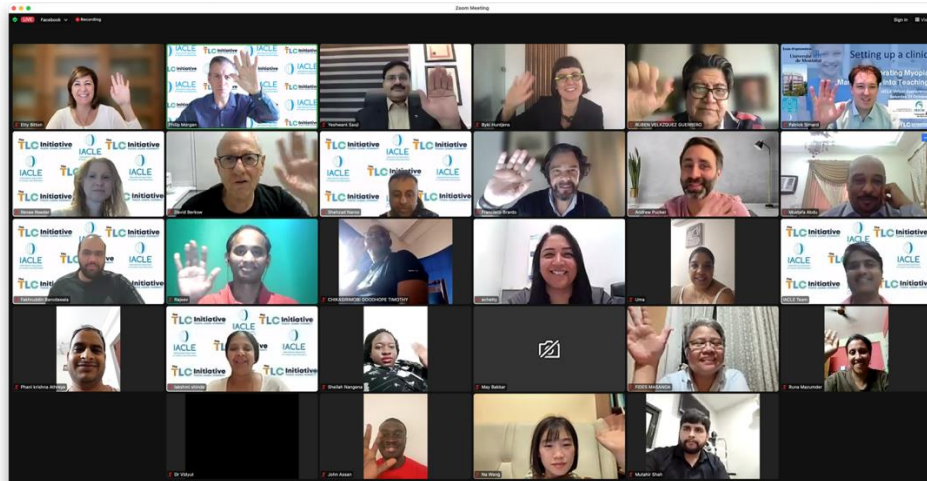


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‘Incorporating Myopia Management into Teaching’ – IACLE’s 6th Global Virtual Conference



Centered around the theme ‘Incorporating myopia management into teaching’, IACLE’s [6th Virtual Conference](#) drew approximately 90 global delegates. Responding to educators’ needs, the conference focused on the educational dimension of myopia management rather than its usual clinical aspects. Esteemed experts in myopia and education shared their insights.

IACLE President **Professor Philip Morgan** welcomed the half-day event, which was chaired by IACLE Director **Dr Byki Huntjens** and Secretary / Treasurer **Professor Etty Bitton**.

The scientific session commenced with a literature update by **Professor John Lawrenson**, emphasizing the critical assessment of updated literature, particularly living systematic reviews. **Dr Andrew Pucker** provided useful insights from his program’s journey into integrating myopia management into the curriculum. **Professor Renée Reeder** discussed implementing laboratories for experiential learning, emphasizing activities like role-playing and lens fittings. **Dr Patrick Simard** shared a step-by-step guide to setting up a myopia clinic, covering fees, referrals, consent forms, and the patient’s journey. **Dr Rohan Hughes** discussed the responsibilities of students and supervising optometrists in myopia treatment.

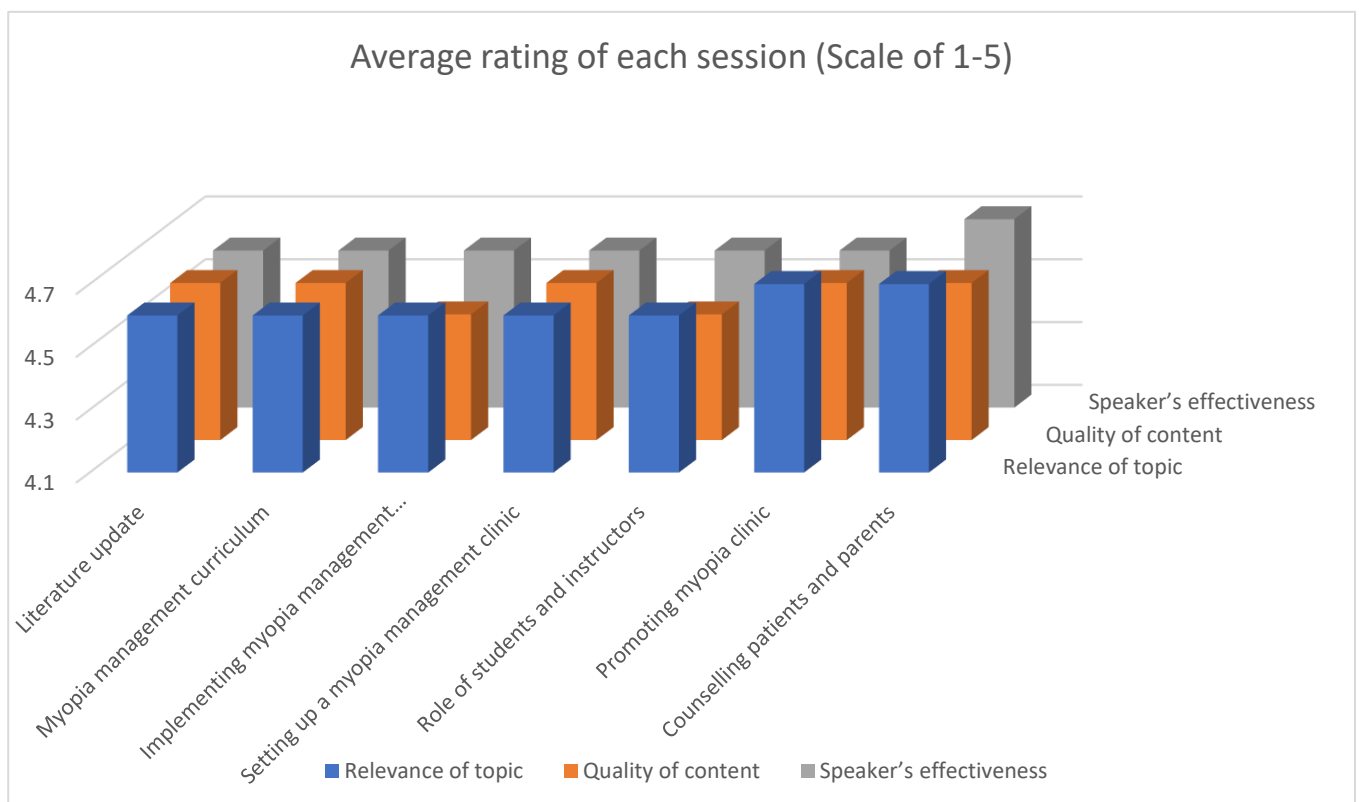
A panel discussion and question and answer session were skilfully chaired by **Dr Huntjens**, and delegate questions were efficiently handled by the speakers. **Mr Yeshwant Saoji** addressed the challenges of promoting practices effectively and sharing successful strategies. **Dr Maria Liu** covered patient and parent communication in myopia management, emphasizing a personalized approach. **Professor Bitton** moderated the discussion on these topics.

Professor Morgan closed the conference, introducing IACLE's new initiative – iPearls – and reminding delegates about the upcoming IACLE Fellowship Examination.

A total of 59 delegates responded to the post-conference survey. The survey results are as follows:

- All respondents either strongly agreed or agreed that the overall topics covered in the congress were relevant to their needs.
- All respondents either strongly agreed or agreed that the information was presented in a way that was easy to understand.
- Most respondents either strongly agreed or agreed that each topic was covered in sufficient detail.
- Most respondents either strongly agreed or agreed that the conference was long enough to cover the topics outlined.

Delegates rated each session on various parameters such as selection of topic, quality of content and speaker's interaction on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 = poor and 5 = excellent). All the sessions were rated high in all these parameters:



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