

MEMORORANDAM OF AGREEMENT

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Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) entered between Medical Research 1818 1825 Foundation and Shri Sathya Sai Medical College and Research Institute on 27th day of May 2019.

In recognition of the benefits of eye donation, Medical Research Foundation, (hereinafter referred to as the "Eye Bank") having its Hospital at New No.41 / Old No. 18, College Road, Chennai 600 006 and Shri Sathya Sai Medical College and Research Institute, (hereinafter referred to as the "Donor Hospital") having its Hospital at Tiruporur – Guduvanchery Main Road, Chengalpet Taluk, Kanchipuuram District enter into this MOA in order to Facilitate the procurement of Whole Eye Globe from the patients who are admitted to the Donor Hospital and willing to donate their eyes for the purpose of transplantation, research and medical education.

# Purpose:

This Memorandum of Agreement serves to identify the working relationship between parties named above. The purpose of this association is to assure that families at hospital are offered the opportunity to donate cornea, and that when such a donation is offered,

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Akila Ganesan Director - Administration it is responded to with compassion, professionalism and timelines by all parties involved. It also ensures that the cornea retrieved is treated with utmost medical attention to ensure safe corneas are transplanted to recipients. The mutual responsibilities and expectations of each party in the MOA are identified herein.

## Request for Donation:

The Donor Hospital agrees to depute one trained Eye Donation Counselor who will be full-Time employee. The Counselor would approach the relatives of the deceased patients and obtain their consent for eye donation in an unobtrusive and humane manner. Neither the Donor's family nor the Donor Hospital will incur any costs associated with the donation of eyes secured under this MOA

#### Consent:

The Eye Bank agrees to take documented approval from families of all donors at the Donor Hospital prior to the cornea excision stage. These records will be available to Donor Hospital upon request to the Eye Bank.

### Retrieval and sharing of corneas:

The Donor Hospital agrees to remove whole Eye Globe with the help of their PGs/Consultants and also collect 10 cc of Blood for Serological Examination at the Eye bank. The corneas will be shared with the Donor Hospital based on their requirement. The Eye bank agrees to replace the sterile container and Vacutainer on receipt of the harvested Eye ball from the Donor Hospital.

#### **Referral Services:**

The Eye bank agrees to provide assistance to Donor Hospital staff in relation to, eye donation Process, qualitative / Qualitative evaluation of a potential donor and obtaining authorization for donation, etc.

### Training and Technical Assistance:

The Eye Bank will provide the Donor Hospital training and technical assistance to aid in the development and implementation of the donation program on a periodic basis. Such training will be provided in accordance with guidelines and requests of the donor hospital. The Eye Bank will use its best efforts to respond to all requests for service or other technical assistance. The Eye Bank is available to help the donor hospital develop policy and procedures to implement the donation programme, and can provide other

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resource materials and references for films, brochures and other materials for public distribution.

## Compliance with NPCB Standards:

The Eye Bank commits to manage operations as per National Programme for Control of Blindness (NPCB) Standards and Guidelines provided. The Eye Bank will ensure it achieves accreditation as per guidelines provided by Eye Bank Association of India and NPCB.

## Costs Billing and Reimbursement:

The Donor family and Donor Hospital will incur no costs associated with the donation.

#### Effective dates:

This Memorandum of Agreement shall become effective upon signature of both parties and will remain in effect until terminated by 90 days advance written notice to either party. This MOA may be amended by written agreement of both parties.

The parties herewith will use their best efforts to settle amicably all disputes arising out of or in connection with this MOA.

This memorandum of Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with laws of India.

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, the parties hereto have made and entered this MOA on the 27th day of May, 2019.

For Shri Sathya sai Medical College RI For Medical Research Foundation (Eye Bank)

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Signature:

Witness:

Dr. Venkatesh,HOD Ophthalmology Dept.

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Witness:

Dr. Sukumaran Annamalai MD (Gen. Medicine) Medical Superintendent.