2007 Research Days Abstract Form – Department of Ophthalmology – UNIFESP/EPM 2. SCIENTIFIC SECTION PREFERENCE (REQUIRED): CA 1. Francisco seixas Soares Must be author listed first in body of abstract ()R1 ()R2 ()R3 (x)PG0 ()PG1 ()Estagiário ()Tecnólogo ()PIBIC 3. PRESENTATION PREFERENCE (REQUIRED) Check one (1) (a) Paper (b) Poster Francisco First Name Seixas Middle Soares Last Name Cataract Service (sector) 0095/04 Nº CEP (Comitê de Ética em Pesquisa da Universidade Federal de São Paulo-UNIFESP) The signature of the First (Presenting) Author, (REQUIRED) acting as the authorized agent for all authors, hereby contifient contribution of an extension of the sink and the "UNIFESP Ethical Committee" 5. ABSTRACT (REQUIRED) PREVALENCE AND OUTCOMES OF CATARACT SURGERY IN BRAZIL: THE SÃO PAULO EYE STUDY Francisco S. Soares, Rafael W. Cinoto, Adriana Berezovsky, Arnaud Araújo -Filh Márcia R.K.H. Mitsuhiro, Sung E. S. Watanabe, Alisson V. Carvalho, Rubens Belfort Jr., Solange R. Salomão Signature of First -Filho Purpose: To investigate the prevalence and visual acuity (VA) outcomes of cataract surgery Scientific Section Descriptions (CR) OBBIT (PL) OCULAR PLASTIC SURGERY (RE) EFTIMA AND VITRECUS, INSEES (PL) OCULAR PLASTIC SURGERY (PL) OTUBICS (PL) Scientific Section Descriptions in a low-middle income population in São Paulo, Brazil. Methods: Clust er sampling based on geographically -defined census sectors was used in Methods: Clust er sampling based on geographically -defined census sectors was used in randomly selecting individuals 550 versar of age for visual acuity measurement, refraction, and slit-lamp examination during 2004 -2005. Cataract patients were queried as to the year and place of surgery. The surgical procedure any evidence of surgical complications were recorded during the examination. The principal cause of vision impairment was identified for eyes presenting with VA <20/40. eyes presenting wint VA < 20/40. **Results:** A total of 4224 eligible persons were enumerated and 3678 (87.1%) were examined. The prevalence of cataract surgery was 6.28% (95% confidence interval [CI]: 5.29%-7.27%). Cataract surgery increased dramatically with a 1999 government initiative that improved access to subsidized surgery. Surgical coverage among those with presenting visual impairment or blindness < 20/63 in both eyes because of cataract was 61.4%. Age and no formal schooling were associated with un -operated impairment/blindness. Among 352 cataract-operated eves, 41.2% presented vith VA > 20/40, 28.1% with VA < 20/40 to 20/63, 14.2% with VA < 20/63 to 20/200, and 16.5% with VA < 20/200. With best-correction, the corresponding percentages were 61.9%, 17.6%, 8.2%, and 12.2%. Intra-ocular lenses were in 90.6% of cataract -operated eves, and half of these had phakoemulsification. Next to refractive error, retinal dis orders were the main cause of vision impairment/blindness in porerated eves. With logistic regression, phakoemulsification was associated with presenting VA ?20/63; age, gender, formal schooling, time or place of surgery were not significant. With best corrected vision, only formal schooling was significant. Deadline: 29/10/2007 FORMAT: Abstract should contain: Title, Name of Authors, Name of other authors (maximum 6), Purpose, Methods, Result Conclusions. Example: ARVO (1.10 x 1.70) Abstract Book Conclusions: The volume of cataract surgery has increased in low -middle income areas of São Paulo, but many remain visually impaired/blind because of cataract. Refractive error and other causes of vi sual impairment amenable to treatment are common in cataract operated eves. Greater emphasis on the quality of visual acuity outcomes along with sustained government subsidy to provide access to affordable modern cataract surgery are needed. s,