

Save Sight Society Conference Programme

Friday 21 August 2026

TIME	PRESENTATION	SPEAKER
8:00	Registration desk opens	
8:50	Welcome from the Chair	Oliver Comyn
SESSION 1 · ANTERIOR SEGMENT · Moderators: Elizabeth Conner & Charles McGhee		
9:00	Refractive surgery in 2026 (An Update Lecture)	Zea Munro
9:20	Severe Ocular Manifestations of Vitamin A Deficiency in a Child with Autism	Kyla Fung
9:30	Predictors and Outcomes of Prompt Antiviral Therapy in Herpes Zoster Ophthalmicus: A 10-Year Retrospective Study	Paul Jiyun Kim
9:40	The story didn't end there – When reassuring histology isn't the end of the diagnostic journey	Annie Tung
10:00	A Cautionary Tale	Rob Weatherhead
10:05	Questions and Discussion	
10:10	“That Blind Woman”	Julie Woods
10:30	Sponsor Videos: Alcon and Optopol	
10:30	Morning Tea	
SESSION 2 · RETINA · Moderators: Oliver Comyn & Leo Sheck		
11:00	Vitreoretinal Surgery across the ages	Jim Borthwick
11:20	24-month outcomes of intravitreal aflibercept treatment for refractory neovascular AMD in Auckland	Aisling Naylor
11:30	Long-Term Real-World Outcomes of Intravitreal Therapy for Diabetic Macular Oedema: A Palmerston North Cohort Study	Joshua Ah-Chan
11:40	Anti-VEGF induced acute kidney injury	Sean Every
11:50	A Structured Registrar Panretinal Photocoagulation Clinic	Luke Hawley
11:55	Retina across the Tasman – a Vitreoretinal Update Lecture	Chris Go
12:15	Questions and Discussion	
12:20	When benign doesn't fit: the value of repeat biopsy in clinicopathological discordance	Sarah (Jee Ah) Oh
12:30	Learning from International Indigenous Teleophthalmology Programmes: Opportunities for Māori-Centred Eye Care in Aotearoa New Zealand	Hanna Katovich
12:40	Treating Blindness in the Cook Islands – the provision of ophthalmic services to a Pacific Island Nation over a 34-year period	Paul Rosser
13:00	Questions and Discussion	
13:05	Sponsor Videos: Device Technologies, Toomac, Glaukos	
13:10	Lunch (Stadium Tour at 1:40)	

TIME	PRESENTATION	
	SESSION 3 · NEURO-OPHTHALMOLOGY & PAEDIATRICS · Moderators: Jess Gale & Mary Jane Sime	
14:00	Save Sight AGM	Oliver Comyn
14:10	Pitfalls and Pearls of Neuro-ophthalmology	Stephen Best
14:30	Cortical Visual Impairment: Resources for mainstream NZ schools	Antony Bedggood
14:40	Visual and Oculomotor Outcomes Following Surgical Management of Paediatric Posterior Fossa Tumours at a UK Paediatric Neuro-Oncology Service	Samuel Newlands
14:50	Retrospective Validation of the Postnatal Growth and Retinopathy of Prematurity (G-ROP) Screening Criteria in a New Zealand Cohort	Helen Kearns
15:00	Questions and Discussion	
15:10	60th Year of Save Sight Society – Research Projects Across the Years	Trevor Sherwin
15:30	Sponsor Videos: J&J, OIC, Titan Optical	
15:30	Afternoon Tea	
	SESSION 4 · GLAUCOMA & MEDICAL RETINA · Moderators: Pei Wang & Dickson Wong	
16:00	Don't Miss These Cases in Medical Retina	Leo Sheck
16:20	Isolated Retinal Dystrophy in Patients with Systemic Disease–Associated Genes	Minal Patil
16:30	A Case of Secondary Angle Closure Glaucoma in Cystinosis	Kyla Fung
16:40	Preserflo Microshunt Revision: A Case Series	Zhikai Tay (Keith)
16:50	Questions and Discussion	
17:00	Conference Close	
17:00–19:00	Drinks & Networking — Rua Lounge Bar	