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**SEPT. 16 SPEAKER ON
AGE-RELATED MACULAR DEGENERATION**

LANCASTER, Penna. (Sept. 3, 2024) – VisionCorps will offer a free online seminar about age-related macular degeneration (ARMD) on Monday, Sept. 16, as part of its speaker series. The event is free and open to the public.

Macular degeneration is a retinal disease that affects many seniors. It can cause damage to central vision and could result in permanent impaired vision. The presentation will focus on age-related macular degeneration and its timeline – what to expect in different stages of the disease.

Dr. Dina Gewaily, from Lancaster Retina Specialists (photo attached) will present information about ARMD. She is returning for a second presentation on ARMD, having presented earlier this year about the disease and its treatment.

Gewaily is an experienced retinal surgeon who previously practiced in Philadelphia. She is an assistant professor of ophthalmology at the Scheie Eye Institute at the University of Pennsylvania, where she was chosen as the first female surgical retina fellow. She was a member of the surgical retina team that developed the first FDA-approved gene therapy in the U.S. for an inherited disease.

The public is invited to attend the online seminar:

**Age-Related Macular Degeneration:
What to Expect (Timeline, Stages, and More)
Dr. Dina Y. Gewaily, Lancaster Retina Specialists
Monday, Sept. 16, 2024
1-2:15 p.m.**

**To register to attend or get more information, please contact Miranda Golden,
717-925-7271 or email, mgolden@visioncorps.net.**

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About VisionCorps

VisionCorps is a nonprofit with a goal of empowering people who are blind or vision impaired to attain independence. The organization serves almost 2,000 individuals with rehabilitation services in Lancaster, Lebanon, Chester, York and Adams counties. VisionCorps' prevention services include KidSight, which screens more than 10,000 children annually for vision loss.
