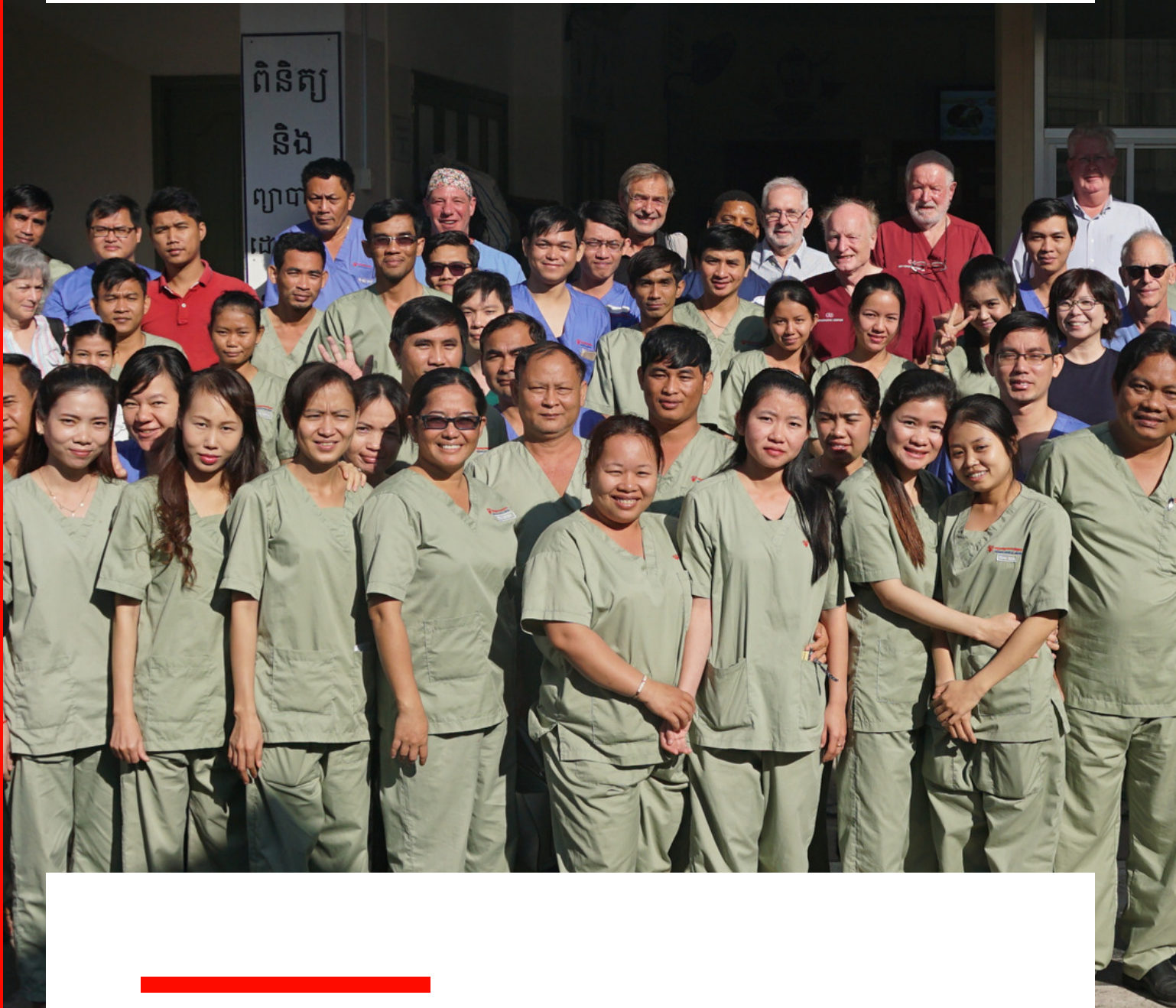


# Children's Surgical Centre



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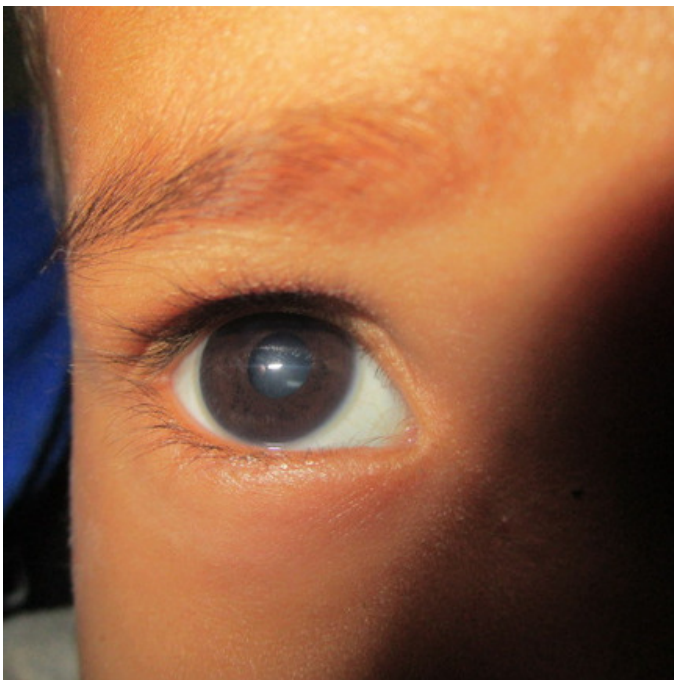
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# MEET RAVUTH



Here, you can see the cataract in his right eye

Ples Ravuth, 2, has a congenital cataract in his right eye. He has had blurred vision and a clouded lens in his eye since birth. He lives with his grandmother who takes care of him, his father who is a rice farmer, and his mother who works at a garment factory. His mother and grandmother traveled for two hours to come to CSC from the Prey Veng Province in Cambodia. They were unable to afford surgery for Ravuth to remove the cataract and improve his vision.

# RAVUTH

Ravuth's family is concerned that his diminished vision is affecting his quality of life and that he will not be able to lead a normal life. He has difficulty seeing and his parents worry that this will affect his education as he gets older.



**"I worry that my son cannot see out of his right eye and that he will not be able to study like other children."**

**-Ravuth's mother**

# RAVUTH

Ravuth's family first heard about the Children's Surgical Centre through a fellow villager. CSC provides surgery completely free-of-charge for poor Cambodians. **Vision Beyond AUS** was generous enough to provide the funds to make this surgery possible.

Ravuth's family arrived to CSC in February and he was able to undergo a cataract surgery. A phacoemulsification surgery, which is a type of cataract removal procedure, was successfully performed on Ravuth this year.

Now, Ravuth has returned home and because his visual acuity has improved, his quality of life will also improve. His parents are relieved that they do not need to worry about his vision anymore. He will be able to enjoy the normal life of a two-year-old with good eyesight and be able to play with his friends again.



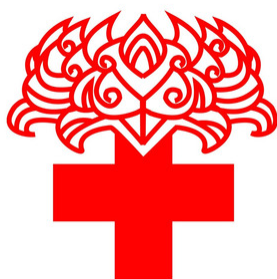
Here, we can see Ravuth's eye post-operation. It was a successful surgery and his eye is healing nicely. His mother said he already has clearer vision.



We are very grateful to **Vision Beyond AUS** for your continued support of cataract surgeries at CSC. Your contributions improve peoples lives everyday.



CSC has been providing disabled Cambodians with rehabilitative surgery since 1998. In 2017, CSC provided more than 25,000 consultations and 4,018 life-changing and life-saving surgeries – completely free of charge.



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