

2011-2012 Executive Staff



Kevin W. Ross

President and Chief Executive Officer

Kevin has worked with the Eye-Bank since 1990. He developed software to track donors and recipients of corneal tissue, and to support all Eye-Bank staff responsibilities. As Vice President, Finance and Information Systems, Kevin led the implementation of a \$2.5 million tax-exempt bond issue to finance the Eye-Bank's Ann Arbor headquarters and Michigan Eye-Bank lab facility. In November, 2007, Kevin was named Midwest Eye-Banks' President and Chief Executive Officer. He holds Master's degrees in Computer Science and Public Health from the University of Michigan, and serves as a member of the Ann Arbor (Host) Lions Club and the Michigan Alumni Pep Band. Kevin and his wife, Suzanne, live in Ann Arbor.



Charles Pivoney

Chief Operating Officer

Charles provides leadership and direction for Midwest Eye-Banks' clinical and community programs, both corporately and at each of its subsidiaries. He began his career in eye banking more than 25 years ago as a technical coordinator for the Illinois Eye-Bank, and was later appointed Laboratory Supervisor and Administrator. He serves on the Advisory Council for Gift of Hope Organ & Tissue Donor Network, is a charter member of Donate Life Illinois, and has been a member of the Illinois Secretary of State Organ & Tissue Donor Advisory Council and Illinois Department of Health Task Force on Transplantation. He holds a Master's degree in Business Administration from Keller Graduate School of Management, Chicago; and holds a Bachelor's degree in Biology from Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago. He has served on the Board of the Eye Bank Association of America (EBAA), as well as numerous EBAA committees, and was first certified as an eye bank technician in 1984. Chuck is a certified youth sports coach and member of the Tinley Park Lions Club.

Julie Collins

Chief Financial Officer

Julie Collins has been with Midwest Eye-Banks since 2007, when she was hired as Finance Director. She was appointed Chief Financial Officer in 2011. Julie holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Eastern Michigan University, where she majored in accounting. Before coming to the Eye-Bank, she spent 24 years at Comerica Banks, where she held a variety of accounting and finance-related positions.



Brad Tennant

Senior Vice President & International Program Director

Brad graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Biology from Olivet College in 1983. He joined the Michigan Eye-Bank as an Eye Bank Technician in 1987. Later that year, he attained his Eye Bank Association of America Certified Eye Bank Technician (CEBT) certification and has been a CEBT ever since. Brad was promoted to Vice President, Clinical Operations for Midwest Eye-Banks in 1999. In that role, he was responsible for ensuring that all of Midwest Eye-Banks' clinical laboratories operate in full compliance with Midwest Clinical Policies & Procedures, FDA Good Tissue Practice Rules & Regulations and other applicable State laws. Brad was named Senior Vice President in 2009. He is a volunteer member of the Eye Bank Association of America's Medical Advisory Board and Accreditation Board, and currently serves as the Co-Chair of the Medical Review Subcommittee.



Kristen McCoy

Vice President, Clinical Operations

Kristen has been a member of the Eye-Bank's 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 assumed the responsibility for corporate training, and in 2009, she was promoted to Midwest Eye-Banks' Vice President, Clinical Operations. Kristen holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Dayton. She is an Eye Bank Association of America Certified Eye Bank Technician (CEBT).



Diane Hollingsworth

Executive Director, Illinois Eye-Bank

Diane has been with the Eye-Bank since August 2010, after eight years at the National Kidney Foundation of Illinois, where she served as Director of Medical Education. She also spent 20 years in senior sales and marketing management positions at IBM, Siemens & Rockwell. She has a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Western Michigan University. Diane is an active volunteer for the National Kidney Foundation of Illinois and a member of the Naperville Noon Lions Club.



Margaret Chaplin

Executive Director, Lions Eye Bank of New Jersey

Margaret Chaplin joined Midwest Eye-Banks in 2007, when she appointed Executive Director of the Lions Eye Bank of New Jersey. Prior to that, she spent 13 years with the St. Christopher's Hospital for Children in Philadelphia, including seven years as Administrative Director, Professional Services. She has a Master's degree in Health Services Administration from George Washington University, and has worked in the health care industry for more than 20 years. Margaret is a member of the Summit Lions Club.



Lisa Langley

Executive Director, Michigan Eye-Bank

Lisa has been with the Eye-Bank since 1989, when she started as a Certified Eye Bank Technician. Her role eventually grew into Public and Professional Education Coordinator, then Community Engagement Manager. In 2009, she was named Administrative Director of the Michigan Eye-Bank and was appointed Executive Director in 2010. Lisa, a registered nurse, holds a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Wayne State University, where she is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Public Administration. Lisa served as President of the Ann Arbor Host Lions Club from July, 2008 through June, 2010.



Cathy McClory

Director, Regulatory Compliance and Clinical Quality Systems

Cathy has been with Midwest Eye-Banks since 1987, when she was hired as a Nurse Technician Coordinator. She later worked in public and professional education, and served as Laboratory Manager. When new FDA regulations necessitated the development of new manuals and training procedures, Cathy was actively involved in their creation. From there, she transitioned into the Eye-Bank's developing Quality Assurance Department, eventually taking on the role of Clinical Quality Manager, and in 2011, she was promoted to Director, Regulatory Compliance and Clinical Quality Systems.

Michael O'Keefe

Executive Director, Midwire

Michael O'Keefe has been with Midwest Eye-Banks since 1994, when he was hired as a Laboratory Technician, and he later became the Eye-Bank's Laboratory Manager. He was appointed Technical Director in 2002, and expanded his role in 2007, when he gained the additional responsibilities of Midwire Program Manager. He was promoted to Executive Director, Midwire in 2009. Prior to his career at the Eye-Bank, Michael was a licensed paramedic and Electrophysiology Technician. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Michigan, where he also received his Master's degree in Business Administration. He is currently pursuing his private pilot's license.