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**American Academy of Optometry Foundation Announces the  
2020 Johnson & Johnson Vision Residency Award Recipients**

**ORLANDO, FL (August 27, 2020)** – The American Academy of Optometry Foundation (AAOF) is proud to announce the recipients of the 2020 Johnson & Johnson Vision Residency Awards.

<p><b>Sheldon Wechsler Contact Lens Residency Award</b></p>  <p><b>Rosa Yawen Yang, OD</b> University of Waterloo School of Optometry and Vision Science</p>	<p><b>George W. Mertz Contact Lens Residency Award</b></p>  <p><b>Mari Fujimoto, OD</b> Pacific University College of Optometry</p>	<p><b>George W. Mertz Contact Lens Residency Award</b></p>  <p><b>Stephanie Gee, OD, MPH</b> Indiana University School of Optometry</p>
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These residency awards support post-graduate advanced training in optometric clinical care, education, and research methods specific to the fields of children's vision and contact lenses. The 2020 residents were carefully chosen by peer review members from the American Academy of Optometry (AAO) Section on Cornea, Contact Lenses & Refractive Technologies, and the Binocular Vision, Perception and Pediatric Optometry Section. Each recipient will receive \$2,000 toward their graduate education.

The AAOF is once again thankful for the professional relationship between the Foundation and Johnson & Johnson Vision. Their continued support advances the caliber of optometric education.



### **About the American Academy of Optometry Foundation**

The American Academy of Optometry Foundation (AAOF) is the 501(c)(3) philanthropic arm of the American Academy of Optometry (AAO) and was founded in 1947 for the “upholding, broadening, fostering, promoting and aiding of optometric education; the profession of optometry and its practitioners.” The organization provides financial support for optometric research and vision and eye health education to improve patient clinical care. For more information, visit the website: <https://www.aaopt.org/home/aaof>.

### **About the American Academy of Optometry**

The American Academy of Optometry (AAO) inspires excellence in optometric practice by fostering research and disseminating knowledge in vision science through its journal, *Optometry and Vision Science*, and the continuing education presented at its annual meeting. Fellows of the Academy are committed to the premise that learning is a lifelong obligation of a professional, as is the commitment to expand the profession's knowledge base through ongoing fellowship and exchange. For more information, visit the website: <http://www.aaopt.org>.