

Trishna and Krishna's journey

Date	Event
22.12.2006	Trishna and Krishna born via caesarean section and were handed into the care of an orphanage in Dhaka.
2006-2007	<p>Danielle Noble and Natalie Silcock, Australian Youth Ambassadors for Development, were volunteering at the orphanage and became aware of Trishna and Krishna's plight. They identified that the twins required overseas assessment and treatment if they were to survive.</p> <p>They contacted Westmead Children's Hospital in Sydney and commenced fundraising towards travel to Australia and initial assessment. At this time they made contact with Atom Rahman, an Australian-Bangladeshi and representative of Children First Foundation.</p>
12.09.2007	Atom Rahman, Danielle Noble and Natalie Silcock first alerted the Foundation to the plight of the twins. Through discussions, it was agreed Children First Foundation was best positioned to assist with accommodation / care, legal guardianship and that CFF would approach RCH to undertake medical assessment of the twins at RCH, Melbourne.
17.09.2007	Accepted by RCH for MRI and intensive medical assessment and possible surgery.
15.11.2007	Arrived in Melbourne escorted by Moira Kelly AO and Atom Rahman, who were appointed as joint guardians of the twins. Near death, they are taken to the RCH Emergency and are admitted.
Nov-Dec 2007	Series of assessments conducted
7.01.2008	First procedure performed at Royal Melbourne Hospital by A/Professor PJ Mitchell Director NeuroIntervention Service, Department of Radiology at the RMH.
13.02.2008	Second operation to separate shared blood vessels
23.03.2008	Third operation separates further blood vessels
6.05.2008	Further blood vessels are separated in a fourth operation
3.10.2008	In a marathon 20 hour operation almost all the remaining blood vessels are separated
21.11.2008	To prepare for separation, tissue expanders are place in the twins heads to grow new tissue that will cover each of their heads
January 2009	Tissue expanders removed and twins in ICU due to serious, life-threatening infection.
August 2009	Tissue expander process re-commenced.
August – November	The girls visit RCH regularly to for fluids into the tissue expanders
November 2009	Separation surgery to be conducted by a team of neuro and plastic surgeons at RCH.