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To address issues of eye health around the world, IAPB is hosting the biggest ever World Sight Day along with partners and members. We want to tell everyone to #LoveYourEyes, and get 1 million people to have a sight test or care for their eyes.

The success of the #LoveYourEyes campaign will depend on everyone involved using their own communications channels, engaging influencers and promoting the campaign message. Together, we hope to create a powerful online moment that consumers will notice.

This toolkit provides guidance on how to talk about World Sight Day to consumers and encourage them to get an eye test through social media. The toolkit includes social assets (videos), suggested social post copy, as well as hashtags and relevant social handles.

The copy and images can be adjusted as needed, depending on usage, as long as the key messages remain consistent.
#LoveYourEyes messaging
On World Sight Day 14th October, it’s time to LOVE YOUR EYES.

Our eyes are working hard during the pandemic. We have been indoors, in front of our screens, and missed our eye test appointments. Now more than ever, we need to protect and prioritise our eyesight.

Short-sightedness is on the rise all across the world. By 2050, half the world’s population will be short-sighted.

There are simple things you can do yourself to prevent developing serious eye issues; take screen breaks, spend time outside, and get an eye test.

The 20-20-20 rule helps your eyes relax when you’re looking at a screen for a long time. Every 20 minutes, take 20 seconds to look 20 feet (6 meters) away.

Spending two hours outside every day is great for your eyes and lowers the risk of becoming short-sighted.

An eye test can identify eye conditions such as glaucoma before it has an effect on your sight. The earlier an eye condition is identified, the easier it is to treat.
Speaking to consumers...

**Do** refer to “loving your eyes”, “taking care of your eyes” and “protecting your eyesight” - language that is accessible to everyone.

**Don’t** say “eye health” or “eye care”, as consumers don’t know what that entails.

**Do** give people simple and concrete tips to taking care of their eyes.

**Don’t** use technical, medical terms they don’t understand (such as refractive error, myopia, macular degeneration).

**Do** speak to the individual about taking care of *their* eyes.

**Don’t** just speak about eye health as a national or global problem.

**Do** use positive and encouraging language.

**Don’t** made the topic scary or complex.
Handles, hashtags and CTAs

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@International_Agency_for_the_Prevention_of_Blindness_(IAPB)

#LoveYourEyes
#WorldSightDay

Get top tips to #LoveYourEyes https://www.iapb.org/world-sight-day/how-to-love-your-eyes/

Show us you #LoveYourEyes by pledging to get an eye test https://www.iapb.org/world-sight-day/pledging-tool/
Social media plan
Assets
To bring the messages to consumers to life, five videos have been produced for the #LoveYourEyes campaign:

**Video #1: Camera**
Positive message on loving your eyes

**Video #2: Healthy Eyes**
Four steps to #LoveYourEyes

**Video #3: Children**
Reminding adults to look after the eyes of children

**Video #4: 20/20/20 Rule**
Encouraging the 20/20/20 rule

**Video #5: Eye Break**
About screen time and the importance of screen breaks
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Up until World Sight Day, IAPB will be posting content promoting the day and highlighting partners. This can be reposted by your organisation for maximum reach, and will help World Sight Day appear as a cohesive global campaign.

We recommend tracking the hashtags #LoveYourEyes and #WorldSightDay on social media. This will both give you an idea of how the movement is developing, as well as show you content from IAPB or other partners that you may want to repost as well.

As coverage arising from our PR campaign comes in, we'll update this page with links to news articles which you can repost. This will be a living document, so keep an eye open for new posts here.
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Influencer outreach guide
Engaging influencers will be an important part of this campaign, as it will lend endorsement and reach with the right target audiences. Influencers will help increase knowledge of World Sight Day as well as share key advice to loving your eyes.

Influencers can be asked to:
- Act as ambassadors for the campaign, sharing the visions and promoting the whole #LoveYourEyes campaign to their followers
- Produce their own content, referencing eye health and giving top tips from IAPB
- Post/retweet content made for World Sight Day
Before starting your research, you should identify which influencers you already have an established relationship with. Also, take a look through your Twitter followers to see which large accounts might already be interested in your message.

For your further research, simple tools like Buzzsumo, Twitter advanced search and Followerwonk are all very useful. You can search for influencers via hashtags, topic or by keywords related to the topics - for example ‘glasses’ or ‘myopia’.

It’s important to look for influencers that can speak with authenticity about eye health, as well as ones that reach your target audiences (older and marginalised groups).
Once you have compiled a list of influencers, then you must undertake some serious vetting and ask yourself these questions before outreaching:

- Do they match us? Will they be able to authentically speak about eye health?
- Is their audience the kind that we want to reach?
- Have they said things that would be problematic for our cause or brand?

In-depth probing is important, and you shouldn’t just qualify influencers based solely on the size of their audience. Pay close attention to whether they have the right audience you want to reach with the campaign.

Often, smaller influencers have higher rates of engagement, so reaching out to several micro influencers (less than 50K followers) may be a better strategy.
## Outreach process

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<td>Email the influencer or their agent directly. Contact info will often be in bio or on other social media accounts. If not, it's fine to send a direct message.</td>
<td>Begin email with a greeting and phrases to establish a personal relationship. Then highlight a key stat or thought-provoking message on the issue discussed.</td>
<td>Talk about the campaign and reason for contacting them. For transparency, make it clear if the work is paid or unpaid and what content is expected.</td>
<td>If you don't hear back after a couple days, it's completely okay to reach out again and bump up the request in their inbox.</td>
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Nurturing the relationship

There are certain things you should do to end on good terms with your influencers:

- Keep in touch with them and update them on the campaign and what you need from them
- When the campaign is finished, thank them for their participation and share some insights on how the campaign did
- With a relationship now built, keep in contact with them as part of your network, so you can liaise with them for future campaigns
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