

MWR BY THE NUMBERS (2025)

Total number of patient visits = 68,233

Total number of OCTs = 47,336

Total number of surgeries = 3013

Total number of FAs = 897

Total number of lasers/PDT = 2,715/30

Total number of ICGs = 37

Total number of injections = 33,511

Fellow Surgical Numbers

First year: Total cases 500; primary 200-250

Second year: Total cases 500; primary 300-350

Total: Attending cases 1000; primary 550-600

ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP

Founded in 2002, Midwest Retina (MWR) has grown quickly into the largest retina-only private practice in Central Ohio. MWR is excited to offer a two-year comprehensive fellowship in vitreoretinal diseases and surgery beginning July, 2026 and ending July, 2028. After rotating with eight physicians that come from a variety of different training backgrounds, the fellow will have gained a broad experience and feel comfortable managing cases from the simple to the most complex. In addition, two physicians each have additional fellowship experience/interest in the treatment of uveitis and in the treatment of pediatric vitreoretinal conditions.

CLINICAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- Rotations – Fellow will rotate amongst faculty every 2 months
- Weekly – At least two OR days with clinic on remaining days
- Practice Call (Retina Only) – q2 week call, fellows split the holidays; always attending back-up
- No fellow injection clinics
- No travel to satellite offices, only 4 main Columbus offices
- Moonlighting Opportunity at Grant and Mt. Carmel Hospitals

IN-HOUSE EDUCATION, RESEARCH, CONFERENCES

- Bi-monthly case conference at the board meeting
- Research/Clinical Studies
 - Encourage a project to be presented at a national meeting and published
 - Sub-investigator on multiple clinical studies
 - Useful if fellow decides to be PI in future practice
 - Current Studies
 - YOSEMITE – Roche - DME
 - PANDA – Conbercept - AMD
 - LUCERNE – Roche - AMD
 - KINGFISHER – Novartis - DME
 - PAGODA – Roche – DME
 - PULSAR – Regeneron – AMD
 - PHOTON – Regeneron – DME
 - RHONE-X – Roche – DME
 - AVONELLE-X – Roche – AMD
 - DREAM – OcuTerra – DR
 - Quasar – Bayer – RVO
- National Meetings
 - Retina Fellow Courses (Duke and Fellows Forum) and Meetings are encouraged and time is allotted within PTO
 - Reimbursement for travel if the fellow presents

COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS

Salary - \$75,404/year

Benefits

- Credentialing and Licensing – Application fees and dues covered
- Personal Liability Coverage – Provided, Occurrence Based
- Health Insurance – High Deductible HSA, MWR pays premiums
- Dental Insurance – MWR pays premiums
- Paid Time-Off – 12 days per year when MWR open (personal/meeting/ophthalmology boards)
 - Additional time if extraneous circumstance
- 9 Paid Holidays (Offices Closed)

RETINA ATTENDINGS

- Sugat Patel, MD (*Vancouver; Henry Ford*)
- Lou Chorich, MD (*Ohio State*)
- Dino Klisovic, MD (*Harvard; Tulane; Ohio State*)
- Lisa Borkowski, MD (*Northwestern*)
- Dominic Buzzacco, MD (*Midwest Retina; Ohio State*)
- Johnstone Kim, MD (*Kresge; Emory*)
- Vishal Parikh, MD (*Retina Institute; Cole*)
- Shivam Patel, MD (*Indiana University*)

PRIOR FELLOWS

- Dominic Buzzacco, MD 2012-2014 - Midwest Retina, OH
- Henry Holt, MD 2015-2017 - Retina of Coastal Carolina, NC
- Ana Suelves, MD, PhD 2017-2019 - Ohio State University, OH
- Dallin Andersen, MD 2020-2022 - Spokane Eye Clinic, WA
- Allen Gu, MD 2021-2023 – Associated Retina Consultants, AZ
- Bryan Strelow, MD 2022-2024 – Vistar Eye Center, VA
- Eric Ruff, MD 2023-2025 – Buffalo, NY

CURRENT FELLOWS

Zachary Unruh OD, MD – 2025-2027