



BASTIAN VOICE INSTITUTE *for voice, swallowing & airway disorders*

Dear Colleague:

As founder and former director of Loyola Voice Institute, I am pleased to announce the grand opening of a new entity: **Bastian Voice Institute (BVI)**. BVI is an independent and unique specialty practice dedicated to voice, swallowing, and airway disorders in the adult population.

After concluding a successful 16-year career at Loyola University of Chicago, I opened my own Institute, convinced that I could pursue my triple passions of patient care, teaching, and research equally effectively at **BVI** and **Good Samaritan Hospital**.

Along with **Brent Richardson, M.D.**, former Assistant Professor of Otolaryngology at Loyola, and speech pathologist **Marina Gilman, M.A., M.S., CCC-SLP**, I have created a contemporary, spacious, state-of-the-art facility conveniently located in Downers Grove, with easy access to Interstates 88, 294, and 355.

We are eager to continue to serve you and your patients' needs at **BVI**. Our special interests and capabilities include:

- **Video-endoscopy, videostroboscopy, and trans-nasal esophagoscopy.**
- **Diagnosis and treatment of spasmodic dysphonia**, including botox injections—and other rare neurological disorders.
- **Larynx cancer treatment**, with special expertise in laser surgery for both early and advanced disease.
- **Microsurgery of the vocal folds**, incorporating a combined experience with well over 500 singers as well as other voice professionals.
- **BVI-based laboratory procedures on the laryngopharynx**, for convenient and cost-effective staging and biopsy of suspected tumors; injection of collagen products, gelfoam, Teflon, triamcinolone, and so forth, as appropriate.
- **Laryngeal papillomatosis in adults**, with a caseload of approximately 120, including recent long-term remissions with the adjunctive use of intralesional cidofovir injections.
- **Evaluation and treatment of airway stenosis in adults.**
- **Vocal fold paralysis rehabilitation** via injection and / or medialization laryngoplasty.
- **Swallowing disorder evaluation and treatment**, including the video-endoscopic swallowing study (VESS) pioneered by Dr. Bastian, and endoscopic or open cricopharyngeus myotomy for cricopharyngeus dysfunction +/- Zenker's diverticulum.
- **Diagnosis and treatment of non-organic voice and breathing disorders.**

Our pledge is to continue to provide the highest possible level of patient care and consideration, along with prompt and continuing reports to consulting physicians and speech pathologists.

Sincerely,

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