# EYE CARE



## THE FACTS

**253** million people are visually impaired • 81% of people are aged 50 years and over

84% of visual impairment results from chronic eye diseases

## **CONSEQUENCES OF VISUAL IMPAIRMENT**



**5X** more likely to be involved in a motor vehicle collision





**DX** more likely to suffer from depression and anxiety disorders 2x more likely to have a fall while walking



**ACTION** 

#### **OPPORTUNITIES**

81% of visual impairment could be avoided if diagnosed and treated early





**1.4** million children could benefit from vision rehabilitation

US\$102 billion could be saved with appropriate eye care services



Assess the availability of eye care services

Identify needs and gaps

#### Provide

high-quality and affordable eye care services to all

**Inform** people about eye disease prevention and care



www.who.int/blindness

Educate

about

importance

of regular eye exams