Benefits of being a COVD member!

Optometrists

- **Help your patients find you.** As a Fellow or Associate member you are listed on the Locate A Doctor feature on COVD’s website, which helps patients find you and colleagues can refer to you.
- **Referrals from other doctors.** Optometrists who do not practice vision therapy still often know of COVD, and will recommend a doctor who is affiliated with COVD
- **The letters 'FCOVD'.** Patients will hold you in higher esteem with the additional credentials.
- **Support an organization that supports you.** The COVD website has tremendous resources for parents and professionals, constantly updated with new and pertinent information.
- **Vision and Learning Month.** An easy way to promote your practice and vision therapy with the materials from COVD
- **Vision Therapy in the News.** Connect with the COVD social media powerhouse that helps to promote vision therapy across the nation.
- **The Meeting.** The annual COVD meeting is more than just incredible continuing education and events; it is a gathering of like minds. You will feel like family here.
- **Certification.** The process of becoming a certified Fellow of COVD is an educational, positive experience from start to finish.
- **Vision therapy changes lives.** With all that COVD does, becoming a member will help keep your practice positive and fulfilling.

Students and Residents

- **Join a compassionate and caring group.** Optometrists who have an interest in vision therapy tend to be some of the most caring, compassionate, and educated eye care providers.
- **Network with the best.** With the plentiful social events at the COVD meeting, the networking is at a premium.
- **COVD supports young ODs.** There are a number of gatherings at the annual meeting that support resident and student education and fellowship.
- **Stay connected to vision therapy.** Vision Therapy is a wonderful and fulfilling specialty within optometry and it is important to stay connected to other vision therapy doctors to obtain the best education.
- **Education.** Topics to complement your education and help you on the road to practicing vision therapy

Vision Therapists

- **Stay up to date.** Learn the latest techniques, stay current with research and build your knowledge base by utilizing COVD's many resources.
- **Certification.** The process of becoming a COVT is an educational, positive experience from start to finish. Patients will have a greater respect for you when they know you are certified and this can be a practice builder.
- **Resources.** Fact sheets and other patient resources to help support what you do.
- **The Meeting.** Rub shoulders with the best and brightest in developmental and behavioral optometry and learn a wealth of information when you attend COVD’s annual meeting.