



Fundación Visión Fundación Visión Funda

**FUNDACIÓN VISIÓN**

The Fundación Visión is a nonprofit institution founded in 1999. The idea began to take shape in 1992 with the "Vision Program" under the initiative of Dr. Rainald Duerksen, and supported by the CBM, Germany. The increase in patient volume forced the Vision Program to seek independence.

**Vision:** To be an organization with high quality services for people to live a full and healthy life.

**Mission:** To develop, implement and sustain professional, high quality, and technologically advanced programs that are visionary and committed to health and education, and driven by Christian principles.

Fundación Visión today has four programs, which are sustainable by the sales of services and donations:

- "VISION Program"
- "DENTAL HEALTH Program"
- "SMILES Program"
- "HEARING PARAGUAY Program"

**VISION Program**

It is a group of highly trained professionals serving people suffering from any type of eye condition. Priority is given to those who have no access to eye care due to economic, social and geographical barriers. Services/attention are given at four Fundación Visión Clinics: Central Clinic, located in Fernando de la Mora, the Social Clinic, located in Asuncion, the Belen Clinic, located in Coronel Oviedo, and the City of the East Clinic, located in Ciudad del Este. Additionally, services are offered through the Mobile Clinic.

Surgical campaigns are held in different parts of the country.

Provision of services: Computerized Visual Field, Topography, Ocular Ultrasound, recounting of Endothelial Bonds and other such services. Courses are available to promote eye health in rural and urban areas. Special care is also given to people with diabetes. Special attention is given to premature babies, given that blindness may develop if not treated on time. Our team of professionals, properly trained to prevent this type of blindness, are readily available.

**DENTAL HEALTH Program**

The Dental Health Program began in 2009. This program works to serve low-income people in all specialties of dentistry.

**THE HEARING PARAGUAY Program**

The Hearing Paraguay Program (Otorhinolaryngology) joined Fundación Visión in 2004.

The main objective of this program is to help economically disadvantaged patients who cannot access public or private medical facilities to find a solution to their hearing impairment.

**SMILES Program**

The Smiles Program began in November 2001 with a cleft lip surgical campaign for low-income patients in a rural section of people, Campo 9.

Given the high perceived need, we opened a program to help children with cleft lip, which undoubtedly represents the majority of our patients. Our program also serves children and adults with lingering burn issues and clubfoot, among others.

**BANK CORNEAL PARAGUAY**

The Banco de Corneas Paraguay was established in 2011. The first transplant was performed on September 9 of the same year with donor corneas.

**ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT**

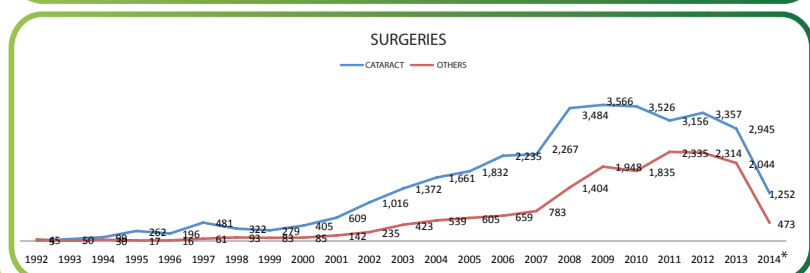
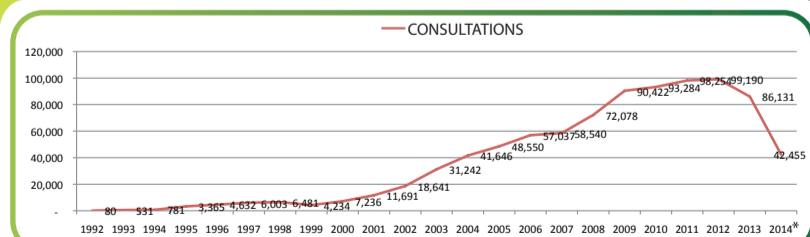
The Academic Department of the Fundación Visión began in 2011 under the direction of Dr. Paul Cibils. The Department aims to orient and train students (medical residents) in the problem solving of various eye issues within the community.

It is the only Ocular Resident program in Paraguay that is open to national and international students.



**CONSULTATION STATISTICS AND SURGERIES PROGRAMA VISION**

AÑO	CONSULTAS	AÑO	CIRUGIAS DE CATARATA	AÑO	OTRAS CIRUGIAS	TOTAL CIRUGIAS
1992	80	1992	5	1992	45	50
1993	531	1993	50	1993	-	50
1994	781	1994	99	1994	30	129
1995	3,365	1995	262	1995	17	279
1996	4,632	1996	196	1996	16	212
1997	6,003	1997	481	1997	61	542
1998	6,481	1998	322	1998	93	415
1999	4,234	1999	279	1999	83	362
2000	7,236	2000	405	2000	85	490
2001	11,691	2001	609	2001	142	751
2002	18,641	2002	1,016	2002	235	1,251
2003	31,242	2003	1,372	2003	423	1,795
2004	41,646	2004	1,661	2004	539	2,200
2005	48,550	2005	1,832	2005	605	2,437
2006	57,037	2006	2,235	2006	659	2,894
2007	58,540	2007	2,267	2007	783	3,050
2008	72,078	2008	3,484	2008	1,404	4,888
2009	90,422	2009	3,566	2009	1,948	5,514
2010	93,284	2010	3,526	2010	1,835	5,361
2011	98,254	2011	3,156	2011	2,335	5,491
2012	99,190	2012	3,357	2012	2,314	5,671
2013	86,131	2013	2,945	2013	2,044	4,989
2014*	42,455	2014*	1,252	2014*	473	1,725
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>882,504</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>34,377</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16,169</b>	<b>50,546</b>



\* January to July, 2014.