



UNITED SIGHT

Advancing the science of **sight** through ethical leadership and collaboration.

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Eye Banks *UNITED* in sight; working together with a shared vision of learning along with a desire to preserve and enhance eye banking in our local communities and around the world. In an environment of cooperation, we help reduce global blindness by promoting the free exchange of ideas and information.

HISTORY OF US

In the summer of 2005, a small group of independent eye banking professionals held a conference call to discuss various topics in the eye banking profession.

The call was planned for one hour. After two hours, the conversation had to be stopped even though the group could have continued on much longer. Several subsequent conference calls later, everyone agreed that it was time to start meeting in person.

Since that first phone call, United Sight has blossomed into a motivated partnership of individual eye banks sharing ocular tissue, group purchasing supplies, transferring skills and being a resource to one another for education and support.

The group has one golden rule: Openly share. If you come to a meeting or join a conference call, be prepared to be open and honest. No matter the size eye bank, everyone can teach one another, learn from one another and help each other grow.

At the core of United Sight is the combined vision of learning. This is the cohesive force that keeps the group strong. Sharing what each eye bank is doing to help others in need, in turn helps each member contribute more of themselves to providing the Gift of Sight.

Working cohesively as a group today ultimately benefits thousands of patients for years to come.

