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Dr. Chan is a global leader in pediatric blindness prevention and retinopathy of prematurity (ROP). His primary research interests focus on utilizing new technology and imaging techniques to better evaluate and manage children with retinal disease. He has authored over 250 peer reviewed articles and has received grant funding by the NIH, the NSF, and a number of charitable foundations. He is a core team member of the Imaging and Informatics for ROP (iROP) consortium and leads the Global Education Network for ROP (GEN-ROP), which is an international collaboration of investigators with expertise in neonatology, ophthalmology, biomedical informatics, international health, and medical education. Dr. Chan has also served as a consultant for programs sponsored by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), Orbis International, and Helen Keller International (HKI).

Dr. Chan is a leader in academic ophthalmology and organized medicine. He serves on the Board of Trustees for Prevent Blindness America, the Board of Trustees for the Society of Heed Fellows, the Board of Trustees for the Association of University Professors of Ophthalmology, the Executive Committee for the Pan-American Association of Ophthalmology (PAAO), and was a member of the Committee of Secretaries for the American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO), where he was the Secretary for Global Alliances.