



The **Fred Hollows**
Foundation NZ





Our Vision:

A world in which no person is needlessly blind or vision impaired.

**“It’s obscene to let
people go blind
when they don’t
have to.”**

- Professor Fred Hollows



Fred Hollows is born on 9 April 1929 in Dunedin.
He is one of four boys.



He attends Palmerston North Boys High School.

He takes a summer job working in a mental health hospital in Porirua.



Fred studies at Victoria University of Wellington.



Fred first meets Edmund Hilary on a climb.

Fred is appointed Associate Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of New South Wales in Australia.



Fred begins his work with Aboriginal communities.





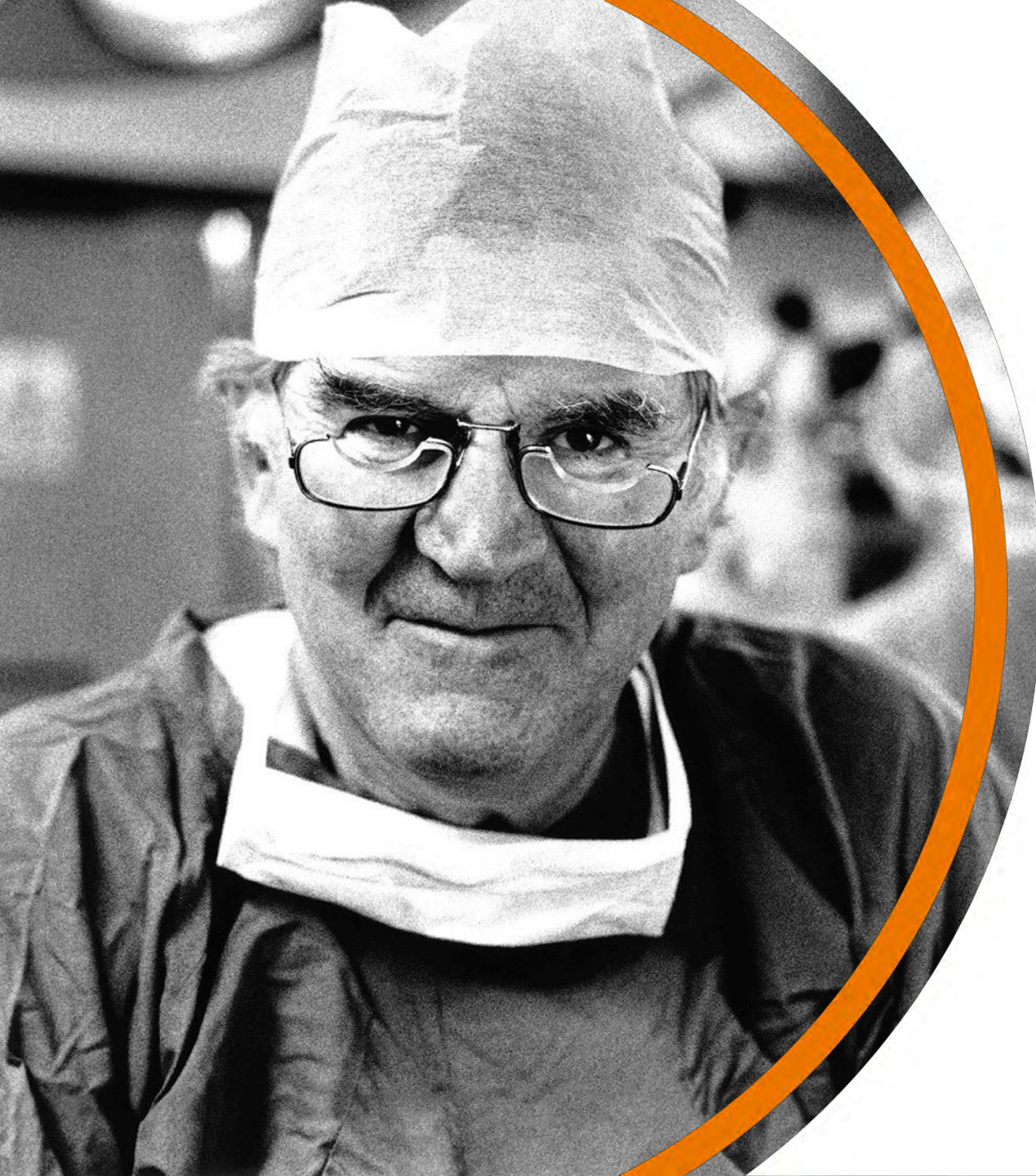
The programme treats 27,000 people for trachoma.

The National Trachoma Programme begins.



Fred meets Gabi.





**"I believe the
basic attribute of
mankind is to look
after one another."**

Professor Fred Hollows (1929 – 1993)





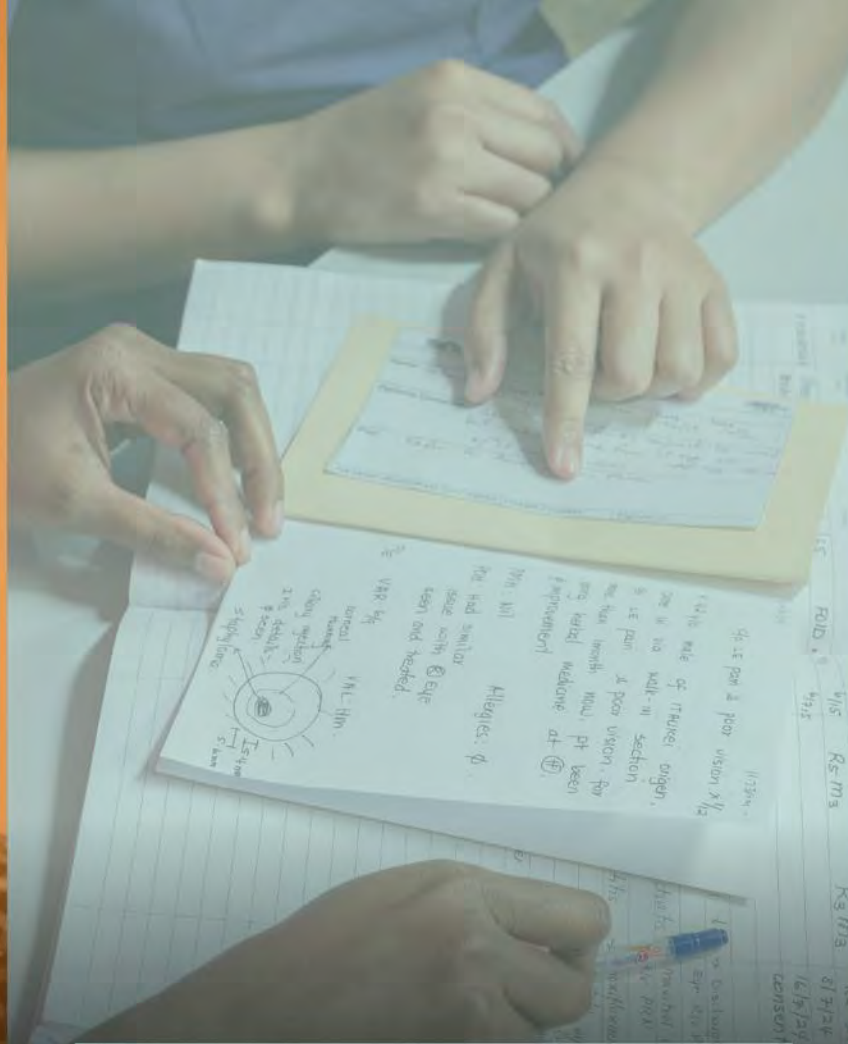




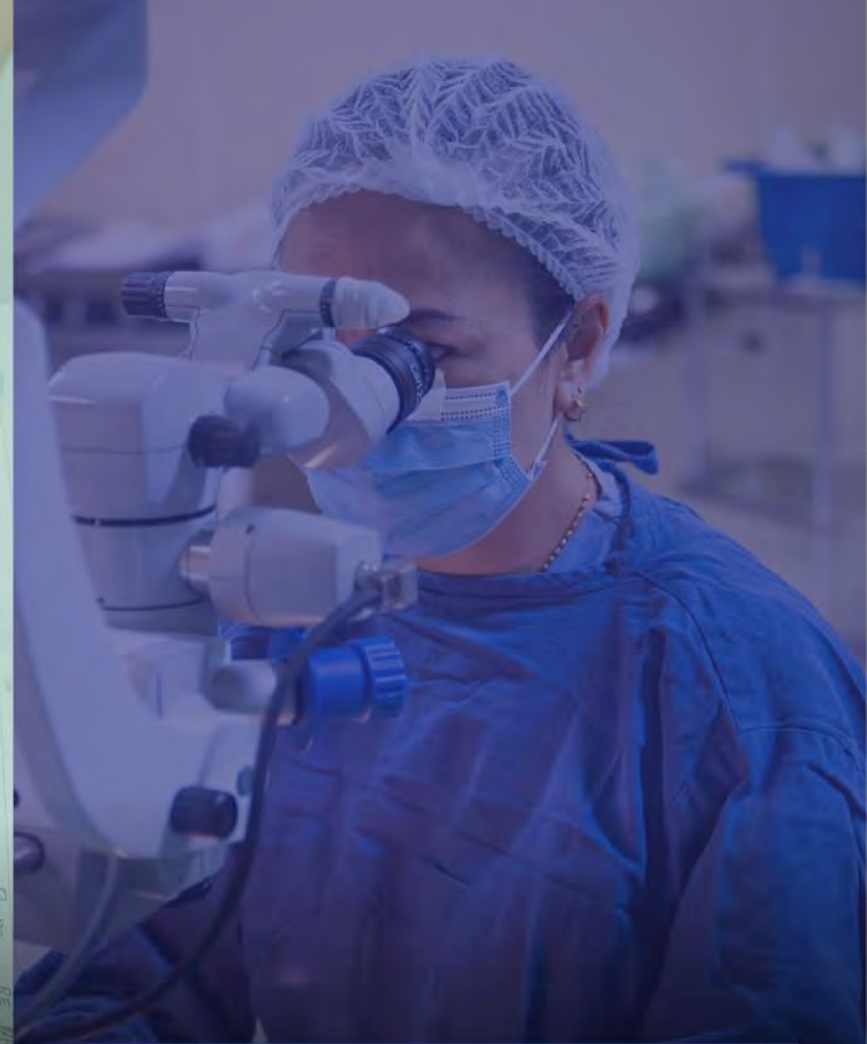
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**Training the next
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In the Pacific, The Foundation and its partners have supported:

Over 1.22 million consultations

Over 93,750 sight-saving surgeries

The opening of 7 eye clinics

Annual outreach plans

Common Eye Diseases & Disorders

Cataract

- Untreated cataract causes 88% of all blindness in Papua New Guinea

Diabetes Eye Disease

- Diabetes Eye Disease is a complication of diabetes and is the world's leading cause of blindness in the working age population.

Refractive error

- Globally, uncorrected refractive error is the main cause of vision impairment.





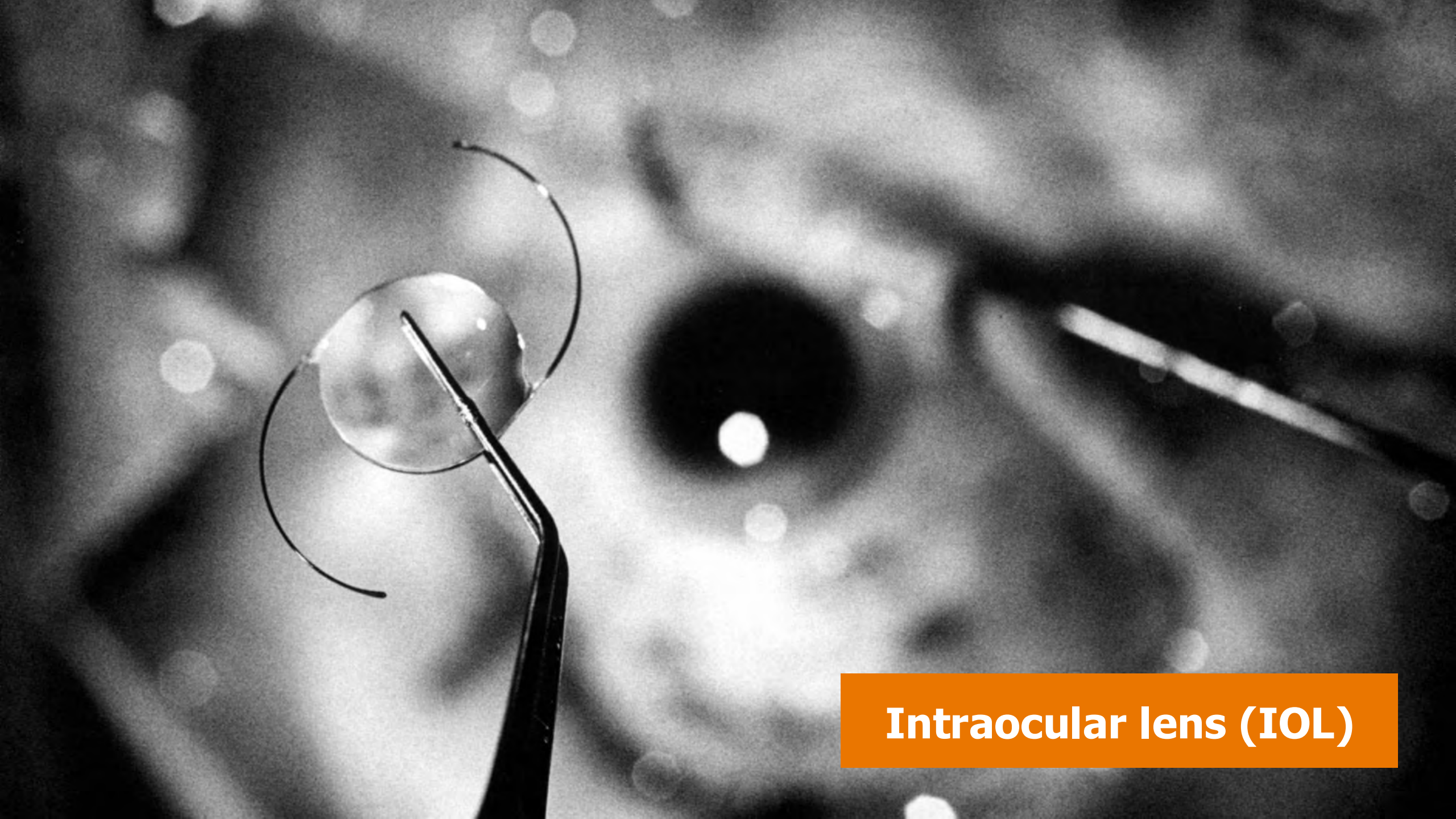
**“Good eye service is
the right of
everybody, not just
the wealthy who can
afford it.”**

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NORMAL VISION



TARACTS



Intraocular lens (IOL)

Diabetes and Diabetes Eye Disease

537 million people have diabetes

1 in 11 of the world's adult population


Pacific has the highest rate of diabetes

Uncommon a generation ago



What a person with Diabetes Eye Disease might see



A woman with long brown hair, wearing a black top with white polka dots, is speaking to the camera. In the background, a group of people, including several older adults, are sitting on a bench in a room with large windows. One woman in the foreground wears a purple headwrap and a patterned shawl. Another person in the background is wearing a blue cap and a purple shirt.

BARBARA DREAFTER
Pacific Correspondent, Mandang



Pacific Eye Institute

A man in a blue and white striped shirt is pointing at a projected diagram of a retina on a whiteboard. The diagram shows a cross-section of the eye with a network of blood vessels. The man is holding a pen in his left hand. In the foreground, the back of a person's head is visible, looking towards the whiteboard. A laptop and a water bottle are on a table in front of the whiteboard.

Diabetic Retinopathy Awareness Training



Refractive Error



Outreaches

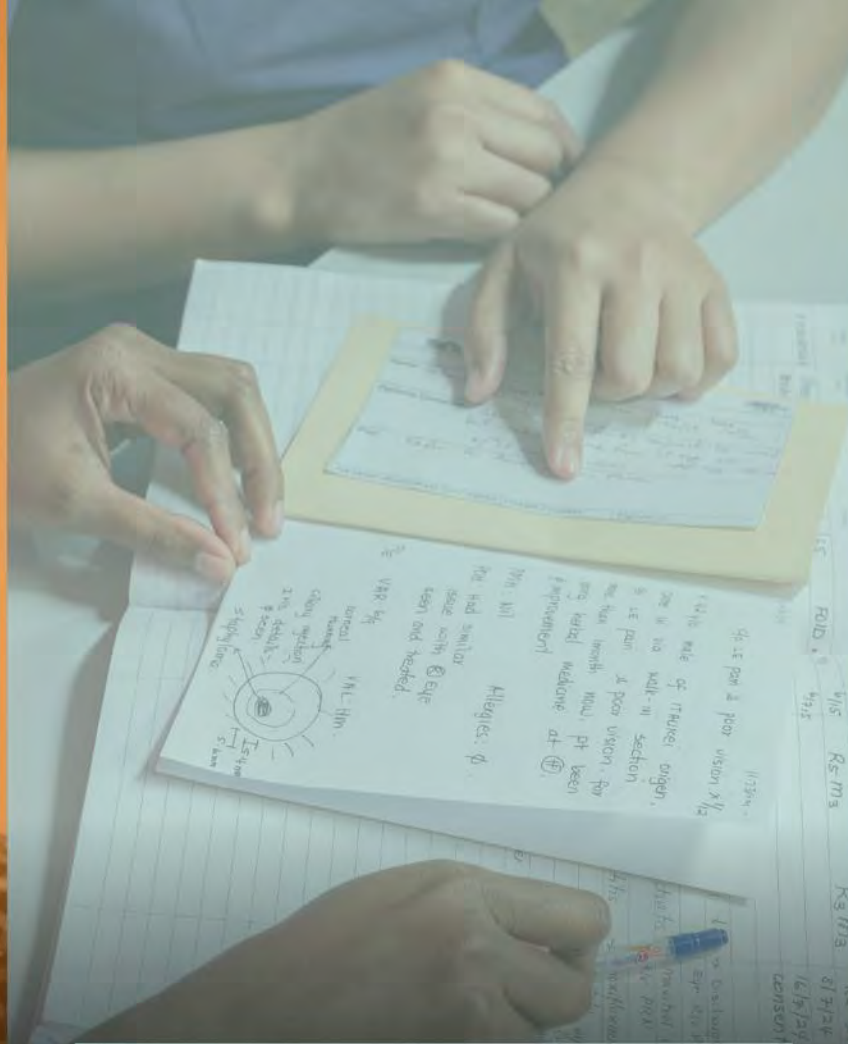


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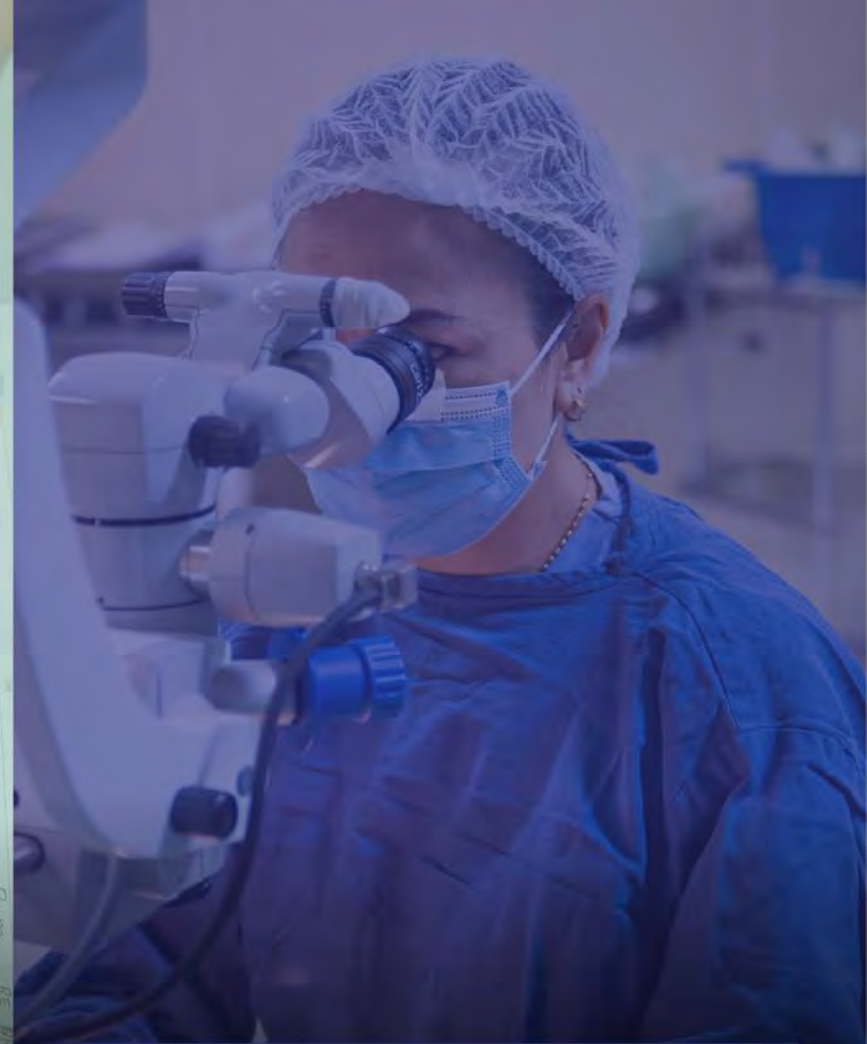




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PNG graduation
ADEC students
(Advanced Diploma in
Eye Care)



**“Teach the
teachers first, then
the teachers can
teach others.”**

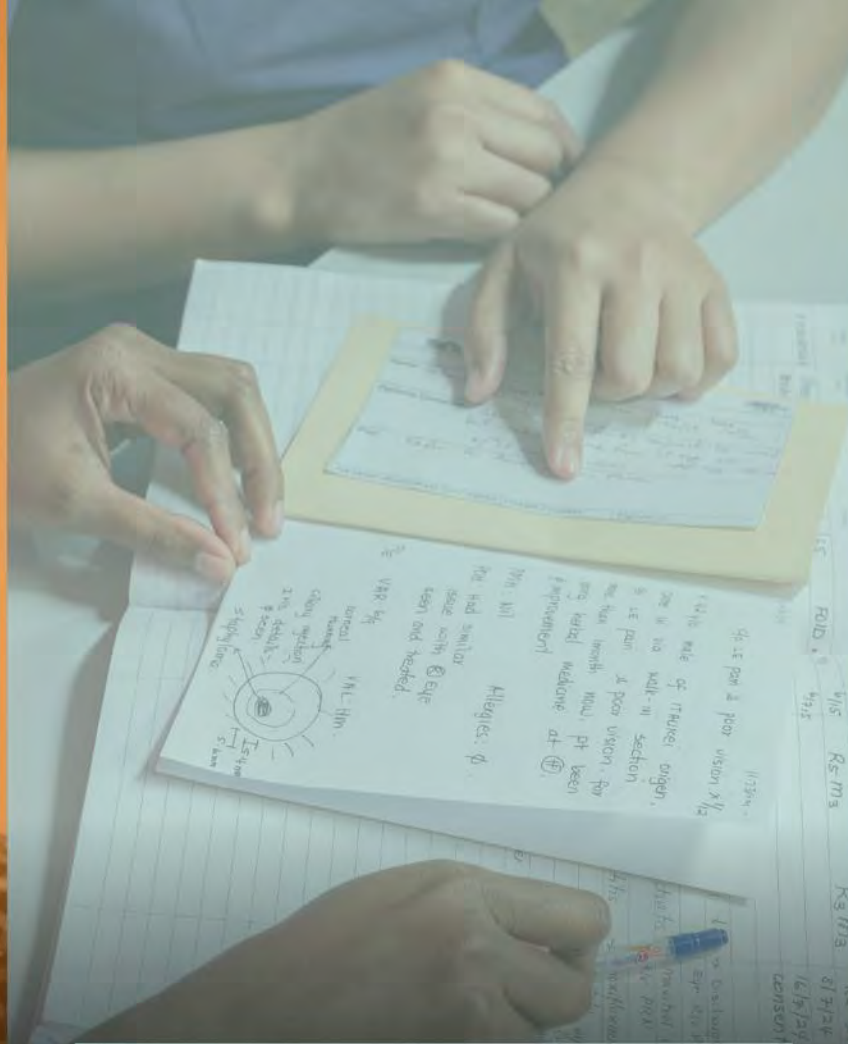
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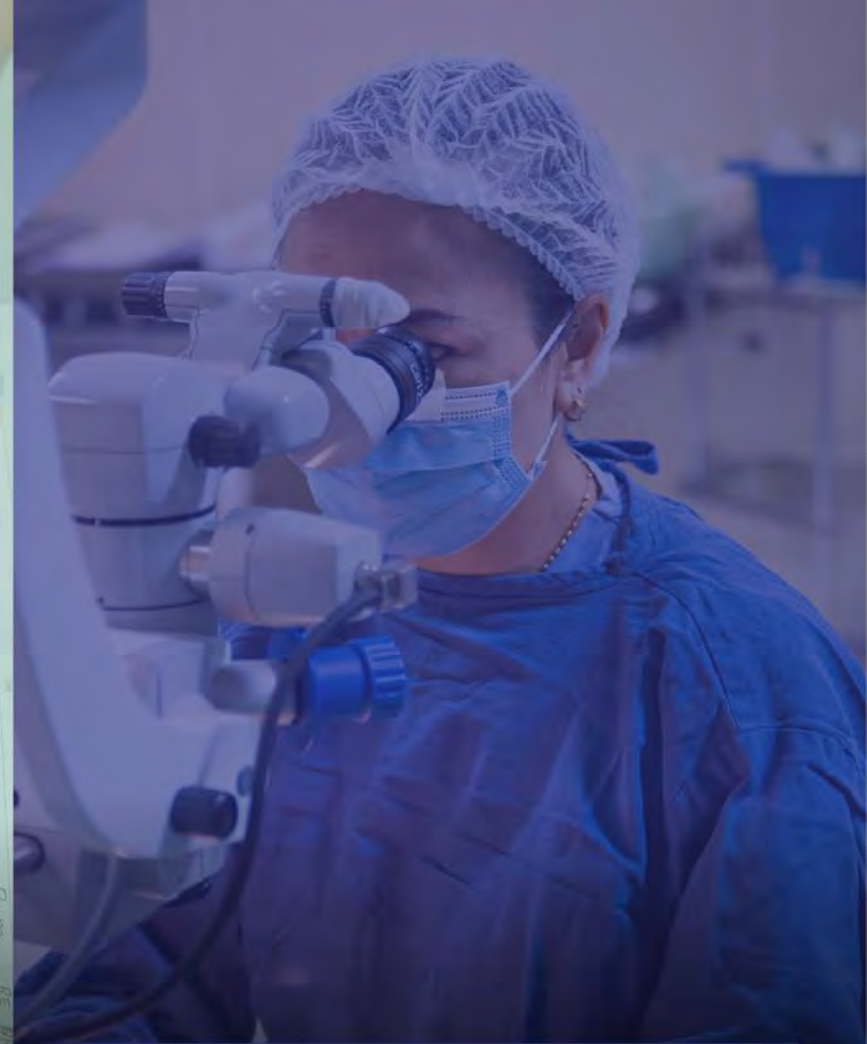
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World Sight Day 2024



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WATER
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FREE
EYE
CARE

BULA VINAKAI!

MAI DIKEVI NA MATAMU
मुफ्त नेत्र जाँच

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Regional
Eye Centre
Solomon Islands





PNG Centre for Eye Health



RAAB – Rapid Assessment of Avoidable Blindness

- 2023 Vanuatu
- 2024 Samoa
- 2025 Tonga

**In Papua New
Guinea, 61% of the
needlessly blind are
women.**







Paediatric Eye Surgical Week



Sustainable Development Goals



- **No Poverty**
- **Zero Hunger**
- **Good health and Well-being**
- **Quality Education**
- **Gender Equality**
- **Clean Water and Sanitation**
- **Decent Work and Economic Growth**
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- **Reduce Inequality**
- **Sustainable Cities and Communities**
- **Responsible Consumptions and Productions**
- **Climate Action**
- **Partnerships for the Goals**

The economic impact of sight:

\$ EVERY DOLLAR
you give to restore
someone's sight

IS
WORTH

MORE THAN 9x
that to their
local economy

*Economic return includes increased labour force participation and productivity, and improved education and learning

'Transforming Lives: An Investment Case for Eye Health' was released in 2023 by The Fred Hollows Foundation and Victoria University Institute of Strategic Economic Studies.





“My eyes are
magic now.”

Philomena, 4, Fiji

“I appreciate what
you did for us.
I am so happy.”

Siafy, 79, PNG



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“I can see clearly!
A **dream** come
true.”

Losena, 37, Fiji

“This programme
wouldn’t have
existed **without**
you.”

Seiuli, 73, Samoa





Thank you