



**Editorial:** This edition of the International Journal of Eye Banking is dedicated to the provision of the latest version of the EBAA Medical Standards with additional contributions to the history and purpose of the Standards from three of the former Medical Advisory Board Chairmen. It is provided for its relevance to the current practice of eye banking among the members of the EBAA but also in recognition that non-members and even those in other locations around the globe use these Standards as a benchmark for quality eye bank policies and procedures.

In a further commitment to safety and quality in eye banking the EBAA instituted an accreditation process to assist those in the eye banking community with measuring and assuring their adherence to the Medical Standards. Becoming accredited and maintaining an accredited status became and continues to be an important distinction by which eye banks assert their commitment to the highest levels of eye banking professionalism and is a way in which others may easily recognize this level of concern for the safe, quality provision of ocular tissue.

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