Workshop

Service Delivery Models in Low Vision Care

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Hasan Minto is the Program Director of Child Eye Health and Low Vision at the Brien Holden Vision Institute. He works to promote inclusion of persons with vision impairment through establishment of services for optometry and low vision, and training of appropriate human resources. Hasan is a member of the World Council of Optometry Governing board as Eastern Mediterranean representative. He serves on various World Health Organisation and Vision 2020 working groups. Hasan lectures on low vision and refractive error at the International Centre for Eye Health within the London School of Tropical Hygiene and Medicine, the Pakistan Institute of Community Ophthalmology and the Pakistan Institute of Preventive Ophthalmology. He has been invited to present at various professional conferences and congresses around the world and in 2007, he received the 'Essilor Award for Outstanding International Contributions to Optometry'. He has conceptualized and developed low vision programs in more than 30 countries. He is a human rights activist; with a varied interest in books, international politics, music, and food.

Workshop outline

Traditionally, low vision care has been provided by different service providers' e.g. clinical care (optometric and ophthalmic), educational, psychologists, orthoptists, occupational therapists and others. The aim of the workshop is to familiarize participants with the various elements of low vision care and to provide essential knowledge for integration of low vision services at the different levels of service provision. This workshop will focus on the various low vision service delivery models and attempt to determine the commonalities. The minimum/essential generic and other requirements in terms of infrastructure and human resource needs will be identified and discussed. The session will also explore ways and means by which a low vision service delivery model

can be integrated into existing framework of services (i.e. health, education and rehabilitation).

Topic	Facilitator	Session	Duration
Introduction: Epidemiology of Low Vision - Defining the need	Hasan Minto	Presentation	10 min
Current Status of Low Vision Service- Coverage and Quality	Jill Keeffe	Presentation	10 min
Barriers to access	Sumrana Yasmin	Presentation	10 min
Human Resources for Low Vision	S May Ho	Presentation	10 min
Monitoring and Evaluations framework for Low Vision Programs	Jill Keeffe	Presentation	10 min
Essential Elements of Service Delivery	Jonathan Jackson	Presentation	10 min
How low vision services can be integrated within existing infrastructure	Hasan Minto/Jonathan Jackson	Facilitated Group Discussion and Conclusion	30 min