



Global Member Newsletter

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WHAT'S NEW AT IACLE?

Register now and prepare for 2019 Fellowship Exam

Would you like to achieve FIACLE status and add more letters after your name? Registration is open for this year's Fellowship Exam, to be held on **Saturday 16 November**. The 2019 administration is the first for which the [New Distance Learning Program](#) (DLP) is available to members to prepare for the exam. Each phase of the New DLP requires the completion of up to four assignments.

Find out more and register for the exam [here](#) by 30 June

Research theme for May meeting in the UK

Interested in research? Then the IACLE / BUCCLE Education Day is for you. The event takes place in Manchester, UK on **Wednesday 29 May** and is organized jointly by IACLE and the [British & Irish University & College Contact Lens Educators](#) to precede the [British Contact Lens Association Clinical Conference & Exhibition](#) (30 May – 1 June).

Click [here](#) to see the program for Education Day and email s.allen@iacle.org to register

COMING SOON Winners of the 2019 IACLE Awards

Judging for the 2019 IACLE Awards is under way and recipients will be announced soon. There will be seven Awards this year – three to the IACLE Contact Lens Educators of the Year and four IACLE Travel Awards to mark our 40th Anniversary. The Awards will be presented at major international meetings during the year. The [British Contact Lens Association](#) and [Association of Optometric Contact Lens Educators](#) will be among those supporting the IACLE Awards this year. CooperVision will again sponsor the Educator Awards.

Find out more about the IACLE Awards [here](#)

40TH ANNIVERSARY NEWS

40th presentations begin at events worldwide

Our 40th year events will take place at regional and national meetings worldwide during 2019, as well as at four major international meetings. This month will see the first celebrations in the Asia Pacific and Latin American regions. Our 40th Anniversary slide presentation features this image (courtesy of [Brien Holden Vision Institute](#)) of founding members (front left to right) **Brien Holden, Des Fonn** and **George Mertz** in Monte Carlo, Monaco in November 1979, when IACLE's first meeting was held.

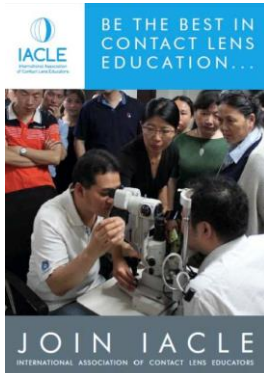
Find more resources to download and news of our 40th Anniversary [here](#)

2019 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOW DUE

All members should now have received notices to renew their annual membership. Access to our **full range** of membership benefits – including the [New IACLE Contact Lens Course](#) – is only available to IACLE members. If you have not received your renewal notice, please contact your [local IACLE office](#). **Membership expires when payment is not received.**

This year you can also make an additional voluntary donation to mark IACLE's 40th year and be acknowledged on our website. Look out for more details in your membership renewal notice.

RECOMMEND A FRIEND



Do you have colleagues in your institution, or other institutions, who would benefit from IACLE membership?

If so, **with their permission**, please supply their names and email addresses to Director of Administration **Siobhan Allen** at s.allen@iacle.org. We will contact them to explain [what IACLE can do for them personally](#) and [what IACLE can do for their institutions](#), and suggest that they become members.

Leaflets and posters promoting IACLE membership can be downloaded from our website [here](#)

MEET A MEMBER

Meet **Semin Hong**, director of studies at [Shinsung University](#) in Daejeon, Korea. 'IACLE modules are very helpful for my contact lens classes,' says Semin, who worked for 10 years in optical practice and in contact lens manufacturing before taking on a teaching role. Semin has this simple tip to hand on to colleagues: 'Practice is the best method for understanding theory!' Outside work, his interests are golf and other outdoor sports, and he loves to exercise and try new activities.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO IACLE MEMBERS WORLDWIDE? We're looking for more members to take part in Meet a Member. Contact your regional / country coordinator [here](#) for details.

IMAGE OF THE MONTH

Hybrid contact lens fitting

These images were captured by Colombian member **Oscar Bello** of Nueva Luz Optica in Medellín, Colombia, using 10X slit-lamp magnification and a smartphone. The images show a slit-lamp optical section of the profile of a hybrid contact lens (left) and the fluorescein pattern with cobalt blue illumination and a yellow filter (right).

SUBMIT YOUR IMAGES NOW FOR THE 2019 IACLE IMAGE COLLECTION. Download a submission form [here](#).

RESOURCES



NEW International Myopia Institute White Papers

More than 85 global experts – including several FIACLEs – have contributed to eight White Papers covering aspects of myopia, published in a special edition of [Investigative Ophthalmology & Visual](#)

[Science](#). Developed by the [International Myopia Institute](#) (IMI), the papers summarize evidence from reports and peer-reviewed studies.

Download the White Papers [here](#) and look out for our review in April's Research Update



NEW GPLI webinar on myopia control

Myopia specialist **Dr Jeff Walline** of [The Ohio State University](#) is the latest educator to contribute a webinar to the [GP Lens Institute](#). Presented at the 2019 [Global Specialty Lens Symposium](#) in January, the talk includes advice on talking to parents about myopia control options and how myopia progression can be slowed.

Watch Dr Walline's GPLI webinar [here](#)



NEW CDC resources on healthy contact lens habits

'Spring into Action' is a new campaign by the US [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC) to promote healthy contact lens habits, launched this month to coincide with US universities' spring break. The [American Academy of Ophthalmology](#) (AAO) also has a one-minute animated video outlining 'Eight steps to protect your sight from contact lens infection.'

Access the CDC campaign resources [here](#) and find the AAO video [here](#)

GLOBAL UPDATE

Americas



FIACLEs take the lead at meeting in Argentina

FIACLEs **Eduardo Salischiker**, **Eduardo Elvira**, **Sabrina Lara** and **Juan Pablo Luna** (pictured left to right) represented IACLE at the [14th Jornadas de Óptica](#) meeting in Córdoba city, Argentina this month (15 and 16 March). The group will offer 1.5 hours of lectures on 'Contact lenses and dry eye' and 'Pediatric contact lens fitting', along with 3 hours of workshops on 'Scleral lenses' and 'Biomicroscopy'. The event attracted around 200 attendees.

Read a full report from Guillermo Carrillo [here](#)

Asia Pacific

UP is latest venue for IACLE India Industry Days

IACLE India organized an Industry Day for the Department of Optometry at [Uttar Pradesh University of Medical Sciences](#) (UPUMS) in Saifai this month (2 March). FIACLE **Pushpendra Singh** (pictured), Senior Manager Professional Services at Bausch + Lomb India, delivered various talks followed by a hands-on session. IACLE members **Dr Kamal Pant** (Dean and Head of Department), **Aditya Tripathi**, **Gaurav Dubey** and **Priti Yadav** joined the 130 students attending. Mr Singh was also a speaker at an Industry Seminar at

Galgotias University in Uttar Pradesh (13 February), along with FIACLE **Khemraj Nackwal**. This event was attended by 74 students and five educators, including IACLE member **Vikas Shrivastava**.

Europe / Africa – Middle East



NEW BCLA to feature session of international perspectives 'Highlights of 2019: International Perspectives' is among the special features of the [British Contact Lens Association](#)'s Clinical Conference program, which is now available online. IACLE President **Dr Shehzad**

Naroo will chair the session of 10-minute presentations from seven countries. Keynote speakers for BCLA 2019 will be **Dr Nicole Carnt** (Australia), FIACLE **Professor Lyndon Jones** (Canada), **Professor Eric Papas** (Australia) and **Dr Jeff Walline** (USA). Early-bird registration rates apply for bookings **before 31 March**. The conference runs from 30 May – 1 June at Manchester Central.

For full details of the BCLA program and registration click [here](#)

IACLE members join program for Rome 2019

Members **Philippe Seira** (Switzerland), **Stefan Bandlitz** (Germany) and **David Berkow** (Israel) will be among the speakers the [European Academy of Optometry and Optics](#) (EAOO) Annual Conference in Rome (18-20 May). An IACLE Educator Meeting to coincide with the conference will run on **Friday 17 May** at [Università Roma Tre](#). Italian FIACLE **Fabrizio Zeri** (pictured) is organizing the IACLE program, to be released soon.

Find the Rome 2019 preliminary program [here](#) and email s.allen@iacle.org to attend the IACLE meeting

Crossing continents: from Tennessee to Ghana

FIACLE **Dr Deepa Chandrasekaran** from the [Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt](#) in Tennessee, USA will be travelling to Ghana in November, following an appeal for help in our December 2018 newsletter. Deepa will visit [Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology](#), Kumasi, to train students on how to fit contact lenses. Her visit, and other support, is being coordinated by **Dr Dan Twelker** of the [University of Arizona](#), Department of Ophthalmology and Vision Science.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 20-21 March – Vision Expo, New York, USA. Details [here](#).
- 20-24 March – 49th National Congress of the Ophthalmological Society of South Africa, Cape Town. Details [here](#).
- 28-30 March – Congreso Latinoamericano Control de Miopia y Orto-K, Puerto Iguazú, Argentina. Details [here](#).
- 30-31 March – Optometry Australia Wave'19, Perth. Details [here](#).

A full schedule of IACLE and other events in 2019 is now available at [Meetings & Conferences](#).

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