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Lotfi B. Merabet, OD PhD MPH ~ Lotfi Merabet is an optometrist-scientist and a member of the research faculty in the Vision Rehabilitation Service at Massachusetts Eye and Ear. He is active in research relating to individuals' adaptations to loss of sight and profound blindness. Dr. Merabet's main research interests include the development of assistive technology and much of this work is done in local collaboration with the Carroll Center and Perkins School for the Blind as well as internationally with the Universities of Chile and Milan.

Linda Lawrence, MD ~ Linda Lawrence, MD established in 1986 a solo, private practice in comprehensive ophthalmology with pediatric emphasis in Salina, Kansas, USA. Since 1992, she has performed functional vision assessment in the early intervention, Part C program, at Salina Regional Health Center, Kansas, and has documented the high rate of undiagnosed ocular pathology in infants and toddlers with developmental disabilities, and advocated for earlier detection and interventions. She performs outreach services with the Kansas State School for the Blind and is a volunteer consultant for Centro Ann Sullivan del Peru (CASP) in Lima, Peru.

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