INTERNATIONAL PEDIATRIC
OPHTHALMOLOGY AND
STRAISMUS COUNCIL

MISSION:
To work together to preserve and restore eye health and enhance visual function in children, and ocular alignment and binocularity in children and adults throughout the world.

GOALS:
+ Promote programs and research to reduce childhood blindness, treat vision impairment in children, and improve ocular alignment in children and adults
+ Encourage the development of institutions and trained practitioners to achieve the mission
+ Assist educational efforts to fulfill the mission through improved education of practitioners and the public
+ Provide effective communications between national and supra-national societies to achieve the mission
+ Facilitate collaboration with international foundations and non-governmental organizations to promote and enhance eye care

MEMBER SOCIETIES:
+ A national society for pediatric ophthalmology, strabismus, ophthalmic genetics, or a combination of these
+ A supra-national society
+ Representing more than one country for the same purposes
+ An orthoptic association

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:
+ Developed a Code of Ethics
+ Joined IAPB and ICO as a member organization
+ Formed a partnership with ORBIS for a joint Cybersight e-consultation program
+ Have upcoming joint symposia with the ISO in Hong Kong 09/14, the 30th Asia-Pacific Academy of Ophthalmology Meeting 04/15, and the Israeli Society for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus in November 2015
+ Attending the IAPB Council of members in September 2014 and IAPB General Assembly in 2016
+ Attended the WOC and representing IPOSC at the USAID meeting in Tokyo in 2014
+ Working on a list of fellowships and observerships worldwide to be published on the website when it goes live this summer
+ Establishing minimum curricula for pediatric ophthalmology fellowships
+ Establishing formal guidelines for ROP screening in every country
+ Promoting early surgery for strabismus
+ Advancing care for ophthalmia neonatorum prevention
+ Reaching out to NGOs and other sources of funding to make IPOSC self-sustaining
+ Building a website and calendar of meetings worldwide