



POST ACTIVITY REPORT

Name of Activity: Clinical Pediatric Training

Theme: Enhancing Knowledge, Clinical Skills, and Confidence in Pediatric Optometry

Date: September 3, 2025

Venue: Helix Auditorium, LRC Building, Manila Central University, Caloocan City, Philippines

I. Objectives of Participation

The Clinical Pediatric Training was conducted to:

- Strengthen the clinical competence of optometry students and faculty in pediatric optometry.
- Provide updated, evidence-based approaches to managing pediatric visual conditions.
- Build confidence among interns and clinicians in handling pediatric patients.
- Foster collaboration with international experts in pediatric vision care.

II. Overview of the Event

The two-day Clinical Pediatric Training featured **Dr. Bruce Moore**, Professor Emeritus of the New England College of Optometry and Education Committee Member of VOSH/International, as the distinguished speaker.



The training was attended by more than 100 participants including 124 **Optometry students, 6 faculty members, and 3 officers of the Integrated Philippine Association of Optometrists.**

The program was further honored by the presence of:

- **Dr. Renato C. Tanchoco, Jr., President of Manila Central University**, who delivered his **President's Message**, underscoring MCU's commitment to excellence in optometric education.
- **Dr. Ramil V. Flores, Vice President for Academic Affairs**, who set the tone of the program through his **Opening Remarks**.

All attendees were awarded **Certificates of Completion**, signifying their active participation and newly gained competencies.

Dr. Moore was presented with a **Token of Appreciation and Certificates**. He also signed copies of his **co-authored book, *Clinical Pediatric Optometry***, and the **pediatric co-developer chart**, adding a valuable scholarly highlight to the event.

In addition, the **VOSH Student Volunteer Optometric Services to Humanity (SVOSH) – MCU Chapter** was presented with a **Plaque of Appreciation** in recognition of its invaluable support and continuing partnership with the MCU College of Optometry.

III. Contribution and Involvement

Dr. Moore's lectures and interactive sessions enriched participants with:

- Clinical insights into pediatric eye care, including amblyopia, strabismus, and refractive errors.
- Case-based learning that bridged theory with practical management.
- Guidance for faculty on aligning instruction with global best practices.



IV. Key Insights and Learning

Early and accurate pediatric eye care is vital to ensure children's learning and development.

- A combination of evidence-based clinical practices and compassionate patient care strengthens optometrists' roles in pediatrics.
- Faculty and students alike benefit from exposure to international expertise, raising the standard of local optometric education.
- Strong institutional partnerships with organizations like VOSH/International enhance both education and community service.

V. Recommendations and Future Actions

- As a result of this international engagement, the following are proposed: Incorporate pediatric optometry workshops into the regular internship curriculum.
- Organize annual international expert lectures to enrich clinical training.
- Conduct pediatric community-based screenings as an extension of student internships.
- Strengthen MCU-VOSH collaboration for continuous knowledge exchange, training, and outreach.

VI. Conclusion

The Clinical Pediatric Training with Dr. Bruce Moore successfully advanced the knowledge, skills, and confidence of participants in pediatric optometry. The event highlighted MCU's commitment to academic and clinical excellence, reinforced international partnerships, and strengthened community-centered care initiatives.

The presence of MCU leadership, recognition of faculty and student organizations, and the



expertise of Dr. Moore made this training a milestone in the College of Optometry's pursuit of world-class education and service.

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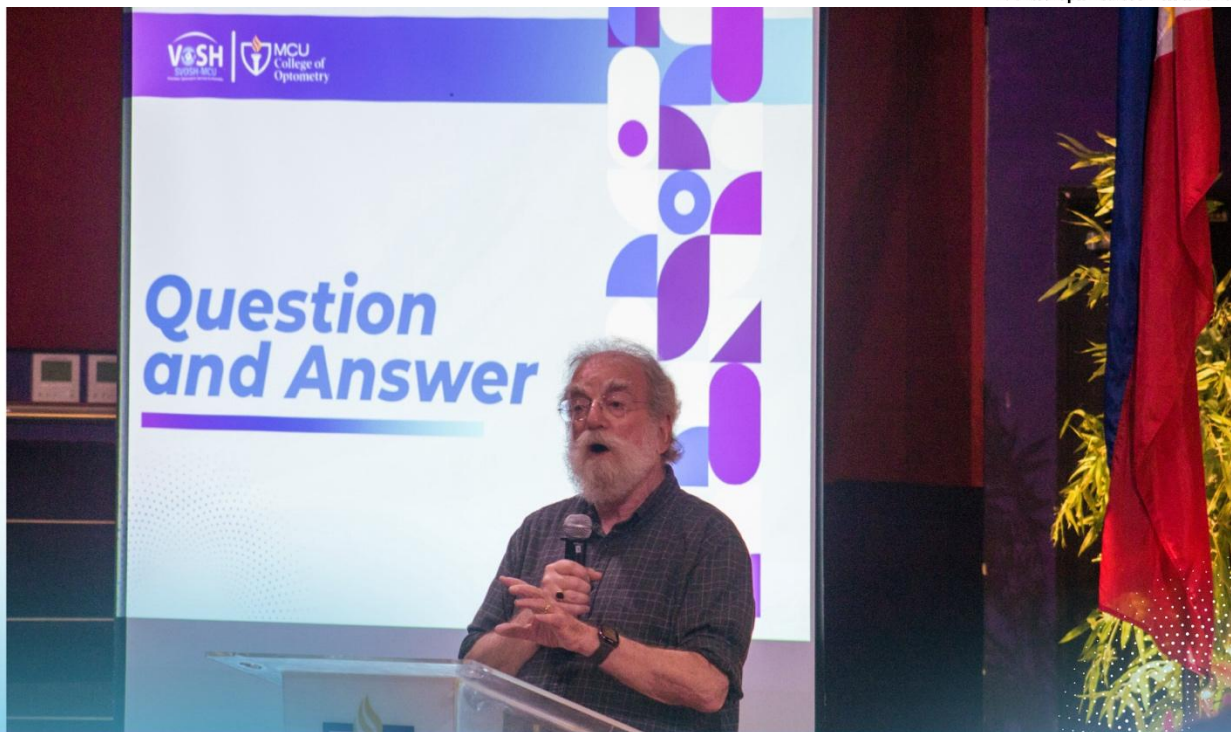
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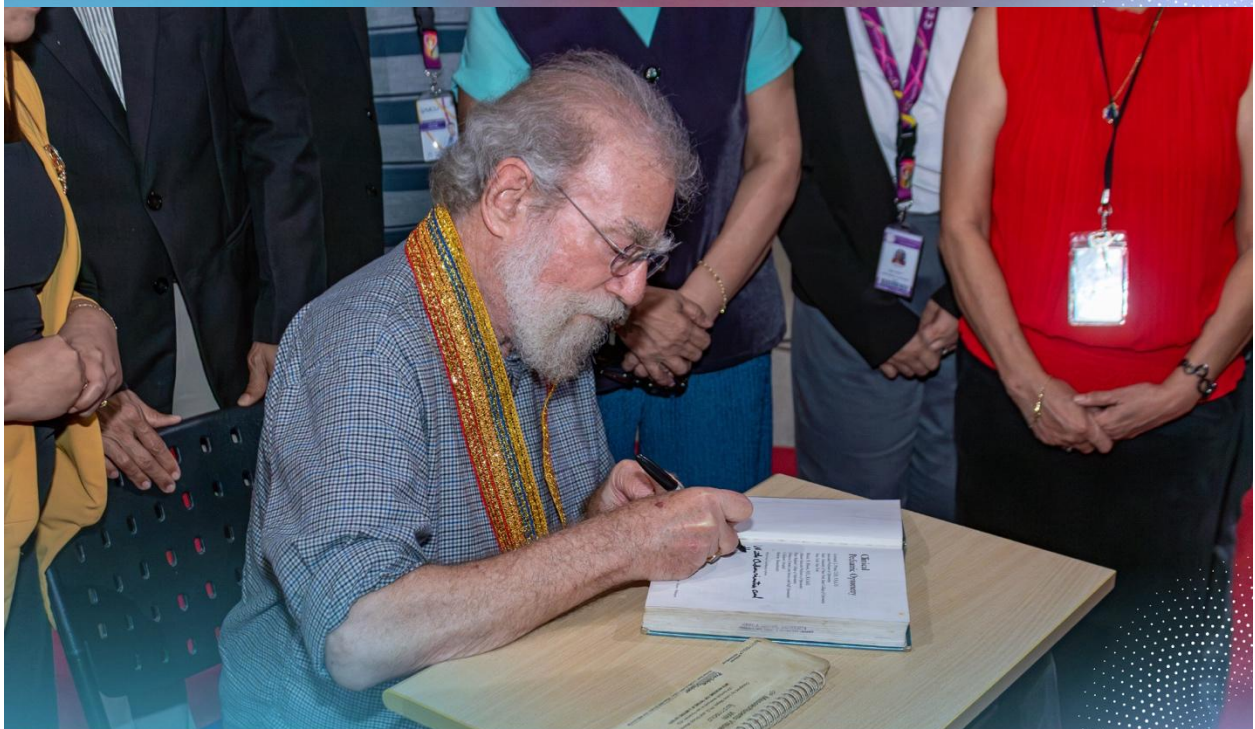
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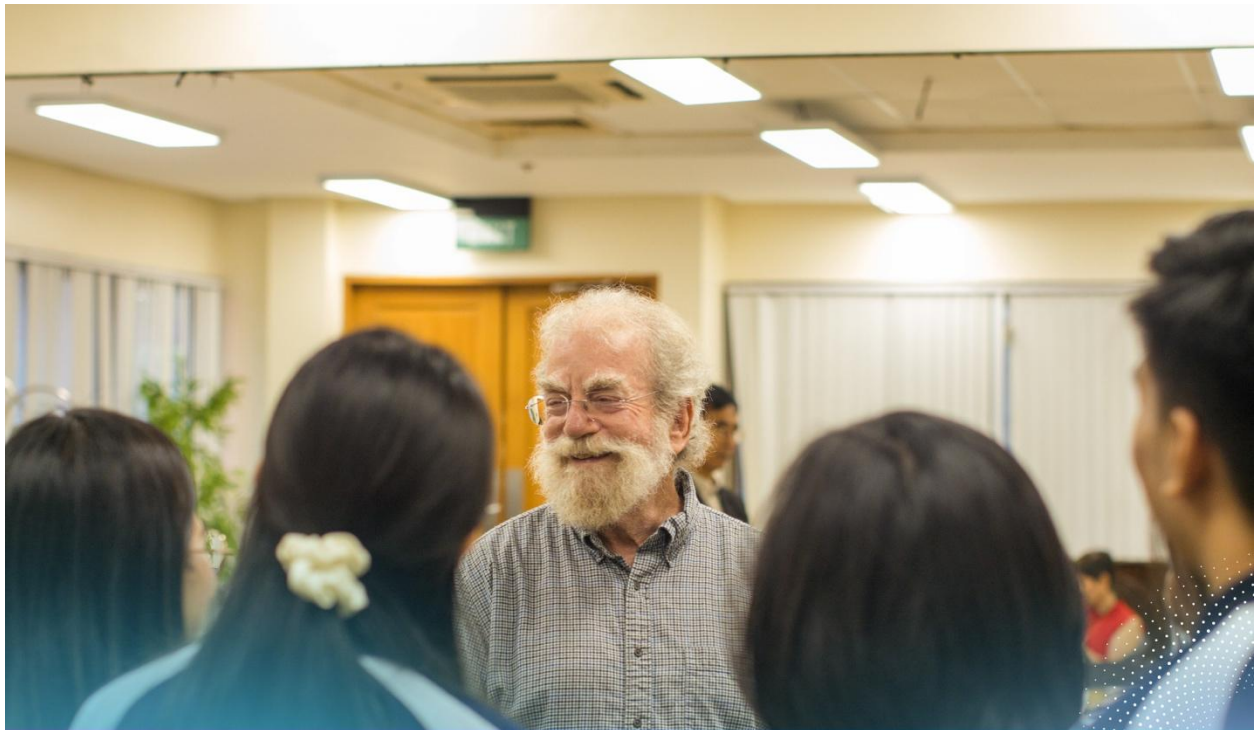










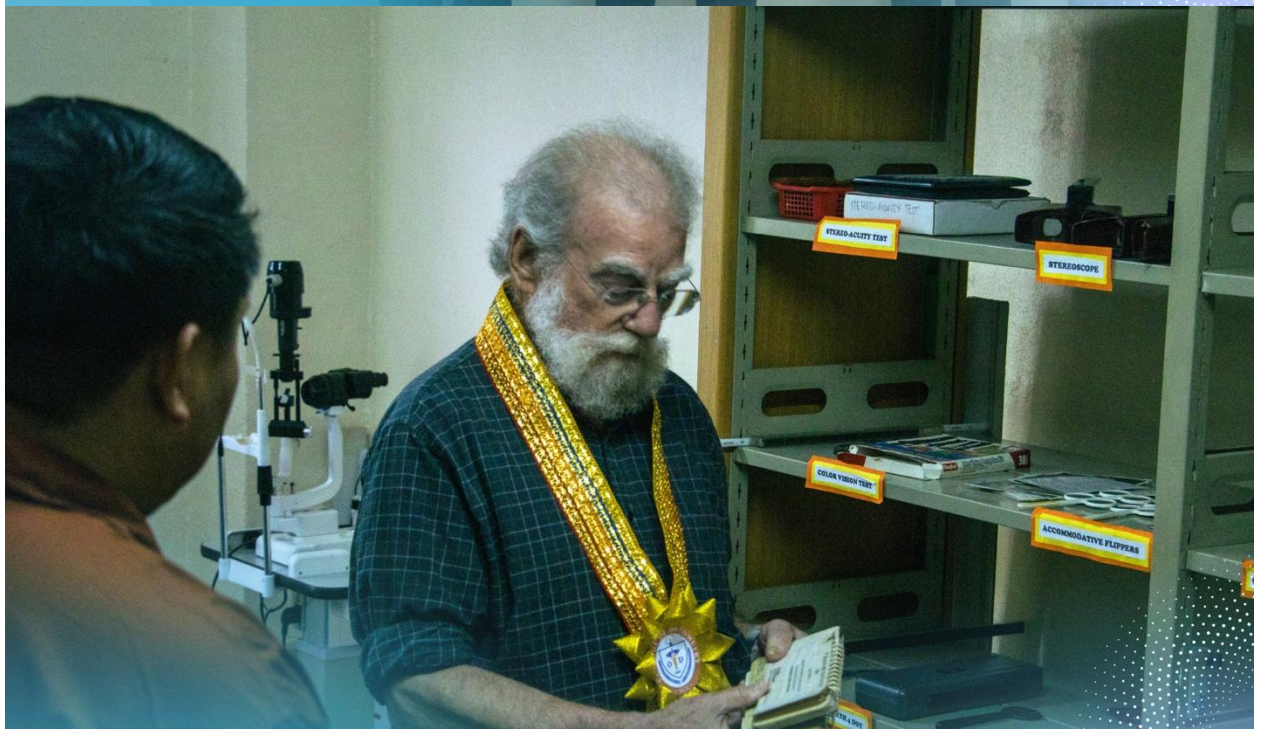




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