



May 2021

ALDOO research meeting

The <u>Latin America Association of Optometrists and Opticians'</u> (ALDOO) Health Committee organized a meeting via Zoom alongside country members and key people from optometry schools (1 May).



The first approach focused on promoting research in optometric schools and exploring support from industry and non-governmental organizations (NGOs). Invited speakers who took part in the online session were **Kovin Naidoo**, **David Piñero**, IACLE's Americas Regional Coordinator **Guillermo Carrillo**, and IACLE members **Dr Juan Carlos Aragon** and **Dr Edgar Davila**. Tips for initiating research, industry perspectives on research and IACLE's <u>Research Update</u> were amongst the topics of discussion. A total of 85 participants took part in the meeting.

Members can catch-up on all Spanish-speaking webinars through IACLETOP

Bausch + Lomb industry session



<u>Bausch + Lomb</u> in the Andes region hosted an industry session on orthokeratology (14 April). **Dr Daniel Torres**, **Alejandro Tapia** and **Guillermo Carrillo** led the webinar. Topics such as how to choose the right patient to start with ortho-k, how to fit ortho-k lenses, and the risks ECPs need to know, were discussed. The event reached more than 100 eyecare practitioners.

IACLE LA Office on the radio – IACLE in the world

Every week, Americas Regional Coordinator **Guillermo Carrillo** interviews IACLE members from across the Latin America region on different contact lens topics, thanks to the sponsorship of <u>www.franjavisualradio.com</u>.

Members from different parts of the region participate and share their experiences on the education markets. This month's topics were: 'When contact lens contraindications are saved', led by Vanesa Sigrist, who shared an experience with a patient who had Graves' disease and her successful management with daily disposable contact lenses. Professor Francisco Ibarra spoke on 'How to induce students into successful contact lens practice', who encouraged educators to record their classes to achieve a fruitful experience for students. Zuley Cañon discussed 'How to manage contact lens discomfort', and finally, Dr Martha Marquez led a session on 'Humanization as the core axis to achieve quality of care'. Martha gave 10 tips for achieving a more humane treatment for patients.

We appreciate the active support and participation of our members and invite you to join us every Wednesday throughout 2021 to discuss contact lens-related topics. A special thanks to <u>Grupo Franja</u> for sponsoring the program.

