

COAVS

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NEWSLETTER

CONVOCATION EDITION



Superannuation ceremony of Prof. Dr. Suhail Sarwar, Diagnostic Ophthalmologist and former Principal COAVS.

Prof. Dr. A Jalil Daula graced the occasion as chief guest and Prof. Dr. Khalil Rana was the guest of honor.



Prof. Dr. Zahid Kamal Siddiqui

Principal, College of Ophthalmology & Allied Vision Sciences (COAVS)

Dean (Faculty of Ophthalmology) College of Physicians and Surgeons of Pakistan (CPSP)

Chairman, Institute of Ophthalmology, Mayo Hospital

Former Principal of Sahiwal Medical College

Welcome gesture of Founder Principal COAVS, Prof. Dr. Asad Aslam Khan, senior faculty of COAVS and Institute of Ophthalmology to new Principal Prof. Dr. Zahid Kamal Siddiqui on his joining COAVS, January 26, 2022.



Mr. Hammad Hassan Fareed has been promoted to BPS-17 this year and received employee of month award for his devotion to work, punctuality and commendable services. He has been working in college for more 15 years.



**College of Ophthalmology & Allied Vision Sciences (COAVS)
KEMU, Mayo Hospital Lahore**

1st COAVS CONVOCATION March 31, 2022

First convocation of College of Ophthalmology & Allied Vision Sciences (COAVS) was held under umbrella of King Edward Medical University (KEMU), Lahore. Sixty students who stood out in their academic performance were awarded with medals. Three distinguished Gold Medals, Asad Aslam Khan Gold Medal for Optometry, Suhail Sarwar Gold Medal for Ophthalmic Technology & Zahid Kamal Siddiqui Gold Medal for Orthoptics have been launched on the occasion to recognize professionals for highest achievements in these fields. Prof. Dr. Asad Aslam Khan, Chairman, National Committee for Eye Health, Pakistan, Vice Chancellor KEMU, Prof. Dr. Khalid Masood Gondal & Prof. Zahid Kamal Siddiqui, Principal COAVS & representatives from Specialized Healthcare & Medical Education, Punjab congratulated students, their parents and faculty of the college on their achievements and wished them to elevate their profession to climax of success in Pakistan and abroad.







ACTIVITIES OF THE COAVS DEPARTMENTS



Orientation session for newly inducted House Officers and postgraduate trainees on joining Ophthalmology Department



INGOs, CBM, Germany & Sightsavers Int. released grant of worth 104 million PKR to COAVS for state-of-the-art equipment, infrastructure and training items.



Acknowledgement gesture By Principal COAVS & theatre staff to Prof. Dr. Asad Aslam Khan for making high quality **Teaching Operating Microscope** available at the Institute of Ophthalmology, Mayo Hospital Lahore. Thanks to CBM for the generous donation.



Introductory visit of the COAVS building and staff in their offices by new Principal



Introductory session of the principle with Teaching faculty and Students of COAVS



Meeting to improve Screening/Therapy services for **Retinopathy of Prematurity**



FCPS Community Eye Health training module



Interviews conducted for the post of "**Project Officer PEEK Project at Layyah**" in collaboration with INGO CBM at COAVS. Mst. Saadia Cheema is a nice addition to COAVS team.



Orientation session for Newly joined students of 14 disciplines of allied health professionals by KEMU and COAVS.



Hospital Director, Mayo Hospital with Principal COAVS at the Institute of ophthalmology to deliberate and **determine perception of patients on medical services.**





Seerat-u-Nabi Conference with kind presence of Syed Habib Irfani, Member Council of Islamic Ideology and Vice Chancellor, King Edward Medical University



Inauguration of **Prayer Place and Daycare Center** by Syed Habib Irfani, Member Council of Islamic Ideology



Inauguration of play area in **Pediatric Ophthalmology**



Youme' Shahadat, Prof. Dr. S. Ali Haider



Shab-e-Me'raaj





Visit of VS. Prof. Zahid Kamal Siddiqui to discuss **parameters regarding OT maintenance** with Focal Person, Dr. Sana Aslam, on Infection Control & Surgeons, Dr. Ali Ayaz, Dr. Nasir Chaudhry & OT team



Farewell Ceremony of Dr. Humaira Hamid, Dr. Rashida Riaz, Mst. Maryam & Welcome to new Principal & Dr. Ali Zain



Isataqbal-e-Ramadan to guide students on how to maximize utilization of time with studies and duties.



Grand Round presentations for COAVS & Institute of Ophthalmology



Glaucoma Awareness Walk in Collaboration with OSP and Pakistan Glaucoma Association



Collaborative Education & Services



Visit of University of Engineering & Technology students (Architect Department) to Institute of ophthalmology and COAVS on **project of designing an eye care center**



Meeting with the Sightsavers Int. Country Office team on **Improved National System in Pakistan for Integrated action on Refractive Errors (INSPIRE)** and Cataract Surgery Projects



Consultative meeting by COAVS with Specialized Healthcare & Medical Education, Government of Punjab & In-charges from 16 RHCs of Multan & Sheikhpura on INSPIRE project in collaboration with Sightsavers



Meeting with team from **Center of Excellence in Molecular Biology (CEMB)** on stem cell research in ophthalmology



Brainstorming sessions on **COAVS's development projects** with CBM country office





Basic Life Support; Prof. Yaar Muhammad from Mayo hospital, Mst. Tehsina Akram and Mst. Noreen Fatima arranged training sessions for more than 270 students and 60 faculty members of COAVS. Vital initiative of lifesaving training was taken by Prof. Zahid Kamal Siddiqui.



Ophthalmology Orientation Sessions during postgraduate preparatory course in Neurology department, certificate in Family Medical Physician and other programs.



Team of three, Prof. Zahid Kamal Siddiqui, Dr. Arif Hussain, Tayyaba Burhan from COAVS presented their research papers in **Khyber Eyecon, Peshawar**. Prof. Zahid Kamal Siddiqui delivered a lecture on stem cell therapy in ophthalmic technology.



Community Programmes



Peek Community Eye Health Workshop for Lady Health Supervisor in Partnership with CBM in District Chakwal



Household Eye Screening LHWs Training for 338 LHWs under one roof. This the great achievement under COAVS Community department done in collaboration with CBM.



Training of Lady health Visitors of Tehsils Choa Saidanshah and Chakwal on primary eyecare & Peek screening tool in collaboration with CBM



"International Woman day" celebrated under National Sight Restoring Program (NSRP). Events organized by the COAVS, in collaboration with FHF in DG Khan, Mianwali and Khushab



COLLEGE OF OPHTHALMOLOGY AND ALLIED VISION SCIENCES, LAHORE,

(Formally Punjab Institute of Preventive Ophthalmology - PIPO)

Government of Punjab, Health Department established the Comprehensive Eye Care Cell (CEC Cell) at Mayo Hospital in 1999 which is now College of Ophthalmology and Allied Vision Sciences (COAVS). Since 1999, it is working for prevention of blindness and eye health in collaboration with INGOs & WHO.

The main activities and functions of COAVS can be divided into following categories:

- 1 Human Resource Development for Eye Care
- 2 District Comprehensive Eye Care Programme
- 3 Specific Eye Disease Control Projects
- 4 Continuous Medical Education in Ophthalmology
- 5 Awareness & Advocacy campaigns

To achieve the above objectives, COAVS has developed International Collaboration with following departments /partners for its activities:

Govt of Pakistan, Govt of Punjab, WHO, Sightsavers International UK, Fred Hollows Foundation Australia, CBM Germany, Lions club international, Standard Chartered Bank, Brien Holden Foundation (Australia), Vision 4 Children UK and Eyelearn UK



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