



8TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF BEHAVIOURAL OPTOMETRY

Speaker: Cathy Stern

Credentials: COVD, NORA, CSO, AOA

Time/Date Scheduled: 1100 – 1230 on Sunday, 29 April

Location: Room C2.4

Biography: Dr. Cathy Stern OD, FCOVD, FCSO, FNORA limits her practice near Boston to vision therapy, syntonics phototherapy and neuro-optometric rehabilitation. She presents about acquired brain injury, vision therapy, syntonics phototherapy, myopia control and assistive technology. She teaches for NORA Curriculum II, is physician mentor for MIT “Engineering the Eye” and adjunct faculty for NECO. Dr. Dr. Stern believes the eye and vision are key players in prevention, enhancement and rehabilitation for lifelong success.

Presentation Title: **Unilateral Spatial Neglect**

Abstract: Unilateral Spatial Neglect is a debilitating post stroke neurocognitive disorder in which a deficit in attention to and awareness of one side of space is observed. Functional consequences are considerable and many patients can no longer live fully independent lives. New research is providing us with better tools for testing, proper diagnosis and treatment for this condition. This course will cover the causes, types, and theories of spatial neglect along with its impact and treatment strategies. You will leave knowing how to test for unilateral spatial neglect, how to differentiate it from hemianopsia, be aware of variations of the condition and learn techniques to help remediate the spatial inattention.