalmology Newsletter - Spring 2018



CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE



Paul Edwards, M.D.

I hope that spring has finally sprung! What a nasty winter we had! The weather, however, has not hampered the construction work taking place across the parking lot at One Ford Place. From my office window I can see the progress of the new Henry Ford Detroit Pistons Performance Center which will include a sports vision center. Major

construction is also underway across the boulevard from the Henry Ford Hospital for the new Brigitte Harris Cancer Pavilion. <https://www.henryford.com/services/cancer/new-henry-ford-cancer-pavilion>



Within our department, we are always looking for ways to improve. Our performance goals for 2018 include:

- Improve new patient access times by 50%, thus reducing the average number of days to be seen from 24 days down to 12 days
- Increase patient satisfaction scores
- Roll out our virtual care initiative to reduce the cost of care
- Improve employee wellness and engagement
- Increase resident scholarly activity

I am very happy to announce that we had a highly successful resident match this year. The following students will be joining our program in 2018 beginning with a one year internship through our combined transitional/ophthalmology program. They are Mariam Hamid, University of Michigan; Farhan Hussein, Wayne State University; Man Li Jin, SUNY Downstate; Daniel Kaitis, St. Louis University and Tyler Looyesen, University of North Dakota.

At this time our first year residents are in Houston for the Houston Basic Science Course. This program is supported by our Alumni Endowment Fund.



First year residents with David Guyton, M.D., nephew of Jack Guyton, M.D., former chair of the Department. From left: Taylor Fields, Laura Hahn Grant, David Guyton, Daniel Brill, Andrew Hou, and Candice Nofar Yousif

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Please save the date for our 40th Annual Alumni Day, Updates in Ophthalmology, to be held on Saturday, June 16, 2018. For more details, see page 7.

All the Best,
Paul A. Edwards, M.D.

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE



Steve Horger

For at least a decade, our department has proven a clear growth trajectory. We have seen significant increases in all services and plan to continue the pace for 2018 and beyond. As Henry Ford Health System unveils its new strategic plan, we want to be in lockstep with that growth.

In 2017 great strides were made in providing access for our patients including standardization of schedules and new patient visit types. We optimized schedules to streamline productivity, allowing us to grow in the areas we see the most potential.

Best,
Steve

Department Statistics	2017	2016
Gross Revenue	\$110,511,529	\$105,334,563
Patient Visits	124,187	117,076
Surgical Cases	6,279	6,521



Recently the Ophthalmology leadership team attended the Henry Ford's All Leader meeting, an energizing day which showcased some of the upcoming changes planned for the health system.

PATIENT STORIES

Dear Dr. Imami,

I am always impressed with the care I get every time I call, visit, have surgery, get tests, or take my children to any Henry Ford facility. Keep up the great work. Do not compromise on standards, ever. Strive for the best in service, supplies, training, and staff. What you can't see, affects care as much as what you can see. Let HFHS be top quality through and through! It shows! Thank you HFHS, and God bless and keep HFHS!

Sincerely,
Grateful Patient

I have always been very favorably impressed with Dr. Levine. He is highly qualified and does an outstanding job of explaining everything to me.

Sincerely,
Grateful Patient

Generally, I don't fill out surveys or inquiries. However, the way I was treated by Dr. Kumar and the staff was exceptional. The staff spoke highly of Dr. Kumar as someone with whom they appreciated working. It is obvious when someone enjoys their work environment. This carries over into patient care. I have and will tell others of my experience.

Sincerely,
Grateful Patient

The staff was very nice, the waiting room had videos, toys and even an area to climb! Dr. Dennehy and his staff, especially the person who does the initial exam and eye drops, are all really terrific with the kids they see. I highly recommend them.

Sincerely,
Grateful Patient

DONOR HIGHLIGHT

We are grateful for Carla and Jerry Teagan

Carla and Jerry Teagan can be described as extraordinary volunteers and generous philanthropists. Through the years, both have spent countless hours assisting many local and regional non-profits and organizations reach their goals of serving and supporting the underserved, such as children, the elderly and the visually challenged.

More than 20 years ago Carla, a registered nurse, learned of the DIO through her work at the Area Agency on Aging. Carla was impressed with the level of support and care provided by the DIO's Friends of Vision volunteers and its local support groups. With her desire to make a difference in the lives of those with vision loss, Carla soon became a tremendous asset. She served on the executive committee and has helped in many aspects of the support groups. Carla, known as the "Cookie Lady", and a team of volunteers, find great joy in providing home baked cookies for support group members at the annual Friends of Vision holiday party.

Jerry, a retired Detroit Free Press Chief Financial Officer, served on the former DIO Board of Directors and former Henry Ford Department of Ophthalmology Advisory Council. He has been providing transportation for support group members for more than 10 years. Like Carla, Jerry is also passionate about serving others as is evident in the numerous community boards he serves on and organizations he assists. Jerry cares deeply for the support group members and generously gives of his time driving members to meetings and outings. He is inspired by those who use the services of the DIO and the impact it has on the community and also how much it is appreciated by members, their families and caregivers.

The visually impaired community is grateful for the kindness and compassion of Carla and Jerry, while we are appreciative of their time and generosity. Thank you!

Thank you to all our generous donors. To learn more about supporting patient care, medical education and research through the Henry Ford Department of Ophthalmology please contact Maria Harrington, Henry Ford Development Office, at 313-874-6417 or mharrin2@hfhs.org or visit www.henryford.com/giving.



Carla Teagan, also known as the "Cookie Lady", distributing cookies at the annual Friends of Vision holiday party.



Jerry Teagan, wearing baseball hat, lending a hand at a Senior Support Group Field Trip.

NEWS AND NOTES

EyesOn Design Awards

Celebrating its 12th year, EyesOn Design helps raise money for the nonprofit Detroit Institute of Ophthalmology and focuses on style, how cars look. The awards themselves are elegantly designed and created using optical crystal.

At this year's EyesOn Design, lifetime design achievement honoree, Ed Welburn, Jr. presented his father Ed Welburn, Sr. with the 2018 Catalyst award. Mr. Welburn credited his dad, now 99 years old, with showing him how to illustrate cars, taking him to drag races and auto shows and working with him in the little shop they had in the basement of their home.

More than 30 of the best designers and academics in the auto business selected the winners from the first reveals at the 2018 North American International Auto Show on Tuesday, January 16. This year, the designers noticed that rich colors such as pearly white, gold and champagne are favored colors along with technology highlights such as LED tail lights that flash and dance and big trucks that have been sculpted more than ever before.

Pat Schiavone, an award judge and former Ford truck designer, said he noticed that one of the biggest changes is how much attention automakers are giving truck designs and how futuristic-looking cars are becoming. "There are some really interesting technologies that are having an impact on the aesthetics," he said. "It's a movement that's going to go somewhere. We're going to see cars that look like they should be flying."

2018 EyesOn Design Award Winners:

Designer Catalyst Award: Ed Welburn, Sr.

Best Concept Vehicle: Infiniti Q Inspiration

Best Production Vehicle: 2018 BMW X2

Best Designed Interior: Infiniti Q Inspiration

Best Designed User Experience: 2019 Ram 1500

Vehicle Harmonization: 2018 BMW X2

Innovative Use of Color: Nissan Xmotion

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For more information: <https://www.freep.com/story/money/cars/2018/01/16/eyeson-design-winners-detroit-auto-show-rich-colors-soft-lines-elegant-trucks/1035816001/>

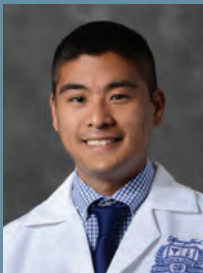
Alumni Connection

Staying connected with our Alumni is very important to the Department of Ophthalmology. With this in mind, please help us stay connected with you by keeping us informed of any contact information changes or updates in your journeys. We also welcome pictures and stories to share with current staff and fellow alumni. Please submit to Roseanne Horne, Program Coordinator, 313.936.1968, rhorne1@hfhs.org.

RESIDENTS

Class of 2021 Ophthalmology Residents

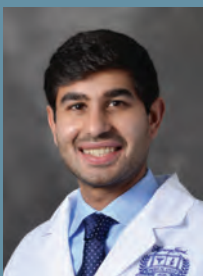
Please welcome the following First Year Residents who will start their Ophthalmology journey in July, 2018.



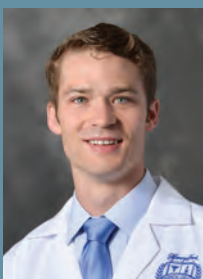
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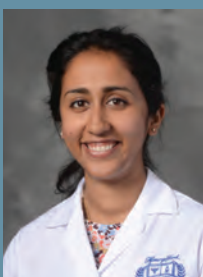
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Harvard University
University of Michigan

ALUMNI



Zaiba Malik, M.D.
Ophthalmologist

Dr. Malik, who completed an internship and Ophthalmology residency at Henry Ford Hospital, is currently staffing resident clinics and surgeries for the Department of

Ophthalmology at Kettering/Grandview Hospital in Ohio. She is also an assistant professor at Wright State University School of Medicine.

Dr. Malik is involved with educational and outreach programs, serving as a media spokesperson, writing articles, giving lectures, and delivering community presentations on important eye care issues. Her medical education endeavors also entail oral exam preparation for the Ophthalmology boards both privately and through the Osler Institute.

International health care and working in underdeveloped countries setting up sustainable health care is a passion of Dr. Malik's. Recently, she was invited to speak at the Second Annual Women Ophthalmologists Society meeting in Jaipur, India and was presented with Women Leads Award. To enhance and close out her trip she participated in training at various cataract centers and visited the Taj Mahal.



Dr. Malik at the Women Ophthalmologists Society meeting in Jaipur, India.

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TEAM MEMBER PROFILES



Poonam Bansal, M.D. As a child, whenever Dr. Bansal was asked about her life's aim, she would answer without slightest hesitation, "A Doctor". Her opportunity came when she secured admission at Nalanda Medical College, in Patna, Bihar, India. She then qualified, via a very competitive examination, for admission in Ophthalmology residency at Patna Medical College and Hospital. Dr. Bansal and her husband came to the United States to further their studies and careers. She did her fellowship in Neuro-ophthalmology at Henry Ford Hospital from Nov. 2011- June 2013 with Dr. Skarf and completed her Neurology residency at Wayne State University, graduating recently in 2017.

It was during medical school that Dr. Bansal became fascinated by the mechanics and functioning of the eye. She comments, "Though a very small part of the body, it is baffling that the eye receptors can transduce light signals along its axons enabling us to visually experience what we have around us." After an opportunity during medical school to attend an eye camp for cataract surgery organized by the Lions Club in India, it dawned on her that this was one of the noblest branches of medicine.

Dr. Bansal enjoys practicing Neuro-ophthalmology, a unique and highly specialized area of medicine. "It's very rewarding to me when I'm able to provide an answer and explanation to the patient and other physicians about the disease process affecting the patient's eye and/or brain." In addition to her Ophthalmology responsibilities, she practices Neurology for one week each month.



Matt Toigo, COT It wasn't until after he had completed two years at Henry Ford College, transferred to Ferris State University and managed a printing shop, that Matt Toigo became interested in Ophthalmology. He returned to Henry Ford College to study Ophthalmology. Matt did his clinical externship in a clinic in Pontiac, Michigan before starting his career at Henry Ford Health System. As a Certified Ophthalmic Technician (COT) Matt works in all the sub-specialties of Ophthalmology with a strong focus on cornea.

Matt enjoys the atmosphere at work, especially because he works with some of his classmates. He is also very proud that he "gets to help people get their sight back."

Of all the five senses, Matt believes vision is the most important. Matt knows first-hand that not everyone is fortunate to have full vision, such as his future father-in-law who is aphakic and has a prosthetic left eye.

Matt is encouraged by the advancements that have been made in the realm of ophthalmology, from clinical to surgical, and everything in between. He says, "The outcomes are very rewarding, knowing how we help people see every day." Matt finds the advancements of corneal transplantation most amazing. Listening to and being taught by Dr. Steen, Dr. Amin and Dr. Jaber about cross linking, PKP, DMEK and DSAEK, Matt says, "One can only imagine what the future holds."

On a personal note, Matt shared that in June of this year he will be a post-op kidney transplant recipient for 15 years. He thinks that may be why he likes corneal transplantation so much!

UPCOMING EVENTS

EyesOn Design Car Show 2018

What: **Vision Honored Black Tie Dinner**

Honoring Edward T. Welburn, Jr., Vice President Design, General Motors, (Retired).

When: June 15, 2018, 6:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Where: College for Creative Studies

General Motors Auditorium

More Information: eyesondesign.org/vision-honored/

What: **Private Eyes Brunch**

When: June 17, 2018, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Where: Edsel & Eleanor Ford House Front Lawn, Grosse Pointe Shores, Michigan

More Information: eyesondesign.org/carshow/

What: **The 31st Annual EyesOn Design Automotive Design Exhibition highlighting “Design Inspiration and Influences”.**

When: June 17, 2018, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Where: Edsel and Eleanor Ford House, Grosse Pointe Shores, Michigan

More Information: eyesondesign.org/carshow/

System-wide Grand Round Lecture Series

The Department of Ophthalmology hosts its ongoing lecture series to foster the exchange of ideas between colleagues and to provide continuing medical education opportunities on clinically relevant diagnostic and treatment methods, new surgical techniques with outcome measures and advanced research topics. Continuing Medical Education credits are available.

Friday, April 6, 2018

[Mahmoud A. Khaimi, M.D.](#)

Ophthalmologist

Dean McGee Eye Institute/University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, OK.

Save the Date

The Henry Ford Department of Ophthalmology presents:

Updates in Ophthalmology 40th Annual Alumni Day

Saturday, June 16, 2018

Buerki Auditorium / Henry Ford Hospital
Detroit Campus

Continuing Medical Education highlights include:

Jack S. Guyton Lectureship

Richard F. Spaide, M.D.

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Edward R. O'Malley, M.D.

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