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The Vocational Rehabilitation Association of Canada - Ontario Society Education Committee presents:

UNDERSTANDING VISION & ITS IMPACT IN ASSISTING CLIENTS ACHIEVE THEIR VOCATIONAL POTENTIAL

*A Closer Look at Vision Impairments, the Process of Vision Rehabilitation and a Demonstration of Adaptive
Technology Vision Aids*

DATE: Wednesday April 30, 2008

TIME: 1:30 – 5:00 pm (Registration 1:00pm)

PLACE: Hilton Garden Inn, 3201 Highway 7 West, Vaughan, ON L4K 5Z7

SPEAKERS:

Dr. Kashif Zoberi, B.Sc., O.D. – Doctor of Optometry, currently practicing at Mississauga Vision Centre. Dr. Zoberi has developed a low vision clinic at this location and has been providing sight enhancement services for the last 10 years. He is a registered authorizer and vendor of low vision aids through the Assistive Devices Program of Ontario. He also provides functional visual assessments that determine the visual capacity and barriers to vocational performance for visually impaired patients trying to reintegrate into the workforce.

Samera Q. Zoberi, B.Sc., R.R.P. – Vision Rehabilitation Consultant, currently working at Mississauga Vision Centre. She is a graduate of the York – Seneca Rehabilitation Services Program and has received a Certificate in Adaptive Technology Aids from Mohawk College. She is a Registered Rehabilitation Professional and a professional member of the Vocational Rehabilitation Association of Canada. She provides vocational counselling, adaptive technology assessments and training, employment accommodation services specific to visually impaired clients trying to reintegrate into the workforce.

Ryan Heeney is the Territory Manager, Central Canada for Eschenbach Optik of America. Eschenbach is a manufacturer of premium magnification devices for the visually impaired and provides a turnkey program including training and support for aspiring low vision practitioners. Ryan has assisted in establishing over 20 low vision clinics in Central Canada and manages approximately 350 customers in the region. He has provided over 600 hours of in-office and seminar training. Ryan has a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Western Ontario and a Business Certificate in Marketing from Humber College.

Key Topics To Be Covered In This Session Will Include:

- Common Causes for Visual Disabilities within the Working Age Community – An Overview
- Understanding Visual Impairments Secondary to Motor Vehicle Accidents (MVA) and Acquired Brain Injuries (ABI)
- Optical Aids & Their Role in Enhancing Visual Function and Assisting in Employability
- Adaptive Technology and Other Accommodations for Achieving Success with Visually Impaired Clients
- Discussion about Functional Visual Assessments, Employment Accommodations, etc.
- Case Study Presentation – MVA/ ABI Client with visual impairment: A Journey to Returning Back to Work
- Live Demonstration of Low- Tech and High-Tech Vision Adaptive Aids to Achieve Vocational Potential
- Question and Answer Session - An opportunity to ask the panel questions with regards to any aspects of visual disability and vocational reintegration

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