



Optometry Giving Sight Chair Receives Award from World Optometry Council

GOLDEN, CO – April 22, 2025 -- Optometry Giving Sight (OGS) is pleased to announce that Dr. Susan Cooper has been named the recipient of the World Optometry Council's (WCO) 2025 Distinguished Service Award in Memory of Dr. Uduak Udom. Dr. Cooper has served as the OGS Canada Board Chair since 2019 and is also a member of the OGS U.S. Board of Directors.

"Susan deserves this award," says OGS U.S. Board Chair Dr. Juan Carlos Aragón, "not only for her numerous contributions while at WCO to the international expansion of optometry but also for her tireless commitment as a Board member of OGS. On behalf of the staff and my fellow OGS Board members, I'd like to congratulate her and thank her for her years of service to our organization."

The Distinguished Service Award is the highest bestowed by WCO. It recognizes individuals who have contributed most significantly to the mission and vision of the Council. Dr. Cooper has been involved in the Council since 2006.

She is honored to have been named this year's winner. "I feel incredibly privileged to be honored with this award," she says. "I am constantly reminded of the hard work and dedication the staff and volunteers of WCO give to further the organization's mission, and I am grateful to be a part of such an inspiring team. This award is not just me, but a celebration of our collective commitment to making a meaningful impact for global optometry."

The award will be presented June 26 during the WCO [Optometry's Meeting | 5th World Congress of Optometry](#) in Minneapolis, Minnesota. [Learn more](#) about Dr. Cooper and other 2025 WCO award winners.

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