

Introduction

During 2013-2014 SightLife India continued to work on multiple activities adopted in previous years. Indian Eye Banks as partners to become scalable, sustainable and high quality organizations that can help eliminate treatable cornea blindness in India through cornea transplantation. Being early years of operations it is important that we continue to establish operating activities and relations to ensure long term continuity. The activities achieved in 2013-2014 are as follows:

Key activities accomplished from April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014



Activity 1: Organized and hosted 2nd tissue evaluation workshop for Medical Directors at AIIMS, RP Center, Delhi. Meeting date August 29-30, 2013



Activity 2: Organized and hosted 1st tissue evaluation workshop for Senior Eye Bank Technicians at Dr. Shroff Charitable Eye Hospital Meeting held on September 1-2, 2013

Activity 3: Hired Cornea Distribution Coordinator, Robin Thomas to manage all day to day activities for EBAI-SightLife Cornea Distribution Program

Activity 4: Established Delhi Centralized Hospital Cornea Retrieval Project (DCHCRP) Phase II activities providing record 976 transplant tissues in 2013. The DCHCRP program continues to be a joint program between RP Center, AIIMS, New Delhi; Guru Nanak Eye Center, Govt of Delhi and Dr Shroff Charitable Eye Hospital.



Activity 5: Hosted Annual Managers Retreat for various eye bank managers and assistant managers. Provide skill transfer and knowledge expertise to eye bank staff for improved performance of partner eye banks.

Activity 6: Submitted to DDGO, Dr NK Agarwal, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, joint study report providing detailed review of NPCB 2008 Standards and Guidelines Report. The joint report will form basis for next guideline to be published by NPCB.

Recognition during 2013-14



Recognition to DCHCRP at NEB eye donation fortnight 2013 by Mrs. Sujaya Krishnan (NPCB)



DCHCRP Phase 1 completion