

WHAT DATA ARE NEEDED?

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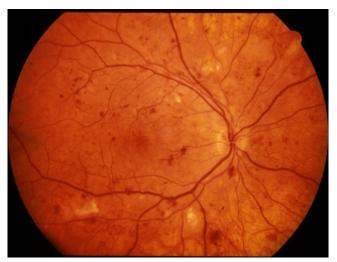
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HOW BIG IS THE PROBLEM?

Approximate estimates exist

- Helen Keller INTERNATIONAL
- Rates of diabetes are increasing, so updates are needed. Proportion with DR varies by country
- Detailed estimates by location for allocation of resources are helpful





WHAT IS THE VALUE OF SCREENING?

Helen Keller

- Cases detected and treated
- Low vision and blindness prevented
- Costs per case
- Increased productivity due to preservation of vision





- What are ideal numbers of personnel?
- Who should be doing what?
- Create a simple formula for service provision

ADDED VALUE OF SCREENING?

Helen Keller

- Referrals for other eye care
- Improvement in care for diabetes
- Revenue implications for institutions





"Although the world is full of suffering, it is also full of overcoming it." -Helen Keller