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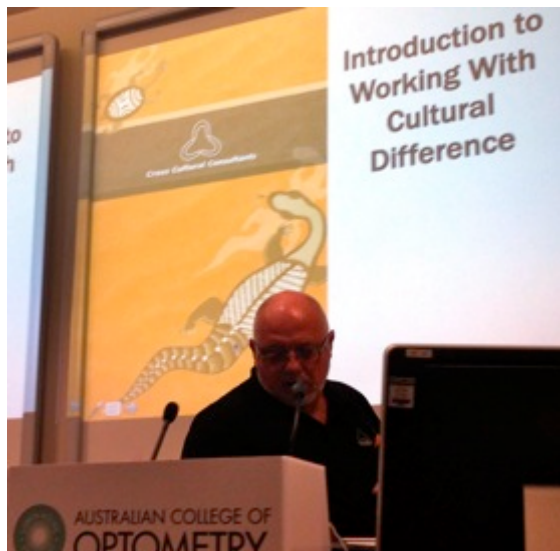
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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Brien Holden Vision Institute Cross Cultural Training Seminar**

On Sunday 9th February the ACO hosted a Cross Cultural Training Seminar, in partnership with the Brien Holden Vision Institute and the Indigenous Eye Health Unit of the University of Melbourne. The day was funded by the Commonwealth Government Department of Health Visiting Optometrist Scheme. It was a day of interactive cross cultural training concerning Aboriginal health care. The seminar explored in detail the context in which the Institute's outreach program operates in the Northern Territory including, the dynamics of Central Desert communities, clinical and cultural considerations during eye examinations, and the structural and systemic causes of racism. Twenty optometrists from Victoria and Tasmania attended the seminar, more than half of whom were ACO staff.

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