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Global Frontiers in Eradicating Trachoma and Creating Sustainable Solutions

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Trachoma is an infectious disease which is one of the leading causes of blindness in the developing world. It is caused by Chlamydia Trachomatis and can be spread by both direct/indirect contact. It is a source of great pain and distress to individual sufferers, their families and communities. It can progress to causing irreversible blindness if left untreated. Here, we will explore some of the international strategies implemented to treat this condition; from early diagnosis to surgical efforts in communities most affected by this condition. In this presentation the speaker will talk about some of the latest evidence behind treatment protocols and mass treatment programs. Fostering high-quality hygiene efforts and education in communities most affected - seeking to end the vicious cycle of poverty the condition afflicts upon successive generations. The talk will conclude on building sustainable goals and hopes for the future in these disadvantaged communities.

Biography

Rasan Burhan is a junior doctor from the United Kingdom with an interest in Ophthalmology. He has a particular interest in Global Ophthalmology and Saving Sight. He is currently undertaking an accelerated course in medical education - alongside studies on major global causes of blindness and treatment initiatives.