

Dear Colleague,

We are very happy to present the AOF Newsletter, the African Ophthalmology Forum (AOF)'s latest tool to facilitate communication on ophthalmology in Africa.

Most of you may already be aware of [AfricaVision](#), a discussion group on yahoo. AfricaVision turns 2 this week, with 123 registered members. If you are not yet a member, kindly visit the following link to sign up: <http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/AfricaVision/>

AOF ophthalmologists database has more than 528 email addresses, implying that very few of us are AfricaVision subscribers. Although we are proud of the 500 plus email addresses in our database, we still believe that this represents less than 30% of African ophthalmologists. We are hereby appealing to you, the recipient of this maiden AOF newsletter, to encourage your colleagues (including residents and fellows) and national ophthalmic society members to become part of the AOF family by signing up for this newsletter and [AfricaVision](#).

AOF has lots of exciting projects in the pipeline, and we plan, not just to keep you informed but most especially to have your active involvement in changing the face of ophthalmology in Africa.

Best wishes,

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