

## Low Vision Focus: Something You Can Do

March 3, 2020 5-7pm

Sister Mary Ferdinand Clark Auditorium, 2nd Floor UPMC Mercy

**Program Overview:** By the year 2030, 1 of every 5 Americans will be age 65; 7.7 million will have low vision. Nearly 85% will have at least 1 chronic medical condition. Additionally, vision impairment and age-related low vision can be difficult to track. For example, according to CDC, from 2000 to 2010, the number of cases of diabetic retinopathy increased 89 percent from 4.06 million to 7.69 million. By 2050, the number of Americans with diabetic retinopathy is expected to nearly double, from 7.7 million to 14.6 million. The care of persons with vision impairment and age-related vision loss requires an interdisciplinary approach across the continuum of care. Providers should be aware of current evidence and care techniques for vision impairment and age-related vision loss across the continuum from initial diagnosis, medical complications, many phases of rehab, and community resources. The presentation will introduce and review a variety of topics relevant to persons with vision impairment and age-related vision loss. This discussion will focus on areas important to all team members, throughout the continuum of care. The goals of this presentation are in line with the missions of the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and the UPMC Rehabilitation Institute to advance health, expand knowledge, and improve care through research, teaching rehabilitation services, and medical care.

### Learning Objectives:

- Identify normal age-related vision changes
- Recognize patterns of vision loss or vision impairments
- Understand/explain impact of low vision impairment on occupation
- Learn screening tools to identify low vision impairment
- Identify functional impairment and criteria for making appropriate referrals to low vision rehabilitation services for at risk individuals needing comprehensive services
- Hands-on learning and technology solutions

**Target Audience:** Physicians, Nurses, Physical Therapists, Occupational Therapists, Speech-Language Pathologists, Care Managers, and other health professionals

### Presenter(s)

**Holly Stants**, MS, OTR/L, SCLV, CLVT  
UPMC Centers for Rehab Services  
Low Vision Rehab Team Leader  
UPMC Eye Center

### Moderator

**Briana Kelly**, MOT, OT/L  
Senior Manager, Rehab Operations  
UPMC Rehabilitation Institute

### Program Schedule:

4:45—5	Registration and Dinner	
5—5:15	Introduction	Briana Kelly
5:15—7	Presentation	Holly Stants
7—7:15	Adjourn	

# UPMC Rehabilitation Institute Clinical Connections Education Series

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- Here is the direct link to register: <https://cce.upmc.com/clinical-connections-low-vision-focus>
- Click the “Complete Course/Registration” button and enter all the requested information. After registering, an electronic confirmation will be sent to you. Online registration is complete upon receipt of a confirmation email. If you do not receive the confirmation email immediately after you click the button, please contact Jessa Darwin ([jcd79@pitt.edu](mailto:jcd79@pitt.edu)).

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