The National Eye Health Education Program (NEHEP) announced Dr. Janet Leasher, Associate Professor of optometry at Nova Southeastern University College of Optometry (NOVA), as its new Planning Committee member for 2015-2018. The Planning Committee, which advises the National Eye Institute on the overall development, implementation and evaluation of NEHEP activities, comprises experts in eye care and public health education.

Dr. Leasher has served as the Director of Community Outreach for the College of Optometry since 2003. She spearheads community health education and promotion projects in visual health. Her current teaching assignments in the Doctor of Optometry program include public health didactic courses and primary care, pediatric and binocular vision clinics. She is also a member of the faculty in the Master of Science Clinical Vision Research program and holds a faculty appointment within the Public Health program at the university's College of Osteopathic Medicine. Her research interests include program evaluation and global access to quality vision care.



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