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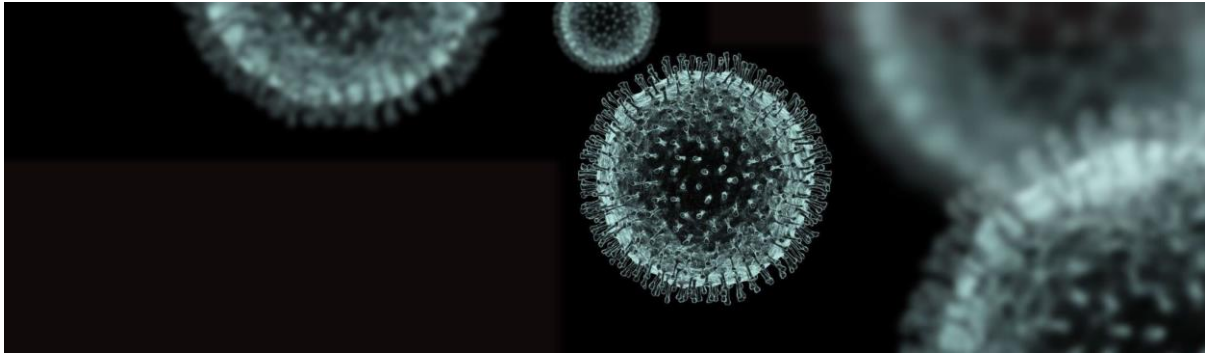


Last chance to register for SRC Mini: Myopia

There's only two days left to register for one of your last chances to get CPD hours before the 30 November AHPRA registration renewal deadline. The first in a series of one-day mini conferences, SRC Mini: Myopia will be held on Sunday 21 November, from 9am-3.30pm (AEDT). Host Cassandra Haines will guide us through a [bumper program](#) of speakers including James S Wolffsohn, Sam Hobbs, Dr Alexandra Jaworski, Dr Pauline Kang, Dr Nellie Deen and Timothy Martin.

The program has up to 7.5 hours of CPD (with assessment), including up to 3 therapeutic hours of CPD (with assessment) and up to 3 hours of interactive/ therapeutic CPD (with assessment). For only \$99 for members and \$269 for non-members, [why not register now!](#)

COVID-19 AND OPTOMETRY



We are closely monitoring announcements about a further easing of restrictions in Victoria. Changes, which are due to come into effect when Victoria hits its 90% vaccination target for over 12s, are expected in the coming days.

As always, we will be liaising with the Chief Allied Health Officer to bring you up-to-date information about what this means for you and your practise, direct to your inbox. Watch this space.

LATEST NEWS



CARN optometry information session for students

The Community and Research Network (CARN) will host an interactive online session aimed at students on the topic of optometry, next Monday. The CARN is a network of health professionals, health consumers, researchers and interested community members, seeking to share their expertise and experience to promote good health and wellbeing. During the session you'll hear from two PhD students from Deakin University who will talk about their research.

Tim Murphy will explain his research into diabetic retinopathy. He will discuss how building on the images generated from artificial intelligence research and using multiple image processing techniques, can better understand where damage occurs most often.

Jacqueline Kirkman will present her research on what factors influence optometry clinical placements success and satisfaction from the perspective of optometry students, and how this research may lead to improved development of placement programs not only for optometry students, but other health professions.

The session is aimed at students, but everyone in both Victoria and South Australia are welcome to attend. It will be held on Monday, 22 November, 12-1pm (AEDT). [Book your place now.](#)

Vision Initiative to host panel on integrating eyecare into diabetes care

To celebrate [World Diabetes Day 2021](#), Vision Initiative will host a FREE online panel to discuss integrating eye care into diabetes care, especially for people who experience additional barriers to accessing health care. The discussion is designed for primary and community health professionals, with the aim to support your patients who live with diabetes.

The FREE online webinar will be hosted by Patricia Sparrow, CEO of Vision 2020 Australia and Vision Initiative. You'll also hear from:

- Ashley Ng, Lecturer in Dietetics and Nutrition at La Trobe University
- Colin Mitchell, Aboriginal Liaison Officer from Diabetes Victoria
- Jo Croft, Eye Health Educator from Sight for All
- Mandy Truong, Public health researcher and educator

The event is open to everyone in both Victoria and South Australia, and will be held on Tuesday, 23 November from 4-5.30pm (AEDT). [Book your place now.](#)

RESEARCH

Participants wanted for clinical trials

Adelaide Eye & Retina Centre is participating in multiple clinical trials and is enrolling patients with the following conditions:

- Wet Age-Related Macula Degeneration
- Diabetic Macula Oedema
- Retinal Vein Occlusion
- Ocular Hypertension

If you have a patient with any of the above conditions and feel they would be interested in participating in a clinical trial, please refer to them by phone on 08 8212 3022 or [Oculo](#). If you have any questions, contact trials coordinator Kerin on khaywood@adelaideeye.com.au

CPD AND EVENTS

ECOV/SA Neuro-optometry webinar

The ECOV/SA Committee is hosting a Neuro-optometry virtual CPD session on 29 November, from 6.30-8.30pm (AEDT). Aimed at early career optometrists, the FREE seminar will focus on the ocular presentation and assessment of neurological conditions.

Come along and hear Dr Jeremiah Lim discuss how to triage the urgency of a neurological condition, and how different imaging modalities can help differentiate conditions with similar presentations.

You'll also hear from Dr Rahul Chakrabarti who will discuss traumatic optic neuropathy, ocular manifestations in patients with cerebrovascular accidents, and ocular manifestations of acquired head injury.

This event is free for OV/SA members. [Registration is essential.](#)



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