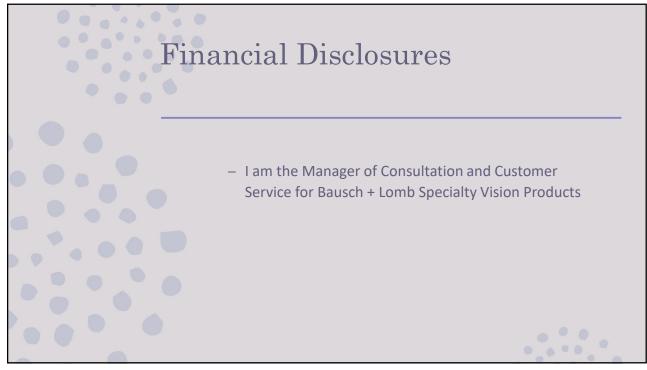


Finding Our Passion and Purpose While Changing Patients Lives

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Passion vs. Purpose

 "If you wanted to start a campfire with passion and purpose, you'd start with a foundation of wood (your purpose) and start the flame with a match (your passion)." – Jessica Lauren DeBry

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Passion vs. Purpose

- Can you tell the difference between having a 'passion' and knowing your 'purpose' in life?
 - Many people tend to confuse the two in their lives
- They end up doing something that they're passionate about for a short time, thinking that it's their purpose, but ending up finding that their life is missing something.

Passion vs. Purpose Passion is: - your emotions behind your dreams. - your feelings that drive your passion. - sometimes about selfish motives. Purpose is: - the WHY behind it all. - the deep reason for your existence - significantly focused.

Passion vs. Purpose

- Knowing the difference between your passion and your purpose can:

- make it easier for you to do the things that you're passionate about without burning yourself out
- it also can guide you towards your true purpose in life.

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Why is this important?

- Studies show that:
 - Employees that are
 passionate about their
 job will be both happier
 and more productive at
 work.

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Remember - Not every day is going to offer us a chance to save somebody's life, but every day offers us an opportunity to affect one.

Sharing Experiences that have changed MY life

- Often while we are helping others, our lives are changed as well

- Living out my PASSION and my PURPOSE

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Passionate about Myopia Control

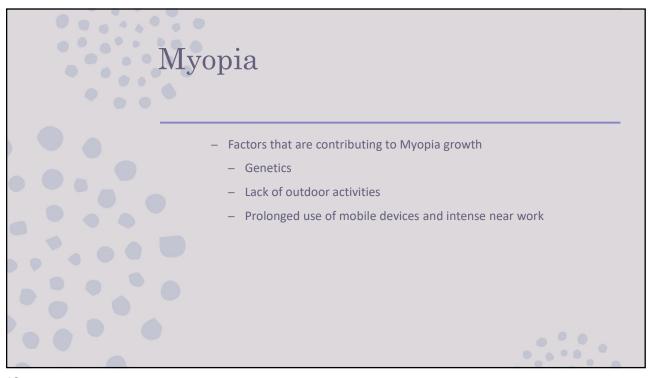
- A public health epidemic
 - Recent rapid rise in the prevalence of myopia globally
 - Future projections of myopia reveal that there will be 5 billion myopic people in 2050.
 - 1 billion high myopes by 2050
 - Myopia to become a leading cause of permanent blindness worldwide

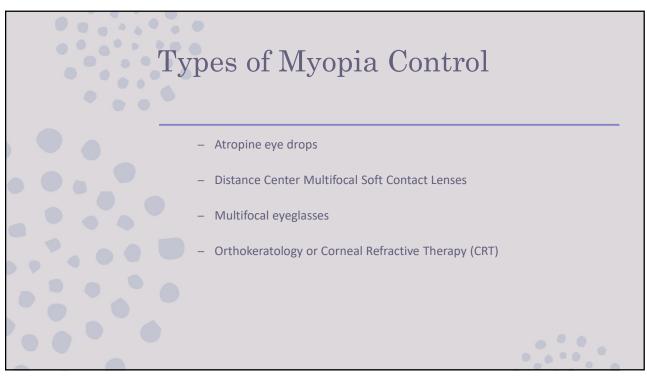
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Increase in Myopia Worldwide out to 2050 Western Europe 22%→56% North America 28% → 58% North Africa & Middle East 15% → 52% Southern Latin America 16% → 53% Sub-Saharan Africa 5% → 30% 20% → 55% 2000 → 2050

Hot Spots of Myopia

- Right now are in East Asia where countries such as South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, China and Japan have a prevalence of myopia of 80 to 90 %.
- Even the USA has reported a staggering prevalence of 42%, almost doubling in three decades.





Atropine eye drops

- Commonly are used to reduce the pain associated with certain types of eye inflammation
- Also relieves focusing fatigue by dilating the pupil and temporarily limiting the eye's ability to automatically change focus or accommodate.
 - The effect atropine has on accommodation makes it effective in reducing the progression of myopia in children.
 - Some studies have shown that atropine is the most effective way of controlling myopia; reducing myopia by 77%

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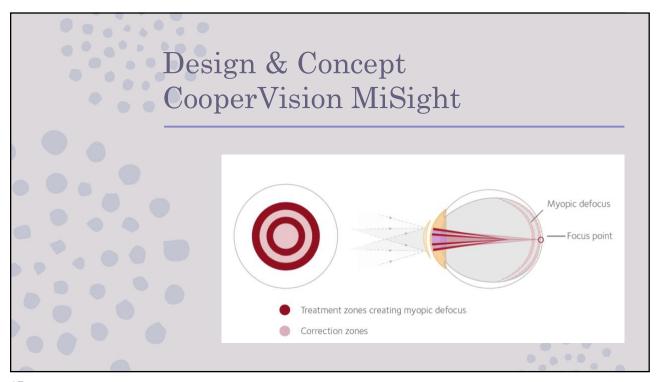
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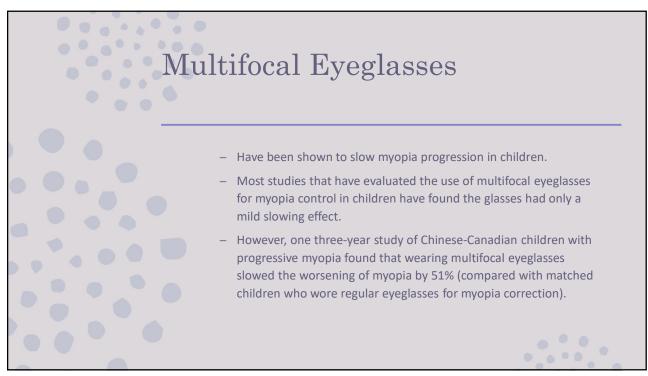
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Distance Center Multifocal Soft Contact Lenses

- Primarily designed to provide clear vision at all distances for people who have refractive errors and presbyopia.
- One recent two-year study found:
 - Myopic children who wore multifocal lenses daily had a 50% reduction in the progression of their myopia when compared with similarly myopic children who wore regular soft contacts for the same period.
- New daily disposable from CooperVision called MiSight launched 2020
 - FDA approved to slow the progression of myopia in children, aged 8-12 at the initiation of treatment





Orthokeratology or Corneal Refractive Therapy (CRT)

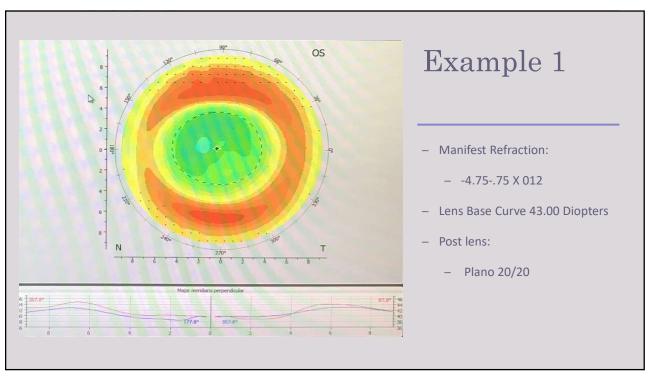
- Specially designed gas permeable lenses that are worn overnight to temporarily correct myopia, hyperopia and astigmatism by reshaping the cornea.
- The use of overnight corneal reshaping with contact lenses for the temporary reduction of myopia was FDA approved in June 2002
- 25 different Corneal Reshaping lenses available
- One two-year study of myopic Chinese children (ages 6 to 10) found that CRT lenses reduced lengthening of the eyeball by 43% compared with matched children who wore regular eyeglasses for myopia correction.

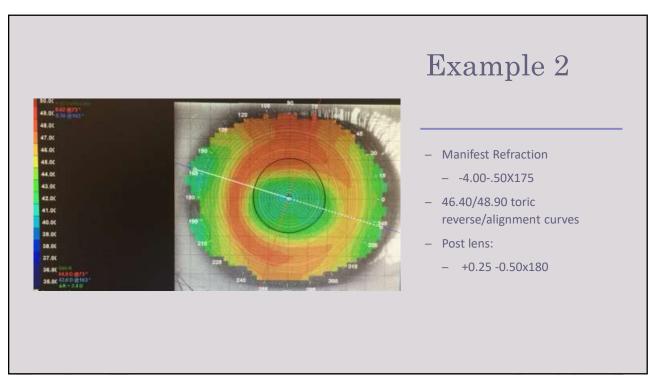
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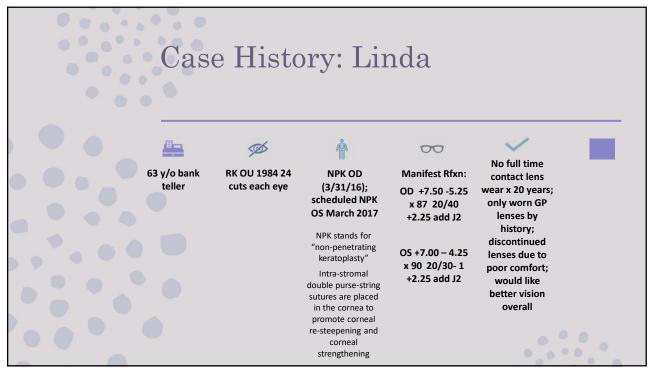
CRT Lens Design

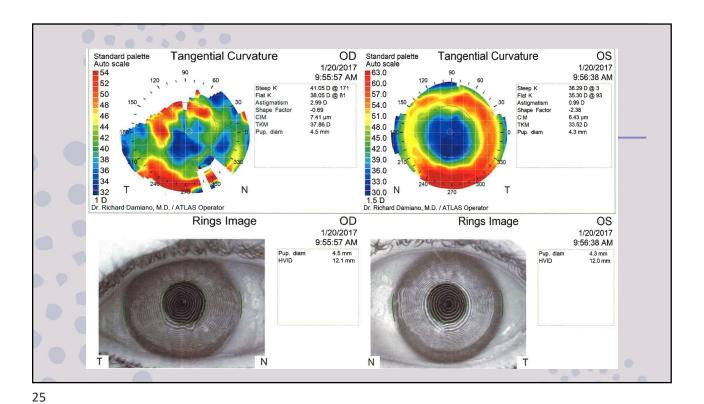
- Lenses are manufactured in high oxygen materials
- The base curve will determine how much myopia is reduced and the alignment curve will control centration.







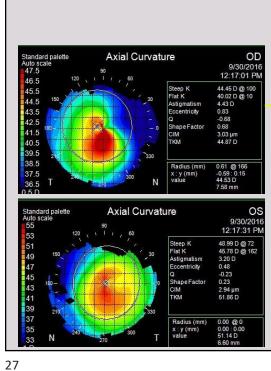




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Case History: Linda

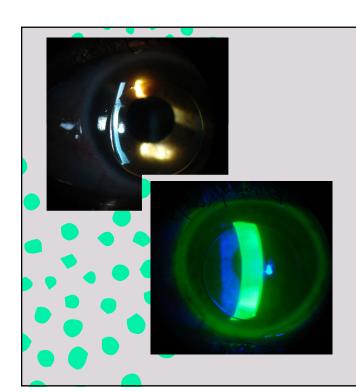
- Ordered: 8.00 -8.25 16.6
- VA 20/20-1
- At 1-week follow-up doing great with vision and
- Patient wearing 14 hours/day.
- No changes needed in fit or RX.
- Lens removes easily. No discomfort with lens removal.
- No blanching. No fogging of vision during lens wear.



Case History: Tony

- 37 y/o rancher
- Keratoconus
- Pseudophakia OU with Toric IOL OS
- Long time history of corneal GP lenses. In 2013, briefly tried scleral lenses and hybrid lenses but didn't like the insertion and removal process. In order to aid lens comfort with outdoor work environment, we elected to fit piggyback OU.
- Manifest refraction: OD +1.50 - 4.00x 46 20/50-2 +1.00 add J1+

OS +1.50 - 2.00 x 54 20/40-2 +1.00 add J1+



Case History: Tony

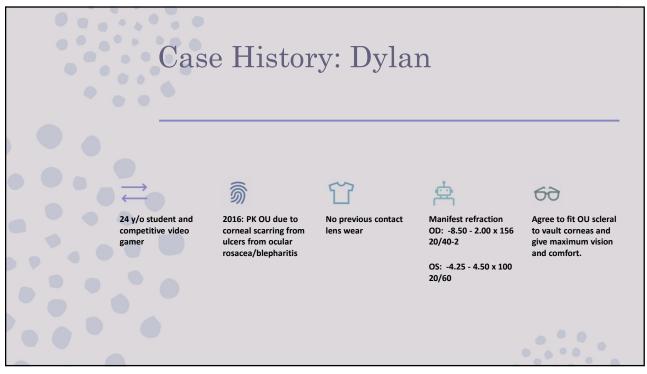
- Fit Keratoconus Gas Permeable lens OU with single use daily disposable soft piggyback lens
- Final Lens parameters

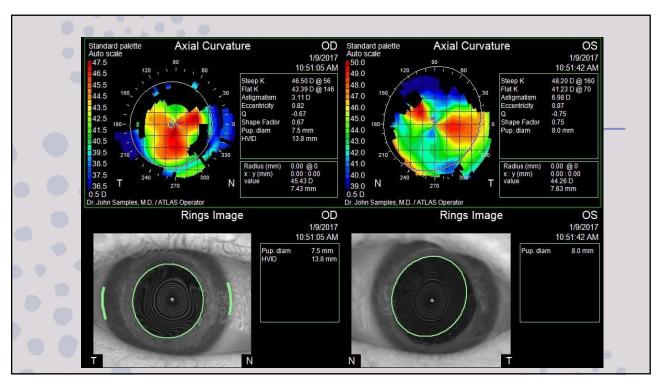
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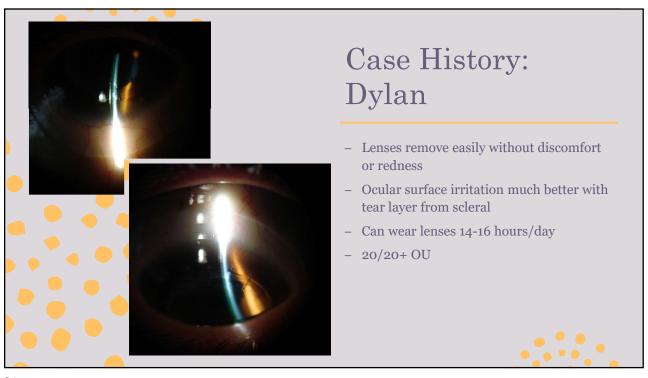
OS: 43.75 +7.00 -2.50 x 90 9.2 20/25+2

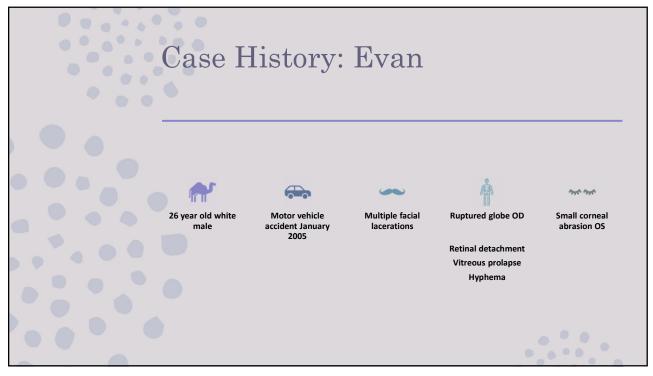
- Great vision and comfort
- OS lens stays in place and doesn't rotate

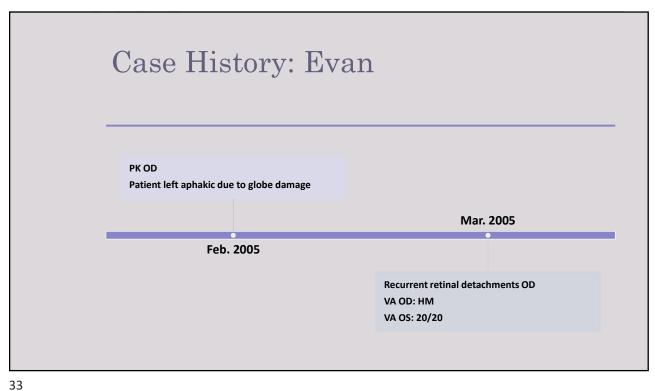














Case History:

- - for evaluation of cosmetic contact lens to cover opaque



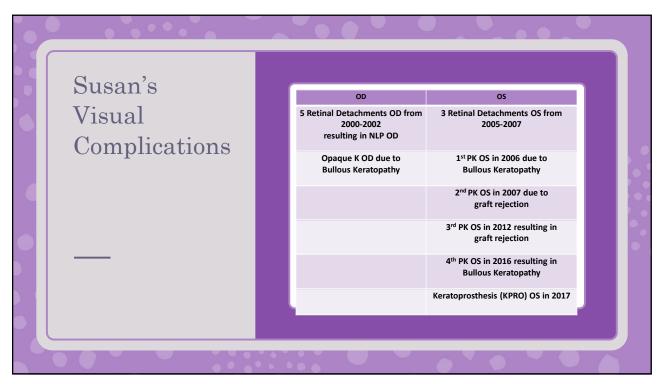




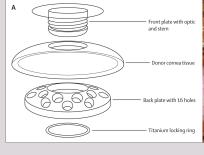
Case History: Susan

- Susan is a 49 y/o Massage Therapist
- Diagnosed with Stickler Syndrome as a child
 - A systemic connective tissue disorder characterized by defective collagen production. The hereditary conditions are characterized by a distinctive facial appearance, eye abnormalities, hearing loss, and joint problems.
 - Stickler's causes severe myopia.
 Children who have Stickler syndrome often experience cataracts, glaucoma and retinal detachments.

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Keratoprosthesis (KPRO)



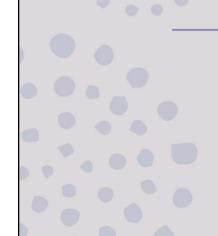
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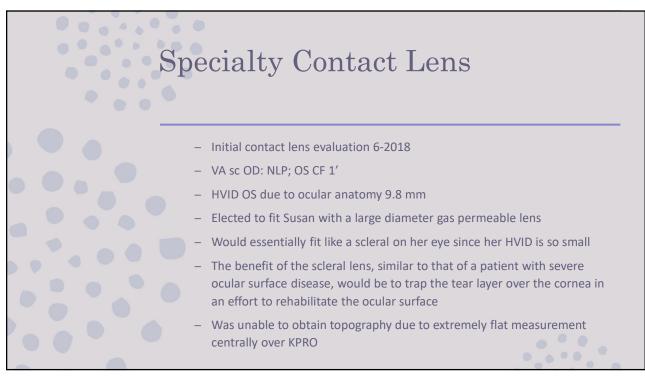
 Keratoprosthesis is a surgical procedure where a diseased cornea is replaced with an artificial cornea. Traditionally, Keratoprosthesis is recommended after a person has had a failure of one or more donor corneal transplants.

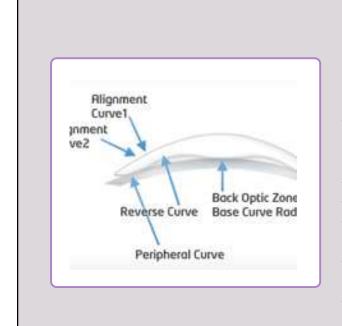
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Post KPRO OS 2017



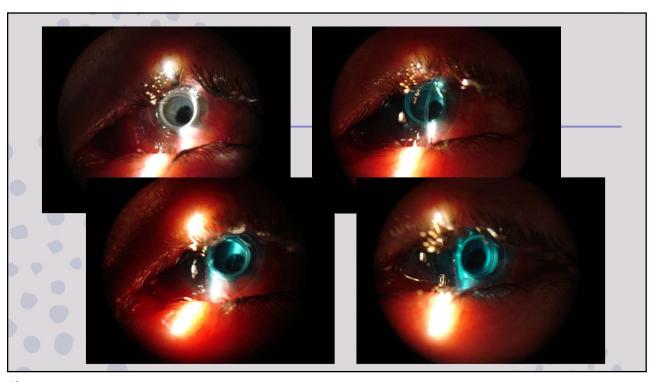
- After a KPRO procedure, it is important to protect the ocular surface from corneal melting or corneal perforation.
- Due to Susan's eye structure and severe ocular dryness, she could not keep a soft lens over the KPRO to prevent corneal melting.
- Over the course of 6 months, she would lose a soft lens every few weeks.
- Her Corneal Specialist referred her to the Contact Lens Department to fit her with a custom soft lens or whatever lens modality in order to help protect her ocular surface.





Lens Parameters and Results

- 4 D Reverse Geometry lens due to the extremely flat optic of the KPRO and slightly steeper periphery (A standard spherical GP lens had a persistent central bubble)
- 940mm BC (35.90 D) +11.62 D 10.6mm
- Vision OS with lens during fitting: 20/400
- Vision OS at 2-week follow-up: 20/200
 - No K melting; Ocular surface quiet
- Vision OS after 3 months of wear: 20/100
 - Ocular surface continues to stay quiet
- Susan's estimated BCVA is 20/100 due to the multiple RD's OS



- Susan continues to work full time as a Massage Therapist - She travels and lives a very independent life - She can put in and take out her lens without assistance - Her husband does help her with cleaning the lens - Susan has taught me so much about persevering through any obstacle and celebrating the small successes - For Susan, having 20/100 vision is life-changing for her - We must be reminded that vision is often about being 20/HAPPY instead of 20/20



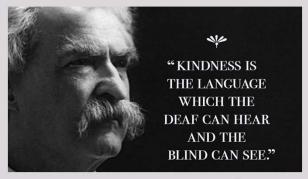
So ask yourself...

- What are you passionate about?
- What is your purpose?
- Is being an Optician just a job or is it your career?
- Are you living your best life to be fulfilled everyday in what you do?

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Thank you

- For helping me to express what I am passionate about
- For helping me to fulfill my purpose to educate and give back to the profession that I love so much!



Mark Twain