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Quote

A man without a purpose
is like a ship without a
rudder - Thomas Carlyle

Editorial

It was a proud moment for Aravind as the organization was the Diamond winner in the category of Direct Care Provider at the Health Value Awards ceremony sponsored by World Health Care Congress, the Validation Institute and the Health Rosetta Institute. More than 350 nominees competed under various categories and Aravind was indeed fortunate to come out as the topper.

Supported by Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Trust and through Public Health Foundation of India, a project is on at Aravind-Tirunelveli to develop a district-level model for capacity building at the government health system for effective management of DR. As part of this, awareness programme on diabetes and diabetic retinopathy was held for the government health workers.

Aravind model of training the mid-level ophthalmic personnel has been widely acclaimed and now this model is going beyond the scope of eye care. Inspired by this, a maternal and child health programme based in Aurangabad sent their staff to Aravind to know about the training programme and how this can be implemented in its setting.

News about these and many more feature in this issue.

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

Life Achievement Honour for Dr. R. Krishnadas

Aravind-Madurai, April 28-29



Dr. R. Krishnadas, Director-HR, Aravind Eye Care System was presented with the Life Achievement Honour at Pune Eyecon 2018 organised by National Institute of Ophthalmology. The award was presented in recognition of his commitment in the field of ophthalmology, patient care and research.



Health Value Award for Aravind

Washington, DC from April 29-May 2



HEALTH VALUE AWARD for ARAVIND EYE CARE SYSTEM





Aravind Eye Care System wins Health Value Award, a prestigious award given by the World Healthcare Congress for those who can set examples for the industry. Aravind was nominated for this award in the category of Direct Care Providers, showcasing the Vision Centre Model.

Donna Campbell, Executive Director, Aravind Eye Foundation received the award at the annual World Healthcare Congress held in Washington, DC from April 29-May 2, 2018.


ARAVIND EYE CARE SYSTEM



Best Video Award

Washington, DC, USA, April 13-17



Congratulations

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Dr. O. Annamalai
Medical Officer, Glaucoma Clinic,
Aravind-Pondicherry

BEST VIDEO AWARD

New Producer/Young Physician category

Title : Visual Experience during Cataract Surgery

Co-producers: Dr. Prasanth Gireesh, Dr. R. Venkatesh

ASCRS 2018 Film festival, Washington, DC, USA | April 13-17, 2018



NEWS AND EVENTS

Tour for Employees

Thottipalam, April 15



As a part of Employee welfare activity, 2nd year and 3rd year MLOP and admin staff were taken on a one day tour to Thirparappu Falls and Thottipalam on April 15.

First year employees were taken on a one day tour to Papanasam on Sunday, April 29, 2018.



Orientation programme on DR and DM Management

Aravind-Tirunelveli, 23 April 2018



As part of the Diabetic Retinopathy (DR) project supported by Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Trust (QEDJT), AravindTirunelveli organised an orientation programme to sensitize the Village Health Nurses, Mentoring Nurses, Ophthalmic Assistants and Pharmacists on the importance of monitoring Diabetes Mellitus and Diabetic Retinopathy. 105 participants attended. Dr. R Ramakrishnan, Chief Medical Officer, Aravind Eye Hospital, Tirunelveli gave the welcome address and briefed the QEDJT Project to the participants. IEC materials on DR were given to the participants. Dr. Abhishek, District Program Officer, (NCD), DDHS, Tirunelveli handled a session on Diabetes and Diabetes Management. Dr. Syed Mohideen, Retina Consultant, Aravind Eye Hospital, Tirunelveli handled a session on Diabetic Retinopathy and its management and the expected outcome of QEDJT-DR Project. A live demo on DR screening using fundus camera was given at the end of the session. Mr. Hariesh Kumar, Project Manager, AEH, Tirunelveli gave a presentation on data Sharing and facilitation by Aravind Eye Hospital to help the village health nurses and ophthalmic assistants to mobilize DM Patients and Cataract patients for DR screening in their respective blocks/centres.

Dr. Ramalakshmi, DPM, Tirunelveli and Dr. Abhishek, District Program Officer, (NCD) shared their views on utilizing the health workers to mobilize DM patients at the grass root level to make the project a successful one. Dr. Meenakshi, Deputy CMO, Aravind Eye Hospital, Tirunelveli, Dr. Harihara Subramanian, Ophthalmologist, TVMCH and Dr. Muthuraman from DDHS, Tirunelveli were present during the program.



Motivational Session for Ophthalmic Assistants

Aravind-Tirunelveli, May 10

A motivational session for MLOPs and Admin staff members was conducted by Brahma Kumaris. The session was so inspiring and encouraging.



17th Creche Day Celebrations

Aravind-Coimbatore, Friday, April 20



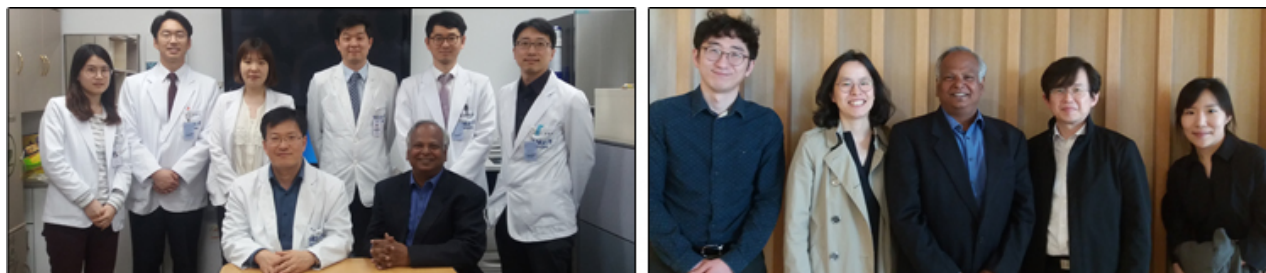
Dr.Kalpana Narendran, Senior Medical Officer, Aravind Eye Hospital, Coimbatore was the chief guest for the function. She felicitated the graduating kids with "Ready to School" certificate. She gave a small talk touching on how parents can be a role model to the children and the importance of spending quality time with them. Children gave energetic performance starting with prayer song and welcome dance. They childrens rocked the stage with dance, singing and fancy dress. The entire programme was anchored by them.



CONFERENCES ATTENDED ELSEWHERE

4th Asia-Pacific Glaucoma Congress (APGC)

Busan, South Korea, April 13-15



Dr.P.Sundaresan gave an invited talk on Current trends in molecular genetics of Primary Open Angle Glaucoma (POAG) and Primary Angle Closure Glaucoma (PACG). After the meeting, he visited Department of Ophthalmology, Seoul National University (SNU), Seoul where he delivered a talk on Genetics of Diabetic retinopathy and met Dr. Hyeong Gon Yu, Prof. Ki Ho Park and Dr. Sung Wook Park.

In addition, Dr.P.Sundaresan visited SNU Bundang Hospital and met Drs. Kyu Hyung Park, JeeyunAhn and Young joo Park. There he delivered a talk on Mitoscriptome Gene Expression Signature for Diabetic Retinopathy using cadaver Eyes.



Training of Trainers (TOT) Workshop

LAICO, April 30 to May 2



A special TOT workshop was conducted for the staff of Sri Radhika Seva Trust, Aurangabad, who have been working for the past 13 years on Maternal and Child Health. Hearing about Aravind's MLOP programme, they wanted to have a structured training for a new cadre MLMHCP – Mid Level Maternal Health and Child Programme. It was a small team of 4 members. Some of the senior MLOPs conducted a few sessions for them. The need for training, Marketing and recruiting personnel, Training administration and evaluation of the programme, the sustainability of the programme, on job training were some of the aspects that were shared with the participants. The workshop ended with group photo and distribution of certificates by Dr.Danrita.



LAICO HAPPENINGS

Consultancy Visits

Midnapur, West Bengal, April 29 - May 2, 2018.



Dr.Swati and Mr.Yesunesan made follow up visit to Rotary Eye Hospital, Midnapur, West Bengal from April 29 - May 2, 2018. The team also attended the Trustees meeting at Jharkhand Eye Bank Trust, Ranchi from May 3 to 5, 2018.



TRAINING PROGRAMMES

Enrolments for April 2018 at Aravind Eye Care System

Course title	Training Centre	Enrolments for April 2018
Long Term Fellowship Programs - For Ophthalmologists		
Fellowship in IOL & Anterior Segment	Coimbatore	1
	Chennai	1
Fellowship in Cornea	Madurai	2
Fellowship in General Ophthalmology	Madurai	1
Fellowship in Orbit & Oculoplasty	Madurai	1
Fellowship in Retina Vitreous	Chennai	1
Short Term Courses - For Ophthalmologists		

Clinical Observership Program In Diagnosis and Management Of Glaucoma	Coimbatore	1
	Tirunelveli	1
Lasers in Diabetic Retinopathy	Coimbatore	1
	Podicherry	1
	Madurai	2
Management of Retinopathy of Prematurity and Paediatric Retinal Disorders	Coimbatore	2
Phacoemulsification	Madurai	2
	Coimbatore	2
	Pondicherry	2
Small incision cataract surgery	Coimbatore	2
Paramedical courses		
Ocularist	Madurai	1
Non-Clinical - Instrument Maintenance Courses		
Instrument Maintenance - For Technicians	Madurai	3
Non-Clinical - Management Courses		
Management Training and Systems Development for Hospital Administrators / Managers	LAICO	14



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MONTHLY PATIENT STATISTICS

Statistics will be updated soon



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