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A large, semi-transparent blue banner with a background image of a woman's face, likely Dr. Sarah Kamal, looking through a medical instrument.

TENNESSEE RETINA WHAT'S NEW?

Dr. Sarah Kamal Joins Tennessee Retina!

Dr. Kamal is a fellowship-trained vitreoretinal specialist with expertise in the medical and surgical treatment of complex retinal conditions, including diabetic retinopathy, macular disorders, retinal vascular disease, retinal tears and detachments, and more.

She will be seeing patients at our **Nashville, Cookeville, and Murfreesboro** offices. We're excited to have her join our team and bring her expertise and compassionate approach to our patients.

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NEW OFFICE LOCATIONS

Our new, larger office spaces will give us the opportunity to provide exceptional retinal care in an even more comfortable and welcoming environment. With additional space and resources, these new locations will allow us to better serve our patients and enhance their overall experience.



New Dickson Office

**Now Open*

**7101 Ramsey Way,
Dickson, TN 37055**

Physician: Dr. Glover



New Columbia Office

Opening September 24th

**1040 N. James Campbell
Blvd., #107
Columbia, TN 38401**

**Physicians: Dr. Wallace
& Dr. Glover**

TENNESSEE RETINA NEWS & EVENTS

Dr. Carl Awh Honored with the 2026 ASRS Founders Award

> July 2026

Carl C. Awh, MD, FASRS, has been named the recipient of the 2026 American Society of Retina Specialists (ASRS) Founders Award, one of the organization's highest honors.

The ASRS Founders Award recognizes individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to the advancement of vitreoretinal surgery, research, innovation, and patient care.

Dr. Awh has served as an investigator in more than 130 clinical trials, developed numerous surgical innovations, and helped advance retinal care for patients around the world.

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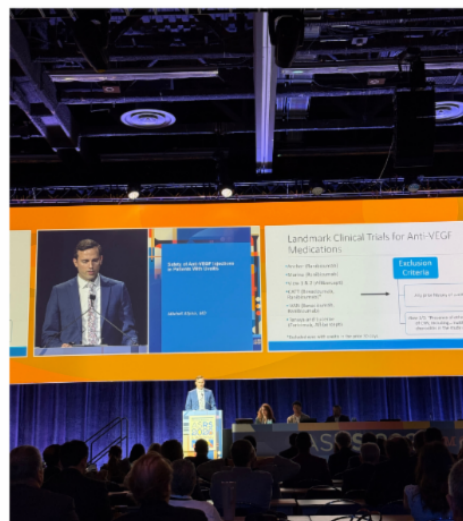


TNR Physicians Present at ASRS 2026

> July 2026

This year, Tennessee Retina was represented by five presenters whose work spanned a wide range of topics, including age-related macular degeneration, ocular oncology, retinal detachment, uveitis, and vitreoretinal surgery. We are proud of Drs. Awh, Schneider, Reichstein, Recchia, and Allphin for sharing their expertise with colleagues from around the world and contributing to this year's ASRS scientific program.

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Dr. Eric Schneider Presents ELARA Trial Data

> August 2026

Dr. Eric Schneider recently presented data from the Phase 3b ELARA clinical trial, highlighting outcomes associated with monthly aflibercept 8 mg in previously treated patients with neovascular age-related macular degeneration (wet AMD) and diabetic macular edema (DME).

Featured by Retina Today as part of EyeTube's ASRS 2026 meeting coverage, Dr. Schneider discussed the 24-week findings and what they may mean for treatment flexibility in certain patients with these retinal conditions.

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RESEARCH

Tennessee Retina proudly participates in a wide range of national research trials, helping to advance the field of retina care. Through ongoing clinical trials, we're able to offer patients access to new and potentially more effective treatments for serious retinal conditions.

If you have questions about our clinical trials, please contact our Research Department at 615-983-6000, **Option 6**.

Featured Enrolling Trials

Hyacinth

NCT07614776 | [Learn More](#)

The aim of this trial is to demonstrate similarity in efficacy between ABP 938 8 mg and aflibercept (US) 8 mg by evaluating the change in best corrected visual acuity (BCVA) in participants with neovascular age-related macular degeneration (nAMD)

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NCT06779773 | [Learn More](#)

This study is for people who have geographic atrophy due to age-related macular degeneration (AMD). AMD happens when the macula becomes damaged and causes a person's central vision to worsen. This study is about collecting information on how people with geographic atrophy are treated in routine clinical practice.

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NEW RESEARCH EXAMINES PEDIATRIC UVEITIS OUTCOMES

Dr. Akshay Thomas and TNR Fellow, Dr. Ogul E. Uner (contributing authors)

The study, "Demographic and Socioeconomic Associations with Outcomes in Pediatric Uveitis: An IRIS® Registry Study," was published in the [American Journal of Ophthalmology Case Reports](#) and utilized data from the American Academy of Ophthalmology's IRIS® (Intelligent Research in Sight) Registry—the nation's largest ophthalmic clinical data registry.

Pediatric uveitis is a rare but potentially sight-threatening inflammatory eye disease that can lead to serious complications if left untreated. Because many children experience few or no symptoms early in the disease, diagnosis and treatment can be challenging.

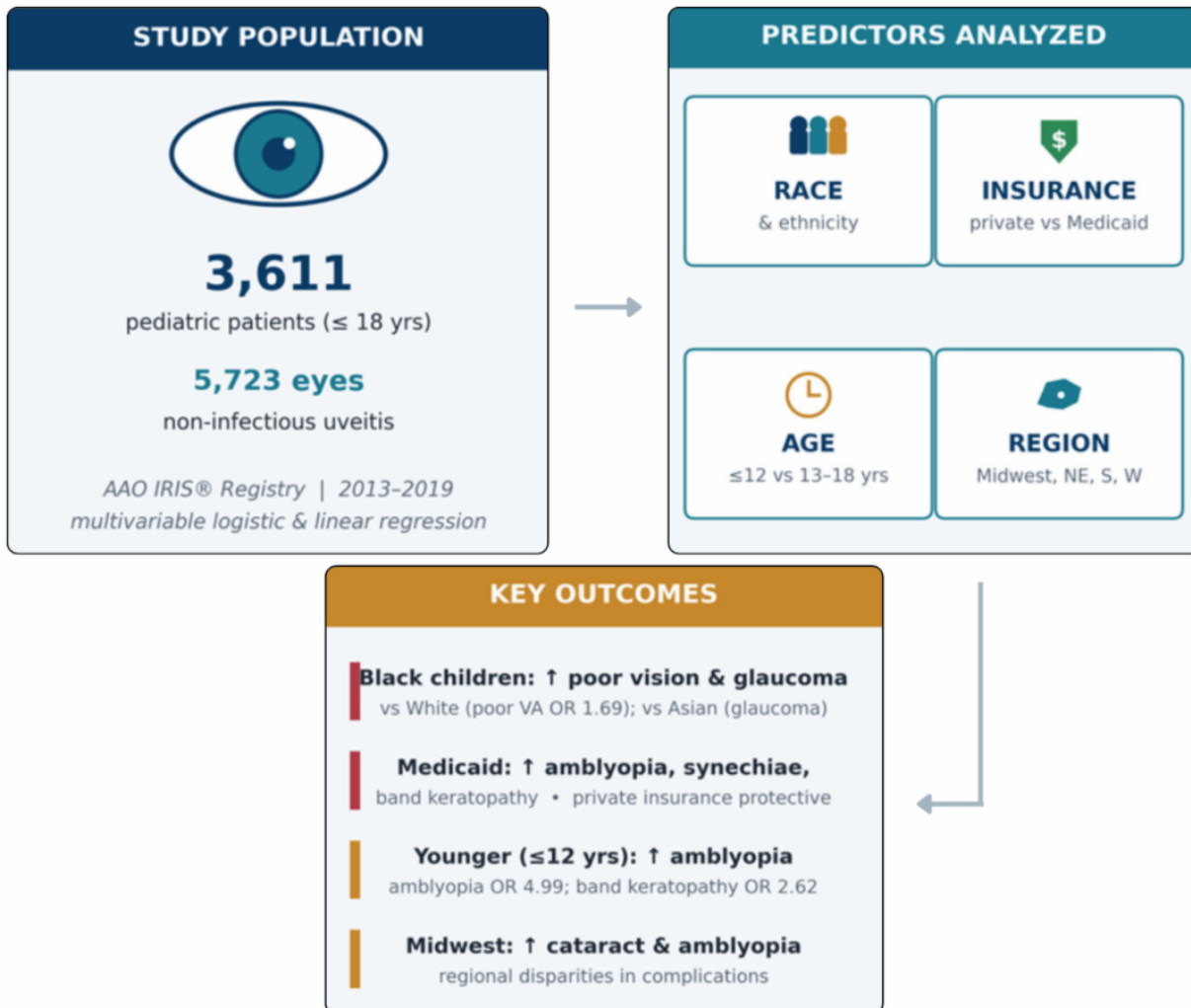
Using data from 3,611 children (5,723 eyes) diagnosed with non-infectious pediatric uveitis, researchers evaluated how factors such as age, race, geographic region, and insurance status were associated with visual outcomes, ocular complications, and the need for eye surgery.

The study found that demographic and socioeconomic factors were associated with differences in vision outcomes and the development of complications. For example, younger children, patients covered by Medicaid, and Black children experienced higher rates of certain vision-threatening complications and poorer visual outcomes. These findings underscore the important role that social determinants of health can play in pediatric eye care.

Supporting Better Care Through Research

Large-scale registry studies like this provide valuable insights that can help physicians better understand disease patterns, identify barriers to care, and improve outcomes for children affected by uveitis.

IRIS® Registry • 3,611 children (5,723 eyes) • 2013-2019



Social determinants of health - race, insurance, age, region - are independently associated with visual outcomes and complications

STEPS FOR REFFERING A PATIENT

To make it more convenient for you, we have multiple ways to refer to us.
Please remember to call our office if a patient requires urgent scheduling.
Additional information about these options can be found on our website at tnretina.com/refer-a-patient.

Our staff may ask you to upolad records by using our online form to help expedite scheduling or communications.

Urgent Referrals

URGENT REFERRALS: Please **CALL** for expedited scheduling and immediate assistance **to avoid delays in care for retinal emergencies!**

STEP 1

Schedule by Phone

Provider Line:
(615) 997-0055

STEP 2

Send Records

Provider Referral Fax:
(888) 818-0952

Online Upload:
[Click Here >](#)

Non-Urgent Referrals

All of these options work for referring non-urgent patients.

OPTION 1

Schedule by Phone

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OPTION 2

Send Us a Fax

Provider Referral Fax:
(888) 818-0952

Consultation Fax Form:
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OPTION 3

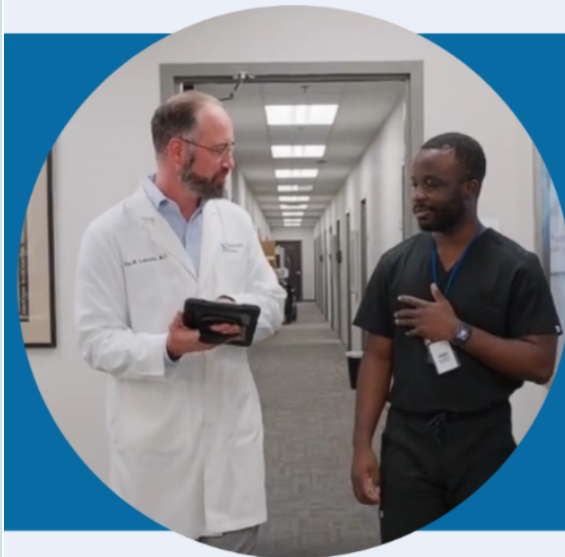
Request Online

Online Consult Request Form:
[Click Here >](#)

This form allows records and images to be uploaded, even after scheduling by phone.

When faxing a referral request, please use our convenient **Consultation Fax Form** along with your patient's records.

This form gives our Provider Services team valuable information for scheduling.



Partnering in Retina Care

We are committed to strong relationships with our referring providers, with a focus on timely, specialized retinal care and continuity of patient care.

As a retina-focused practice, we evaluate and manage medical and surgical retinal conditions. We **DO NOT** provide **neuro-ophthalmology services, glaucoma management, or routine refractions**. Patients requiring those services are best referred to the more closely aligned specialist for the diagnosis.

For retinal concerns, urgent cases, or questions, our Provider Services team and physicians are always available to assist.

For questions about any event or for other Provider assistance, contact the Director of Provider Relations, **Dena Beck** at dbeck@tnretina.com



We Want to Hear from YOU

We appreciate your feedback on the referral process. Let us know how we're doing. Please take our survey!

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