

# **Robin M Deacy, PhD, OTR/L, SCLV, COMS**

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## *Instructor*

## **Education**

- 2020 University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL  
PhD in Vision Science
- 2005 University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL  
Graduate Certificate in Low Vision Rehabilitation
- 2004 University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL  
Master of Science in Occupational Therapy
- 2002 University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, AL  
Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Therapy

## **Practice**

Dr. Deacy continues to maintain clinical practice. She practices in Mobile and Baldwin Counties, providing low vision rehabilitation services through Community Services for Vision Rehabilitation.

## **Research Interests**

Dr. Deacy is currently completing conducting research in the area of low vision rehabilitation, including examining effects of vision changes associated with glaucoma on reading and occupational performance in older adults; older adult participation in leisure and social activity; older adult participation in IADLs; and OT practitioners' perceptions on telehealth delivery model for low vision intervention.

## **Board Specialty Certifications**

- 2019 Certification in Orientation and Mobility, ACVREP
- 2018 Specialty Certification in Low Vision, American Occupational Therapy Association

## **Recent Publications**

### *Peer Reviewed Journal Articles*

Deacy, R.M., Yuen, H.K., Barstow, E.A., Warren, M. & Vogtle, L.K. (2012). A survey of the low vision rehabilitation curricula in occupational therapy and occupational therapy assistant programs. *American Journal of Occupational Therapy*, 66(6), 1–5.

<http://dx.doi.org/10.5014/ajot.2012.005124>

### *Peer Reviewed Presentations*

Deacy, R. (2019, March 18). Developing a Glaucoma Reading Behaviors Assessment. Envision East Conference, Birmingham.

Deacy, R. & Nipp, C. (2015, March 27). Topics in management of the older adult with low vision: Focus on self-management and mobility. Addressing Rehabilitation Needs Across the Life Span Conference, North Mississippi Medical Center, Tupelo.

Bowman, E., Deacy, R., DeCarlo, D. (2012, September 15). Multi-disciplinary collaboration in the university-based low vision rehabilitation practice. Envision Low Vision Rehabilitation and Research Conference, St. Louis.

Deacy, R. (2010, September 23). The OT's role in diabetes self-management in low vision rehabilitation. Envision Low Vision Rehabilitation and Research Conference, San Antonio.

### *Invited Presentation*

Deacy, R. (2017, October 13). Diabetes and Eye Care: What you need to know. Diabetes Self-Management Group, Diabetes Care Center at Providence Hospital, Mobile, Alabama

Deacy, R. (2016, March 16). Frequently Asked Questions about OT and Low Vision Rehabilitation, Macular Research Foundation Support Group, Mobile, Alabama

Deacy, R. (2015, November 11). Orientation & Mobility. Foundations in Low Vision Course. Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Alabama at Birmingham

Deacy, R. (2015, November 09). The Role of Occupational Therapy and Orientation & Mobility in Low Vision Rehabilitation. Low Vision Rehabilitation Course. School of Optometry, University of Alabama at Birmingham

Deacy, R. (2014, November 14). Orientation & Mobility. Foundations in Low Vision Course. Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Alabama at Birmingham

Deacy, R. (2014, November 12). The Role of Occupational Therapy and Orientation & Mobility in Low Vision Rehabilitation. Low Vision Rehabilitation Course. School of Optometry, University of Alabama at Birmingham

Deacy, R. & Elgin, J. (2013, July 20). Training the bioptic driver: From the clinic to the road. Low Vision Rehabilitation Practice Update Conference. Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Bowman, E. & Deacy, R. (2013, November 21). Orientation & Mobility. Foundations in Low Vision Course. Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Cunningham, A. & Deacy, R. (2013, November 14). Diabetes Self-management. Foundations in Low Vision Course. Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Bowman, E. & Deacy, R. (2012, November 27). Orientation & Mobility. Foundations in Low Vision Course. Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Alabama at Birmingham.

## **Honors/Awards**

2013 Paul S. Worrell Endowed Scholarship Recipient, School of Optometry – Vision Science, University of Alabama at Birmingham; Birmingham, Alabama

## **Membership in Professional Associations**

American Occupational Therapy Association

Alabama Occupational Therapy Association

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