



Dr. Asha Balakrishnan (“Bala”) is a fellowship-trained cataract, cornea, and refractive surgeon and a board-certified ophthalmologist. She joins DLV after having served as the Director of the Cornea and Refractive Surgery Service and an Associate Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Louisville. While there, she founded the Laser Cataract Surgery and Premium Intraocular Lens Programs, and performed the first implantation of the newest Tecnis multifocal lens in the region in the Spring of 2015. She was in private practice in the Los Angeles area prior to joining the DLV team.

Educational Background

- Harvard University: A.B., Chemistry with Honors
- Washington University in St. Louis Medical School: Doctor of Medicine
- Washington University in St. Louis & Barnes Jewish Hospital: Internship, Internal Medicine
- University of Michigan Kellogg Eye Center: Ophthalmology
- Baylor College of Medicine: Cataract, Cornea, & Refractive Surgery Fellowship

Academic Pursuits

- Publications & commentaries in the Review of Ophthalmology, American Journal of Ophthalmology, Cataract & Refractive Surgery Today, MillennialEYE, International Ophthalmology Clinics, and the American Heart Journal.
- Presentations at the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology, the American Society of Cataract & Refractive Surgery, and the American Academy of Ophthalmology
- Active member of the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons, the American Academy of Ophthalmology, and the Cornea Society.

Scope of Practice & Services Offered

- Cataract Surgery
- Laser-Assisted Cataract Surgery
- Premium Intraocular Lens Implantation
- Complex Cataract Surgery
- Sutured Intraocular Lenses & Intraocular Lens Exchanges
- LASIK, PRK, SMILE
- Refractive Lens Exchange
- Phakic IOL (ICL)
- Corneal Collagen Crosslinking
- Corneal Transplants (PK, DALK, DSEK, DMEK)
- Iris Repair
- Ocular Surface Reconstruction



In her spare time, Dr. Balakrishnan is an avid tennis player, fitness fan, and animal lover. She has dedicated her time to a variety of services and outreach initiatives over the years.