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Contact Lens Technology webinar – China

Moderated by IACLE China Coordinator **Professor Wang Haiying**, the IACLE China Team hosted a webinar focusing on advancements in contact lens technology and eye health (11 July). During the webinar, Professor Wang delivered a presentation on the dry eye environment and the progress made in contact lens technology. This talk set the foundation for the subsequent



discussions on cutting-edge developments in the field.

Professor Jin Wanqing from <u>Wenzhou Medical University</u> introduced a new silicone hydrogel material used in contact lenses to enhance comfort and performance, contributing to better eye health for contact lens wearers. **Professor Qu Xiaomei** from <u>Fudan University's</u> EENT department in Shanghai, China, discussed bionic technology within the contact lens nursing system. A total of 258 members attended the webinar.

Summer Teacher Training Program – China



As part of the Summer Teacher Training Program within the China Optometry Development Education Program, China National Coordinator **Professor Wang Haiying** introduced IACLE to 39 educators from 32 optometry schools (15 July). During the session, Professor Wang provided an in-depth overview of the Teach. Learn. Connect. Initiative, the

membership application process, and the educational resources available to members. The attending contact lens educators saw IACLE's value and expressed an interest in membership.

The introduction to IACLE was met with great interest and appreciation. It further reinforced the commitment of the participating teachers to continuous professional development and the improvement of contact lens education in China. Through their active engagement with IACLE, the teachers envisioned a positive impact on the quality of contact lens education in their respective institutions, benefiting both students and educators.

Member meeting and Train-the-Trainer Program – South Korea



IACLE Korea Coordinator **Professor Jessica Park** held a member's meeting and a Train-the-Trainer Program at Mauna Ocean Resort in South Korea, covering a 2023 update on IACLE and myopia management using contact lenses with NICLC (7 July).

FIACLE **Professor Hyeong-Su Kim** followed with a lecture on 'How to teach contact lenses online', utilizing applications and online programs. **Soo-Kyung Nam** introduced the curriculum for beginners in contact lens practice, providing insights into O Lens, Korea's largest contact lens franchise. **Professor Woo-Yeong Jang** reviewed the attendance at IACLE's 4th World Congress and the BCLA's Clinical Conference & Exhibition,

emphasizing their value to educators. He proposed increased participation of Korean members at IACLE global meetings moving forward.

Finally, Professor Park explained how to use IACLETOP, addressing any questions. A total of 25 members attended the session with Korean Bausch + Lomb representative **Hyeong-Jun Kim** and Lifetime FIACLE **Joon-Sang Lee** among the attendees.

