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## **CareWell Charitable Society**®

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### **CareWell partners with 'The Reger Fund' and 'We Help Them' Inc. USA for vision and hearing screening and treatment among school children from poor families in urban slums.**

**Phoenix, USA & Patna, India; November 13, 2007:** CareWell Charitable Society, a Patna, India based non-profit, has announced it has received a grant from the U.S. based Reger Fund and 'We Help Them' Inc. The funding will be used to conduct needed hearing and vision tests along with follow-up treatment for school children living in Patna. According to Meena Prasad, President of the CareWell Charitable Society, "The funding will help test and treat school children with vision and hearing problems and thus improve their school performance. Often, children from poor families who don't perform well in school are withdrawn and put into meager jobs. It is our hope, this project will help children perform better in school due to vision and hearing treatments, and enable them to make better futures for themselves. We also wish to express our deepest gratitude to The Reger Fund for their generosity which will help many children in need." Currently, no such hearing or vision improvement programs exist in Patna, India. Additionally, there is a high prevalence of hearing and vision problems in children due to malnutrition, poor sanitation and lack of medical care. The project will begin in a few weeks and is expected to help many children from urban slums.

**About CareWell:** Founded in 2002, CareWell Charitable Society is a not-for-profit, non government community-based organization registered with the Government of India. Our mission is to provide comprehensive rehabilitation, financial empowerment and integrated healthcare to the millions of people living a life of poverty and despair in the urban slums of India. CareWell is dedicated to provide all medical services and education support services for free regardless of race, color, creed, origin or religion. All services are free and no one is denied service because of inability to pay. For more information about CareWell visit [www.carewell.org](http://www.carewell.org).

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