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Midwest Eye-Banks appoints McCoy as Vice President, Clinical Operations

ANN ARBOR, Michigan – Midwest Eye-Banks has announced that Kristen McCoy, CEBT, formerly Technical Director for the Illinois Eye-Bank in Chicago, has been promoted to the new position of Vice President, Clinical Operations.

McCoy has been a member of Midwest Eye-Banks' staff since 1996, first holding the position of Laboratory Technician at the Illinois Eye-Bank, and later becoming the Eye-Bank's Laboratory Manager. She was appointed Technical Director in 2008, when she also assumed responsibility for corporate training.

The Vice President, Clinical Operations oversees clinical functions throughout Midwest Eye-Banks' operations in Illinois, Michigan and New Jersey. McCoy explains that her experience as both Laboratory Manager and Technical Director has prepared her for this expanded corporate role.

"I will be working toward building a strong team of managers across divisions, growing and coaching individuals into leadership roles," she says. "We will establish specific clinical goals for these managers to attain. Uniformity, clinical training and continuing education are critical in bringing the clinical functions together to work as one corporate team."

According to McCoy, her strong working relationship with state organ procurement agencies, including collaboration on donation and education issues, will also be helpful in her new position.

McCoy holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from the University of Dayton, Ohio. She has also been an EBAA Certified Eye Bank Technician (CEBT) for more than 12 years.

Midwest Eye-Banks, based in Ann Arbor, Michigan, is a charitable, not-for-profit organization dedicated to the restoration of sight. It recovers, evaluates, and distributes human eye tissue for transplantation. It also supports research into the causes and cures of blinding eye conditions, promotes donation awareness through public and professional education, and provides humanitarian aid to people in need of corneal transplantation throughout the world. For more information, visit the Midwest Eye-Banks online at www.midwesteyebanks.org or call (800) 247-7250.