INTRODUCTION

January 12, 1997- the day MOHAN Foundation started on its journey to give patients with organ failure a second lease of life. Organ donation and transplantation has made it possible for people with organ failure to look forward to a brighter tomorrow filled with hope and promise. But, it is up to us to help fulfill that promise by pledging our organs for donation. The majority of patients with organ failure are young and their only hope of living is to have an organ transplant, however, a shortage of donated organs dashes the hopes of many young people.

ABOUT MOHAN FOUNDATION

MOHAN is an acronym for Multi Organ Harvesting Aid Network and was established in 1997. It is a registered Not-for-Profit organization with income tax exemption under Section 80G and 35 AC. It is also entitled to receive foreign aid as per the FCRA Act. MOHAN FOUNDATION is the brainchild of a group of highly motivated, concerned and non-commercial group of practicing medical professionals and their well-meaning friends to promote the cause of “Organ Donation”.

It was formed to be a facilitator of the deceased organ donation and transplant programme in India and has advocated and facilitated various issues in this field. To achieve this objective, it works as a “Support Group for Patients, Physicians & Public”. The following have been the objectives of MOHAN Foundation –

- Creating public awareness among a cross section of population
- Motivating families of “brain dead patients to donate organs
- Training professionals (Transplant Coordinators) in facilitating organ donation
- Liaising with government to pass favorable legislation
- Networking with other organ procuring organizations in the country
- Raising resources to promote organ donation efficiently

EXPANSION OF MOHAN FOUNDATION

MOHAN Foundation’s offices were opened in various locations – Coimbatore, Visakhapatnam, Chandigarh and Delhi-NCR during this period.
ACTIVITIES

MOHAN Foundation comprises five core groups that carry out different activities of the foundation. These groups are:
1. Indian Network for Organ Sharing (INOS)
2. Public education campaign
3. Patient Support group
4. Publications - Indian Transplant Newsletter and Life...Pass it On newsletter.
5. Transplant Coordinators' Training Programme

1. INOS (INDIAN NETWORK FOR ORGAN SHARING)

“Let no organ be wasted” is the mission statement of INOS. The group was formed first in Tamil Nadu in January 2000 with Apollo Hospitals, Sri Ramachandra Hospital, Sundaram Medical Foundation, Madras Medical Mission Hospital (all from Chennai), Christian Medical College Hospital, Vellore. It successfully established the fact that organ sharing was the way forward for the deceased organ transplantation programme.

In Andhra Pradesh, the hospitals that have benefited from our work are Nizam’s Institute of Medical Sciences, Global Hospitals, Care Hospitals, Medwin Hospitals, Mediciti Hospitals, Kamineni Hospitals, Osmania Hospitals, Krishna Institute of Medical Sciences, Star Hospitals and Innova Hospitals.

The experience gained in INOS in setting up a web-based recipient waiting list registry has been shared with the government run Tamil Nadu Organ Sharing Network. MOHAN Foundation is on the Advisory Committee of the Cadaver Transplant Programme in the state.

2. PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

The Foundation regularly organizes awareness events to a cross section of population. Over 1 million donor cards have been distributed in English, Tamil, Telugu, Marathi and Hindi. The Foundation also has literature on organ donation and prevention of different diseases (almost numbering 100).

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