

Lions Outback Vision provides integrated eye health services to remote communities

Australia's wide open spaces and cultural diversity present real challenges when it comes to delivering sustainable regional and remote eye health care services.

Statistics compiled by Professor Hugh Taylor and the National Indigenous Eye Health Survey (NIEHS) Team, state that blindness occurs 6.2 times more commonly in Indigenous adults than non-Indigenous adults.

The 2008 study found that 94% of vision loss is preventable or treatable, but 35% of adults had never had an eye exam.

Everyone should have access to comprehensive and appropriate eye health care services regardless of where they live and Lions Outback Vision, a small, dedicated team of eye health professionals, is committed to improving the eye health of rural, remote and Indigenous Western Australians.

Lions Outback Vision provides specialist eye health care services throughout the Pilbara, Kimberley, Goldfields, Midwest, Southwest and Great Southern regions of Western Australia.

Established in 2010 with the support of the Lions Eye Institute and the University of Western Australia, Lions Outback Vision addresses the unique challenges of delivering quality specialist eye health care to remote communities by developing and implementing innovative and sustainable service delivery models.



Dr Angus Turner examines a patient