



## ALABAMA VISION SUMMIT

A free educational seminar  
presented by

EyeSight Foundation of Alabama  
UAB Callahan Eye Hospital  
Prevent Blindness America

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The Club, Birmingham, AL

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## AGENDA AT A GLANCE

### The Prevalence and Economic Burden of Vision Problems in the U.S.

Jeff Todd, JD; *Prevent Blindness America*

### Census of Alabama Eye Care Providers

Cynthia Owsley PhD, MSPH; *UAB School of Medicine, Dept of Ophthalmology*

### Children's Vision: Why We Need A Better System, Not Just Better Screening!

Kira Baldonado; *National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health at Prevent Blindness America*

### Reform, Medicare and Insurance: What Does It Mean for Alabama?

Alison Manson, MPH; *Prevent Blindness America*  
Brian Spraberry, MSHA; *UAB Callahan Eye Hospital*

### The UAB-CDC Project: Identifying and Treating Glaucoma

Christopher Girkin, MD, MSPH; *UAB School of Medicine, Dept of Ophthalmology*

### Research Acceleration: Where Discoveries and Treatments are Heading

- ◆ **Center for Ocular Biomechanics and Biotransport**  
J. Crawford Downs, PhD; *UAB School of Medicine, Dept of Ophthalmology*
- ◆ **Advances in AMD**  
Christine A. Curcio, PhD; *UAB School of Medicine, Dept of Ophthalmology*
- ◆ **NEI's Audacious Goals**  
Steven Pittler, PhD; *UAB School of Optometry, Dept of Vision Sciences*

### The Future of Research Funding and Implications for Alabama

James Jorkasky, MBA; *National Alliance for Eye and Vision Research/Alliance for Eye and Vision Research*

### Networking Lunch and Roundtable Discussion

All participants and attendees

### Vision Impairment and Multiple Chronic Conditions

John Crews, DPA; *Vision Health Initiative, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention*

### Trends in Low Vision

- ◆ **Referrals for Low Vision Rehab: Doctors, Techs and EHRs**  
Joseph Fontenot, MD, FACC, CLVT; *Community Services for Vision Rehabilitation*
- ◆ **Low Vision Research: What's New and Why It's Important**  
Dawn DeCarlo, OD, MSPH; *UAB Center for Low Vision Rehabilitation*

### Strength in Partnerships: State Vision Collaboratives

Jeff Todd, JD; *Prevent Blindness America*  
Marnie Filstein, MPH, CHES; *Prevent Blindness Georgia, Georgia Vision Collaborative*

### Panel: Advancing our Effectiveness in Alabama: What are the Next Steps?

Moderator: Stephen A. Yoder, JD; *EyeSight Foundation of Alabama Board of Trustees*