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AZCOPT Arizona College of Optometry, Midwestern University	2	6	0	**8**	The Arizona College of Optometry is affiliated with programs at the Midwestern University Eye Institute in Arizona (Ocular Disease, Cornea & Contact Lens, and Pediatrics), the Eye Associates of New Mexico, National Capital Consortium/Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, Phoenix Children's Hospital, and Phoenix VA.
CCO Chicago College of Optometry, Midwestern University	0	1	0	**1**	The Chicago College of Optometry is affiliated with one external Ocular Disease residency program at Price Vision Group in Indianapolis, Indiana, with an emphasis on anterior segment disease as well as ocular and refractive surgery. Information related to the program can be found at https://www.midwestern.edu/academics/degrees-programs/doctor-optometry-program/chicago-college-optometry/optometric-residencies-cco
IAUPR Inter American University of Puerto Rico, School of Optometry	0	1	0	**1**	The Primary Eye Care Residency Program at IAUPR provides post-graduate training to one resident per year to develop proficiency in areas of primary care optometry, gain experience with multidisciplinary settings including pre- and post -ophthalmic operative care and rotation in the following specialty areas: Contact lenses (regular and specialty), Visual training, Pediatrics, Low Vision, Electro-diagnostics, Prosthesis, Ocular Disease and Ocular Disease co-management. The program also provides the resident with experience in teaching, research and scholarly activities.
ICO Illinois College of Optometry	5	24	0	**29**	The Illinois College of Optometry offers 5 on-campus and 11 affiliate programs. There are a total of 29 possible positions. The ICO on-campus programs are 5 Ocular Disease/Primary Care positions, 2 Pediatric Optometry/Vision Therapy positions, 2 Cornea & Contact Lens/Ocular Disease postitions, 2 Low Vision Rehabilitation/Geriatric positions, and 2 Neurophthalmic Disorders (one resident each year for a two year program). The affiliated programs include sites in Colorado, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, and Indiana. Residents gain advance competency in eye care through education, scholarship, and patient care.Details about the programs are found at https://www.ico.edu/residency-programs
IUSO Indiana University, School of Optometry	6	15	0	**21**	The Indiana University School of Optometry residency program includes 24 residency positions across two internal and eleven affiliated external sites. There are five internal residency positions at IUSO including Cornea and Contact Lens, Ocular Disease, Pediatrics, Vision Rehabilitation and Primary Care. IUSO has external residency sites across the country in a wide area of settings including VA Medical Centers, referral centers and University clinics. Of the eleven external residency sites, there are ten programs with a primary emphasis in Ocular Disease and one in Primary Care. Information on each residency can be found at: https://www.optometry.iu.edu/admissions-academics/residencies/
KYCO University of Pikeville, Kentucky College of Optometry	0	2	0	**2**	The University of Pikeville Kentucky College of Optometry has three affiliated residency programs with two internal programs in ocular disease and pediatric optometry and one external program which is ocular disease-based. The external program is located at Milan Eye Center in Cumming, Georgia. Information on each residency program can be found at: https://www.upike.edu/optometry/kyco-residencies/.
MCO Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University	3	8	0	**11**	The Michigan College of Optometry offers 13 residency positions across two on-campus and seven affiliate programs, providing advanced clinical training in Ocular Disease, Primary Care, Community Health, Cornea & Contact Lenses, and Pediatrics. On-campus programs include Cornea & Contact Lenses and Pediatrics. Affiliate programs include four VA sites — Battle Creek VA, Wyoming VA, John Dingell VA, and the Northern Indiana Health Care System — each offering ocular disease experience, along with two private practice locations, Specialty Eye Institute (Ocular Disease) and Henry Ford OptimEyes (Primary Care), and one community health site, Cherry Health.
MCPHS Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, School of Optometry	1	1	0	**2**	The MCPHS School of Optometry has 1 affiliated residency program with 2 positions (Off-Campus at Greenville VA Healthcare Center in Greenville, NC - Ocular Disease).
NECO New England College of Optometry	4	38	0	**42**	NECO offers 20 residency programs with a total of 46 paid positions throughout the New England states. Five residents are based at the New England College of Optometry Center for Eye Care (Cornea and Contact Lenses-2, Pediatric Optometry-2, Low Vision Rehabilitation-1). 30 residents are at VA Hospitals and Outpatient Clinics (Ocular Disease-31, Vision Rehabilitation-1). Five residents are at community health centers (Primary Care Optometry-3, Ocular Disease-2). Two are based at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary (Ocular Disease-2) and two are based at private MD/OD practices (Cornea and Contact Lenses-1, Ocular Disease-1).

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NOVA Nova Southeastern University, College of Optometry	8	27	0	**35**	NOVA Southeastern University College of Optometry has a total of 40 residency positions. NOVA has nine (9) in-house residency positions including one (1) full pediatric and binocular vision position and eight (8) primary care positions which allow for an area of emphasis in either pediatrics/binocular vision, cornea/contact lenses, ocular disease, or low vision. In addition, NOVA sponsors thirteen (13) affiliate residency sites with thirty-one (31) positions located within both private practices, hositals, and Veteran Affairs Medical Centers throughout Florida and Atlanta, GA.
NSUOCO Northeastern State University-Oklahoma College of Optometry	7	14	0	**21**	Northeastern State University Oklahoma College of Optometry is dedicated to excellence in residency education and regards the training of its residents as one of its highest priorities. Residency sponsors include Oklahoma College of Optometry, referrals/surgery centers, private clincs, Veterans Affairs Medical Centers and the U.S.Army. Proframs are located in Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, North Carolina, and Canada. Each residency program has a strong clinical emphasis and is well-rounded with educational activities such as teaching, literature review, case presentation and research.
OSU The Ohio State University, College of Optometry	8	21	0	**29**	The Ohio State University has 16 residency sites. These sites are located in Academic Medical Centers, the College of Optometry,Children's Hospitals, Private Practices and at Veterans Affair Medical Centers and Outpatient Clinics. We offer programs in three categories: Ocular Disease, Cornea and Contact Lenses and Pediatric Optometry. A listing of the residency programs affilated with The Ohio State University College of Optometry can be found at https://optometry.osu.edu/academics/residency-programs/program-descriptions
PCO/Drexel Pennsylvania College of Optometry, Drexel University, Elkins Park Campus	7	25	0	**32**	PCO at Drexel University offers a diverse selection of residency programs at The Eye Institute in Philadelphia, PA, as well as at its various affiliated residency sites, which include VA hospitals and large tertiary care OMD/OD practices spanning from Upstate NY to central FL. On-Campus Residency Programs: Ocular Disease with available emphases in Primary Care, Retina, or Glaucoma; Pediatric Optometry/Vision Therapy; Low Vision Rehabilitation; Cornea and Contact Lenses; Neuro Ophthalmic Disease (2 year program - 1 resident taken each year). Off-Campus Residency Programs: OMNI Eye Services of NJ, Iselin, NJ; WilkesBarre VAMC, Wilkes Barre, PA; Erie VAMC, Erie, PA; Wilmington VAMC, Wilmington DE; Baltimore VAMC, Baltimore MD; Baltimore OMNI, Baltimore MD; Virginia Eye Consultants, Norfolk, VA; James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital, Tampa, FL; Newsom Eye, Tampa, F; Mid Atlantic Cornea Consultants, York, PA; Rochester Regional Health/Reed Eye, Pittsford; University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, Pittsburgh, PA; Vistar Eye Center, Roanoke, VA.
PUCO Pacific University, College of Optometry	1	10	no data: 8	**19**	Pacific University College of Optometry has 26 residency positions at 16 affiliated sites across the US and Canada. There are 14 residency positions located within VA Medical Centers, 10 in private practices, and 2 positions at our college clinics. Affiliated programs include specialties in Cornea and Contact Lenses, Geriatric Optometry, Low Vision Rehabilitation, Ocular Disease, Pediatric Optometry, Primary Care Optometry, Refractive & Ocular Surgery, and Vision Therapy & Rehabilitation. Information about each program can be found on the PUCO residency program homepage: http://www.pacificu.edu/residency
SCCOMBKU Southern California College of Optometry at Marshall B. Ketchum University	12	41	0	**53**	SCCO at MBKU hosts 24 residency programs / offers 51 residency positions across 6 different states (California, Nevada, Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, and Washington). Currently, we have 53 residents enrolled this year. We offer a variety of residencies in Primary Eye Care, Cornea and Contact Lenses, Geriatric Optometry, Pediatric Optometry, Low Vision Rehabilitation, Vision Therapy and Rehabilitation, Ocular Disease, Brain Injury Vision Rehabilitation. Our on-campus residencies include the Cornea and Contact Lenses and the Pediatric Optometry and Vision Therapy programs. We have a unique affiliation with 9 Indian Health Service and 8 Veteran Administration residency programs. We are also fortunate to expand our residency affiliations and partnership in residency education within 4 Health Maintenance Organizations and 4 private/co-management practices.
SCO Southern College of Optometry	6	29	0	**35**	Residency programs provide recent graduates with additional opportunities to greatly expand their clinical knowledge and skills. Southern College of Optometry (SCO) provides residency programs in: Ocular Disease, Pediatric Optometry, Primary Care Optometry, Vision Rehabilitation, and Cornea and Contact Lenses. Several programs have additional areas of emphasis. Most SCO in-house residencies are 12.5 months in length and typically begin July 1st. Some programs offer more than one position. Residents are provided an annual stipend and receive professional liability insurance and other benefits. Residency programs at SCO provide enhanced opportunities to attain advanced knowledge in specialty areas of interest, to develop clinical expertise in the diagnosis and management of difficult patient problems, to conduct clinical research, to interact with highly experienced faculty in all clinical areas and to interact with residents in other programs.
SUNY State University of New York, College of Optometry	8	33	0	**41**	SUNY, College of Optometry has been conducting year-long optometric residencies since 1974 (1974-1975 first class year), when the in-house Vision Therapy Residency was established. This was the first optometric residency program in the country and the third to receive accreditation status. Since that time, the residency programs affiliated with and at the College have expanded to include programs in the following areas: Cornea and Contact Lenses, Ocular Disease, Primary Care Optometry, Pediatric Optometry, Vision Rehabilitation and Low Vision Rehabilitation, as well as a Combined Residency/Graduate Degree Program. Specific program areas of emphasis may include one or two of the above-listed category titles and/or the following: Anterior Segment; Glaucoma; Retina; Brain Injury Rehabilitation; Vision Therapy and Vision Rehabilitation; Community Health Optometry.

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UABSO University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Optometry	2	14	0	**16**	Consistent with its educational mission, the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry (UABSO) places significant emphasis on residency education. UABSO strives to develop, maintain, advance, and promote post-doctoral clinical training programs of excellence in the major areas of optometric care. Currently, 8 residency programs offer a total of 16 residency positions. The in-house residency programs at UABSO include Primary Care, Cornea & Contact Lenses, and Pediatric Optometry. Our affiliated programs offer advanced clinical training in the areas of Vision Rehabilitation with emphasis in Low Vision Rehabilitation and Ocular Disease at the Birmingham VAMC (Birmingham, AL), Ocular Disease with emphasis in Primary Care Optometry and Retina at the Tuscaloosa VAMC (Tuscaloosa, AL), Pediatric Optometry at Vanderbilt Eye Institute (Nashville, TN), Ocular Disease with emphasis in Refractive and Ocular Surgery at Eye Center of Texas (Houston, TX), and Ocular Disease at Omni Eye Services of Atlanta (Atlanta, GA).
UCB University of California, Berkeley, Herbert Wertheim School of Optometry & Vision Science	5	15	0	**20**	The residency program at Berkeley Optometry admits the best qualified post-graduate optometrists and provides them with advanced clinical education and concentrated clinical experience in specialty areas of optometry. We offer both on-campus and off-campus affiliated residency programs. UC Berkeley offers 7 on-campus residencies in the following specialty areas: Vision Therapy and Vision Rehabilitation, Ocular Disease, Cornea and Contact Lenses, Primary Care Optometry/Cornea & Contact Lenses, Pediatric Optometry/Primary Care Optometry, Low Vision Rehabilitation, and Primary Care/Community Health Optometry. UC Berkeley is also affiliated with the following programs to offer 13 positions - UC San Francisco and 4 VA Medical Centers in Fresno, CA, Reno, NV, San Francisco, CA and Palo Alto, CA.
UHCO University of Houston, College of Optometry	2	9	0	**11**	UHCO offers diverse opportunities for advanced clinical training with 10 residency programs and 13 positions. Programs at UHCO clinics include: a) Vision Rehabilitation with emphasis in Brain Injury Rehabilitation, b) Cornea and Contact Lenses, c) Primary Care Optometry, d) Low Vision Rehabilitation, e) Ocular Disease (3 programs- Houston, Dallas, Ft. Worth), and f) Pediatric Optometry. Affiliated Programs include: a) Houston DeBakey VA Medical Center – Primary Eye Care with emphasis in Ocular Disease, and b) Albuquerque VA Medical Center – Primary Eye Care with emphasis in Ocular Disease.
UIWRSO University of the Incarnate Word, Rosenberg School of Optometry	4	11	0	**15**	Residency in Primary Care Optometry at Brooke Army Medical Center - Category Title: Ocular Disease - Emphasis: Cornea and Contact Lenses - 2 positions Residency in Primary Care Optometry at the Rosenberg School of Optometry - Category Title: Ocular Disease - 2 positions Residency in Brain Injury Vision Rehabilitation and Ocular Disease at the Audie Murphy VA Hospital - Category Title: Ocular Disease - Emphasis: Brain Injury Rehabilitation - 2 positions-Residency in Vision Therapy and Rehabilitation at Optometry Center for Vision Therapy - Category Title: Vision Rehabilitation - Emphasis: Vision Therapy and Rehabilitation - 3 positions Residency in Low Vision Rehabilitation at the Rosenberg School of Optometry - Category Title: Vision Rehabilitation - Emphasis: Ocular Disease, Low Vision Rehabilitation - 1 position Residency in Vision Therapy and Rehabilitation & Pediatric Optometry at Arkansas VDC - Category Title: Pediatric Optometry - Emphasis: Vision Therapy and Rehabilitation - 1 position-Residency in Ocular Disease at the Doris Miller VAMC - Category Title: Ocular Disease - Emphasis: Ocular Disease - 2 positions Residency in Ocular Disease and Refractive Surgery at Parkhurst NuVision - Category Title: Ocular Disease - Emphasis: Refractive and Ocular Surgery, Anterior Segment - 1 position Residency in Ocular Disease at the Harlingen VA Health Care Center - Category Title: Ocular Disease - Emphasis: Ocular Disease - 1 position J23Residency in Pediatric Optometry and Vision Therapy & Vision Rehabilitation - Category Title: Pediatric Optometry - Emphasis: Vision Therapy and Vision Rehabilitation - 1 position
UMSL University of Missouri at St. Louis, College of Optometry	3	11	0	**14**	Pediatric Optometry at Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics Kansas City Ocular Disease with emphasis in Glaucoma and Low Vision Rehabilitation at the Kansas City VA Medical Center Ocular Disease with emphasis in Primary Care and Geriatric Optometry at the Robert J. Dole VA Medical Center Primary Care with emphasis in Ocular Disease at the St. Louis VA Medical Center Pediatric Optometry at Children's Wisconsin Cornea and Contact Lenses at UMSL Pediatrics and Binocular Vision at UMSL Ocular Disease with an Emphasis in Cornea and Contact Lenses at Washington University in St. Louis
WUCO Western University, College of Optometry	1	1	0	**2**	The mission of the Vision Rehabilitation (VR) Residency at Western University of Health Sciences, College of Optometry (WUCO) is to offer two residency positions that provide Doctors of Optometry advanced comprehensive training in two different aspects of vision rehabilitation: the combinations of either neuro-optometric rehabilitation and vision therapy, or neuro-optometric rehabilitation and low vision rehabilitation. Each resident will provide rehabilitation services to patients of different ages through interprofessional collaborations with other health care professionals in a variety of clinical settings. The curriculum is designed to offer advanced competency in vision rehabilitation to prepare the resident for future practice and leadership in variety of clinic settings including Rehabilitation hospitals/clinics, academia, and private practices with a specialty care emphasis.
TOTAL	**95**	**357**	**0**	**460**	
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ÉOUM University of Montréal, School of Optometry	0	5	0	**5**	2 residents in ocular health, 2 residents in contact lenses, 1 resident in pediatrics/binocular vision. Université de Montréal's residency program offers the following options: binocular vision and pediatrics, cornea and contact lenses, low vision and visual rehabilitation, ocular health and community optometry/public health.
UWOVS University of Waterloo, School of Optometry and Vision Science	1	2	0	**3**	The University of Waterloo, School of Optometry and Vision Science offers a 13-month postgraduate experiential residency training programs designed to advance patient care skills beyond entry-level practice. Residents provide supervised clinical eye and vision care services while participating in a variety of educational activities, including self-directed learning, seminars, workshops, conferences, laboratory and clinical teaching, and scholarly activities. Cornea and Contact Lenses Residency (1 position): This residency is designed to extend and refine knowledge and skill in the areas of cornea and specialty contact lenses such as orthokeratology, corneal and scleral GP (for example keratoconus, ocular surface protection, multifocal and toric designs) and lenses for astigmatism, presbyopia and myopia control. Vision Rehabilitation, Emphasis on Low Vision Rehabilitation Residency (1 position): Residents will gain advanced clinical competence in low vision rehabilitation by providing assessments and developing comprehensive rehabilitation management plans within interdisciplinary team, including: Pediatric low vision, Geriatric low vision, return to work/school, visual fitness for driving, medical brain injury. Ocular Disease, Emphasis on Glaucoma Residency (1 position): This residency will provide the training and education to deliver advanced optometric care that meets the needs of a diverse population of ocular disease. A full range of patient care services with an emphasis in the differential diagnosis and management of glaucoma, anterior segment disease, posterior segment, neurological disease and acute/emergency care. Pediatric Optometry, Emphasis on Vision Therapy and Vision Rehabilitation(1 accredited;1 non accredited positions): This residnecy is designed to enhance clinical training, comfort and efficiency in examining patients of all types/needs, including the treatment and managemet of strabismic and non-strabismic, binocular vision disorders, special needs, brain injury and vision related learning difficulties.
GRAND TOTAL	**96**	**364**	**0**	**468**	
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