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Salus University Hosts 2024 Envision Conference

Elkins Park, **Pa.** - Salus University hosted the annual Envision Conference, the premier international conference for networking with medical professionals, researchers and industry representatives. Eighteen years ago, the Envision Conference began as the first multidisciplinary conference dedicated to vision rehabilitation and research.

This year's conference ran from April 11 through April 13. The multidisciplinary low vision rehabilitation and research conference by Envision University in collaboration with the Pennsylvania College of Optometry (PCO) at Salus, the William Feinbloom Low Vision Rehabilitation Center housed at The Eye Institute (TEI), the clinical teaching facility for PCO, and Salus University's Blindness and Low Vision Studies (BLVS) and Occupational Therapy (OT) programs.

Thirty hours of education and research were presented over the three days, and participants could receive up to 15 hours of continuing education credit. The events exhibit hall included the latest vision rehabilitation techniques and assistive devices for use and purchase. Several Salus faculty members were among the featured speakers at the conference.

The trip from Lubbock, Texas was worth it for Donald Hooks, a VIST (Visual Impairment Services Team) coordinator representing Veterans Affairs.

"What I [saw] at this conference that impressed me [was] the knowledge base [the conference is] providing from all the different speakers," said Hooks, himself a visually impaired Veteran. "I am also very impressed that they have not only helped me but embraced me with my field of vision loss. And, they are helping me understand how to help the blind and visually impaired Veterans I work with."

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About Salus University

Salus University, founded as the Pennsylvania College of Optometry in 1919, today is a diversified, globally recognized professional academic center of learning that offers a wide range of degree programs in the professions of Optometry, Audiology, Physician Assistant, Blindness and Low Vision Studies, Biomedicine, Occupational Therapy, Speech-Language Pathology and Orthotics and Prosthetics. Salus operates three clinical facilities in Philadelphia and Montgomery counties that provide highly

specialized vision, hearing and balance, and speech-language pathology services. The University has more than 1,200 students, and more than 14,000 alumni worldwide. For more information, please visit www.salus.edu.