NAEVR Participates in Vision Community Events

American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO) Annual Meeting

Left AAO’s Norm Lanphear, Dr. Tim Steinemann (Metro Health Medical Center/Case Western Reserve University), NAEVR Executive Director James Jorkasky and Dr. Walter Stark (Wilmer Eye Institute/Johns Hopkins), a NAEVR Board member. Dr. Steinemann chairs the AAO Committee for Research, Regulatory and External Scientific Relations, which works closely with NAEVR on advocacy.

Far Left Dr. Hugh Taylor (Centre for Eye Research Australia), who provided a keynote address, discussed his work in characterizing the economic impact and cost of vision loss in Australia. This groundbreaking effort serves as a model for other countries, including the United States. A NAEVR priority for 2007 is determining the cost effectiveness of the federal investment in vision research at the NEI.

American Academy of Optometry Annual Meeting

Dr. Varma has spoken at an AERV Capitol Hill Briefing on the NEI-funded Los Angeles Latino Eye Study (LALES).

Above left Dr. Melvin Shipp (Ohio State University School of Optometry) joins speakers Dr. Rohit Varma (Doheny Eye Institute/University of Southern California) and Michael Duenas (CDC’s Vision Health Initiative) who were featured in a luncheon entitled Challenges and Opportunities in Providing a Lifetime of Eye Care to the Underserved. Dr. Varma has spoken at an AEVR Capitol Hill Briefing on the NEI-funded Los Angeles Latino Eye Study (LALES).

Above right The American Optometric Association’s Dr. John Whitener and National Advisory Eye Council (NAEC) member Dr. Earl Smith, III, (University of Houston College of Optometry)