

Dr. Patrick Quaid | Optometrist, FCOVD, PhD



Originally from Ireland, Dr. Patrick Quaid studied Statistical Mathematics (medical related), subsequently trained as an Optometrist in the UK (University of Bradford School of Optometry) and worked in the Hospital Eyecare System (Moorfield's Eye Hospital, London & Bradford Royal Infirmary) specifically dealing with the pre-operative and post-operative treatment of strabismus and co-management of glaucoma. Dr. Quaid was awarded his Doctorate in Vision Science at the University of Waterloo School of Optometry (UWSO) in 2005 in addition to a one-year Post-Doctorate funded by the Canadian Institute of Health Research. Dr. Quaid's PhD thesis and post-doctoral research aided in the development of an early detection

device for glaucoma (Heidelberg Edge Perimeter), which is now in commercial use. Dr. Quaid serves as Adjunct Faculty at both the University of Waterloo School of Optometry and also as Adjunct Faculty at the University of Toronto Sports Medicine Clinic. He has published several papers as first author in high impact optometry and ophthalmology journals such as Investigative Ophthalmology and Vision Science and Graefe's Archives of Clinical & Experimental Ophthalmology on topics related to both glaucoma and the challenging area of binocular vision dysfunction and how it relates to learning disabilities and concussion injuries. Dr. Quaid frequently lends his expertise as a speaker and a writer on a variety of topics related to vision health. He has spoken at venues such as the Thyroid Society of Canada, McMaster University Medical School, University of Western Ontario Medical School in addition to concussion based lectures for both physicians and medical students at the University of Toronto Medical School. Dr. Quaid has also given interviews to numerous media outlets across Canada on the topic of Binocular Vision dysfunction and its relationship to 3-D Technology. In addition to his PhD and Post-Doctoral training, Dr. Quaid has also completed a Fellowship with the College of Optometrists & Vision Development (one of only 13 Canadian optometrists who have attained full USA Board Certification designation in the area of Rehabilitative Vision Therapy). Dr. Quaid also currently sits both on the Quality Assurance Committee and as an elected Council Member for the Ontario College of Optometrists. Dr. Quaid also serves as Section Editor for the Journal "Optometry & Vision Development."

In January 2014, Dr. Quaid opened the **Guelph Vision Therapy Centre**, which is the first clinic in Canada of its kind to integrate Occupational Therapy, Psychology, Speech and Language Pathology and Vision Therapy in a collaborative care effort. This clinic is remarkable in that it is completely non-dispensing in terms of optical devices to foster referrals from eye care professionals.