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Ocular Oncology Service by Carol Shields MD

The Ocular Oncology Service is a world-class center for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of eye tumors and cancers. This department is the largest eye cancer center in the United States and provides care for patients with common and rare cancers, many of which are serious life-threatening conditions. The Service manages over 2,300 new patients each year from many cities across the USA and many countries around the world. Patients are referred from countries like India, Australia, Brazil, and many others with tumors that can only be managed by the expertise available on the Ocular Oncology Service.

For fifty years, the Ocular Oncology Service has been providing excellence in eye care and cutting-edge treatments. They were among the first in the world to use plaque radiotherapy to treat eye cancers and have spent four decades perfecting this popular focal radiotherapy method, particularly for melanoma of the eye.



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50 Years FIGHTING FOR LIFE & SIGHT



Jerry A Shields MD is Director Emeritus of the Ocular Oncology Service at Wills Eye Hospital and Professor of Ophthalmology at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia.

He was born in Pride Station, Union County Kentucky in 1937. He was the youngest of 8 children and attended Sturgis High School. He graduated from Murray State in 1960 and was president of his freshman and sophomore classes, he was very active at Murray. He graduated from the University of Michigan Medical School in 1964 and then completed an internship at Denver General Hospital in Colorado. After that he then served for one year as a Battalion Surgeon with the United States Marine Corps in Vietnam and a year with the US Navy in Europe mainly in Naples, Italy. He was a resident in Ophthalmology at Wills Eye Hospital in Philadelphia and also completed fellowships in Ophthalmic Pathology at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology in Washington DC and a year doing retinal surgery at Wills Eye Hospital. In 1974 he established the Ocular Oncology Service at Wills Eye Hospital.

For more than 50 years, Dr Shields has been active in the care of patients with cancers of the eyelids, conjunctiva, intraocular structures, and orbit and has pioneered new methods of diagnosis and treatment of eye cancers and related conditions.

He has authored or co-authored 2000 articles in peer reviewed journals and many textbook chapters for a total of 2000 scientific publications. He has authored or co-authored 13 textbooks including the highly popular Atlas of Intraocular Tumors and the Atlas of Eyelid, Conjunctiva, and Orbital Tumors. He has given 1600 national and international lectures including 82 prestigious named lectures. In 2012, he was honored by the establishment of the Jerry A Shields Lecture given annually at the annual meeting of the Asian Pacific Society of Ophthalmology.

To honor the contributions and legacy of Dr Jerry A Shields and to support the groundbreaking research initiatives the Ocular Oncology Service continues, we have founded the Jerry A Shields MD Eye Cancer Fund. This fund is dedicated to funding research projects within Ocular Oncology. By focusing on this area, we aim to contribute to advancements that will impact the lives of countless individuals facing similar challenges. Donations to the fund will support researchers, provide necessary resources, and facilitate the development of innovative treatments.



Dr Shields has served on editorial boards for 14 scientific journals. He was an organizer and first President of the International Society of Ocular Oncology, President of the Macula Society and President of the Ophthalmic Club of Philadelphia. He recently was the recipient of an endowed Chair at Wills Eye Hospital at Thomas Jefferson University.

Dr Shields is married to **Dr Carol L Shields MD** who trained with him in ocular oncology. She has also made many major scientific contributions and has received numerous academic honors and awards and is **recognized internationally for her numerous achievements**.

Dr Sara E Lally MD has trained under the watchful eye of Drs Jerry and Carol Shields and has made immense contributions to eye cancer research.