

SHORT C.V. OF DR.GIRIDHAR ANANTHARAMAN

Dr.Giridhar Anantharaman is the Medical Director and Chief of Vitreo Retinal Services at Giridhar Eye Institute located in Cochin, Kerala, India. After pursuing his under graduate and post graduate medical education at Jawaharlal Institute of Post Graduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER), he completed his fellowship in Vitreo Retinal Surgery at Sankara Netralaya, Chennai and subsequently moved to Cochin, Kerala where he established one of the first Vitreo Retinal surgical centres in the State. Today, with over three decades of experience as a practicing Vitreo Retinal Surgeon, he is one of the pioneers in this field in the State of Kerala. His primary area of interest is Vitreo retinal surgery for advanced diabetic retinopathy, macular surgery and retinal imaging. He runs a Vitreo Retinal Surgical fellowship programme at his institute and has trained about 20 young ophthalmologists in Vitreo Retina Surgery. He is a keen academician and delivered over 200 lectures in various meetings and conferences. He has over 18 published articles in peer reviewed journals. He is presently a member of editorial board of Indian Journal of Ophthalmology. He has undertaken various community related activities to create awareness about diabetic retinopathy in rural areas. In this context he has received XOVA (eXcellence in Ophthalmology Vision Award) Award in the year 2011 conferred by European School for Advanced Study in Ophthalmology (ESASO) for a project titled “Kerala Comprehensive Diabetic Retinopathy Training Model”. This was a unique project to create awareness in patients with diabetes by training primary health workers called ASHA workers in remote and geographically inaccessible areas of the state. He is a recipient of J.S.Pahwa Award from Vitreo Retinal Society of India and Dr.C.E.Oommen oration award by the Kerala Society of Ophthalmic Surgeon. He was recently been conferred APAO Distinguished Service Award by the Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology. He is presently the Vice President of Vitreo Retinal Society-India.
