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DONATE EYES

Appeal

Pledge your eyes with the SEWA-ROSHNI Eye bank.

Your contributions will help provide sight to those lost in perpetual darkness.

Your support will help in SEWA-ROSHNI's commitment to restore sight.

Contact the SEWA-ROSHNI Eye Bank.

- *To register your name as donor.*
- *To call a team of doctors to collect the Donated eyes of a family member.*
- *For more information/to clear any doubts About eye donation contact.*

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**One Eye Donation can make
two people see.
Let's make "Eye Donation"
a family tradition**

Be a Sight Ambassador!

India has million corneally blind citizens. 60% of these are children . Only Thousands of pairs of eyes are donated each year. Corneally blind patients wait months and often years to receive a corneal transplant

YOU CAN CHANGE THAT!

Whether or not your eyes are donated will depend on how emphatically you communicate your desires to your near & dear ones.

Discuss your decisions to donate your eyes with your relatives and family doctor.

Record the telephone number of the Roshni Eye Bank and display it in a prominent place in your home.



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In the Event of Death

- 1) Close the eyes.
- 2) Cover the closed eyes with moist cotton or cubes of ice.
- 3) Raise the head with two pillows.
- 4) Switch off the fan. (Switch on the air conditioner, if possible)
- 5) Get the death certificate ready
- 6) Contact Roshni eye bank Immediately. Eye bank is open for 24 hours.

FACTS ABOUT EYE DONATION

- Everyone can be a donor irrespective of age, sex or blood group
- All religions support eye donation as a humanitarian gesture.
- Eye donation does not disfigure the face or interfere with funeral arrangements.
- After death, eyes should be donated as soon as possible. Eyes can be donated up to 6 hours after death.
- The deceased need not be shifted, as eye bank personnel come to the donor's home.
- General eye conditions such as cataracts, spectacle number or others do not make the eyes unsuitable for donation.
- Even donors with diabetes or blood pressure can donate their eyes.
- An eye bank is a non-profit organization recognized by the Government to surgically retrieve eyes, antiseptically preserve them, assess their suitability for transplantation and then distribute them to patients requiring cornea transplants
- Eye donation is free to the donor

More about Corneal Transplantation

What is the Cornea?

The cornea is the transparent dome-shaped front surface of the eye that allows rays of light to pass through and be focused on the retina. It is generally the cornea that is used for transplantation.

Who needs a Corneal Transplant?

Injuries, infections, inherited conditions or aging may cause clouding or distortion of the cornea, with resultant decreased or distorted vision. People with such reduced vision need a corneal transplant to improve vision.

What is Corneal Transplant?

During corneal transplantation surgery, the central portion of the diseased cornea is removed and replaced by a clear cornea donated by a deceased person. It is generally performed on an out-patient basis, with no overnight hospital stay. It is done under local or general anesthesia and may take 1 to 3 hours.

How are donor eyes obtained?

Donor eyes come from a recently deceased person and his family who made the humanitarian decision to donate eyes to aid in the restoration of sight. The donor eyes are placed in a special preservative solution that maintains the health of the donor cornea until the time of surgery.

How successful is Cornea Transplantation?

Corneal transplantation has the highest success rate of all organ transplants.

What about rejection of the transplant?

Corneas have a very low risk of rejection. If rejection occurs, it can be suppressed by timely medication. The signs and symptoms of rejection are redness, increased light sensitivity, decreased vision and pain.

Do Corneal Transplants guarantee sight to all blind people?

No. Transplants help when the loss of sight is solely due to corneal defect and the rest of the eye's mechanism is intact.