


Dear Friends,

We are moving towards new normal life with face mask, having physical meetings, conferences and get together with family and friends. Corona pandemic taught us to be connected via virtual mode if real meeting is not possible. I am pleased that Association of Indian Ophthalmic Anaesthesiologists, AIOA is organizing 2nd National Conference of Indian Ophthalmic Anaesthesiologists Conference at Aravind Eye Hospital, Madurai on 24th and 25th September 2022. All members are invited for this academic feast.

Ophthalmic anaesthesia contribution in the mission of VISION FOR ALL is immense. However, an anaesthesiologist should be aware that vision impairment could be due to many factors other than eye disease or eye injury. In this issue, a review on postoperative vision loss after non-ocular surgery will provide an insight on causes, management and precautions to avoid it. In each hospital, an audit is necessary to review the progress of existing policies and also to know the impact of new policies. A brief communication on clinical audit will give insight about aims, documentation as well as implementation of audits in a hospital.

Ophthalmic department in bigger institute has trained staff along with advance equipment and facilities. In contrast in remote places, it's a challenge to setup any facility. An anaesthesiologists perspective for an eye facility setup in remote area are highlighted in this issue. Regional blocks provide excellent anaesthesia for surgeries. Ultrasound has been extensively used to visualize nerves, vessels and surrounding structures for regional blocks. Ultrasound guided ophthalmic blocks, it's uses, future scope and limitations are mentioned in the issue. Eyelid surgeries can be performed with infiltration of local anaesthetics. This issue is providing tips to ensure a safe eyelid infiltration. Medicolegal cases are not new to all of us. Importance of proper pre-anaesthetic evaluation, documentation, communication and conduct of anaesthesia are discussed along with review of some court judgements.

With warm regards



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