

Humble request to elect me as Management Committee Member

Dr. Vanaja Vaithianathan

About Me

Rtn. Dr. Vanaja Vaithianathan,
M.B.B.S, D.O, DNB, FAICO, M.Ch (Ophthal)
Founder, Medical Director & Chief Ophthalmic Surgeon
Jothi Eye Care Centre, Founded in Feb. 1998
Secretary – Jothi Eye Care Foundation, Puducherry

Education

District & School First, State Rank Holder in Matric & Hr. Secondary.
M.B.B.S - Madras Medical College
D.O - RIOGOH, Chennai - Dr. Sathyavakesan's Gold Medal
D.N.B & Fellowship - Aravind Eye Hospital, Tirunelveli
M.CH - University of Seychelles
F.A.I.C.O (Phaco) - Fellow of All India Collegium of Ophthalmology

Experiences

Professional Experience

- Over 27+ years of Community & Clinical Eye Care
- 1 Million patients treated... 50% of services are free through camps
- Performed > 60,000 sight restoring surgeries & 30,000+ laser procedures (1/3 free/ grossly subsidized)
- Conducted 1300+ Eye Camps & Awareness Programmes
- Pioneered Advanced Corneal Lamellar Surgeries, first in Puducherry
- 1st in Puducherry to launch Toll-Free Eye Bank Helpline 1919

Academics & Professional Honors

- Gold Medalist in Ophthalmology – D.O.
- FAICO National Fellowship (2012)
- 150+ Academic Presentations, 4 Best Paper & JAM Awards
- 20 publications in State & National Ophthalmic Journals
- TNOA Journal Editorial Board Member -5 years (2005-'10)
- TNOA Journal Editorial Board Member - 1 year (2016-'17)
- Organizing Committee Member – Bonne Vue - 2006
- Organizing Secretary - Ponvizhi Mid-Year Meet - 2016
- Organizing Committee Member – Pudhu Vue '18
- Organizing Secretary – Cherry Con'25
- President - Pondicherry Ophthalmologists' Association (2023 until date)
- Secretary - Pondicherry Ophthalmologists' Association (2005-'08)

Awards

- Times of India Rising Star Award
- International Woman Achiever Award
- National Woman Empowerment Award – IMA WDW, Goa
- IMA State Lifetime Achievement Award
- 150+ Awards recognizing Leadership, Service & Women Empowerment
- 45 Rotary Awards during Presidentship - District Light Up Championship



Leadership Roles & Public Service

- Past President, Rotary Club of Pondicherry Eves – 500+ projects in a year (Record unbroken till date)
- 1st Woman Assistant Governor (AG) & Best AG of RID 2981 (2016–17)
- 1st Woman Strategic Committee Chair for Public Image
- National Member, IMA Standing Committee for Organ Donation
- Board Member, Sexual Harassment Committee – Pondicherry University (2014-'16)
- Past Chairwoman, CII – Indian Women Network

Social Impact

- 16 Vision Centers - 2.5 crores - Global Grant Project as District Chair
- COVID-19 frontline support & multiple projects
- Initiated 1st Private Eye Bank in Puducherry with Universal Toll Free No. 1919
- Launched Puducherry's first state-of-the-art Dry Eye Clinic
- Tree Plantations
- School Health Programmes
- Inspired many girls in most backward communities for education

Other Interests

- Women Empowerment, Yoga, Badminton, Drawing
- Attending Spiritual & Mind Power Classes & Reading Such Books

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