Prevention of avoidable blindness and visual impairment

Report by the Secretariat

CORRIGENDUM

1. Please note that the first sentence of paragraph 2 of the report should read:

“The causes and magnitude of blindness and visual impairment need to be determined before appropriate strategies can be developed and international alliances for the prevention of blindness established.”

2. In paragraph 3 of the report and paragraph 1 of the draft action plan, please insert “corneal opacities (4%),” in front of “diabetic retinopathy”.

3. In paragraph 6, the last two sentences should read:

“Strong international partnerships have been instrumental in convincing international and domestic donors\(^1\) to support activities on the prevention of blindness. Achievements have been made, but substantial shortfalls in the resources available for promoting national agendas for eye health and prevention of blindness have been identified.”

4. The time frame referred to in paragraph 11 of the draft action plan should read “the remaining five years”.

\(^1\) For instance, the African Programme for Onchocerciasis Control, the Onchocerciasis Elimination Program for the Americas, the WHO Alliance for the Global Elimination of Blinding Trachoma and VISION 2020: the Right to Sight.