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**WHO DO I CONTACT TO HAVE
MY CHILD PARTICIPATE IN
THIS FREE VISION
SCREENING PROGRAM?**

If you are not aware of a screening
already scheduled in your area, contact
your local Lions Club, or the Iowa
KidSight office:

Iowa KidSight

Department of Ophthalmology
and Visual Sciences
University of Iowa Stead Family
Children's Hospital
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Coralville, IA 52241
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Or visit us at: www.IowaKidSight.org



VISION SCREENING WILL BE
CONDUCTED AT:

ON:

PARENTS MUST COMPLETE A
CONSENT FORM PRIOR TO A
SCREENING BEING CONDUCTED.

VISION SCREENING

IOWA KIDSIGHT

FREE VISION SCREENING
FOR YOUNG CHILDREN



A JOINT PROJECT OF
THE LIONS CLUBS OF IOWA
AND THE DEPARTMENT OF
OPHTHALMOLOGY AND
VISUAL SCIENCES AT
THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA
STEAD FAMILY
CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.



WHAT IS IOWA KIDSIGHT?

IOWA KIDSIGHT is a vision-screening program where Lions Club volunteers throughout Iowa organize and conduct vision-screening sessions in local communities. The results are interpreted by trained staff at the University of Iowa Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, and returned to families. This voluntary program is open to any child 6-months of age through kindergarten.

WHY SHOULD MY CHILD'S VISION BE SCREENED?

The first few years of a child's life are critical in the development of good vision.

A child's vision should be checked yearly for conditions such as: misaligned eyes, cataracts, and problems that need correction with eyeglasses.

These problems are not always evident. Each day that eye problems go undetected and untreated, a child's vision may deteriorate to the point of irreversibility. The earlier these conditions are detected, the more easily and successfully they can be treated.



HOW MUCH DOES THE SCREENING COST?

The screening is **FREE** for Iowa children, thanks to support and volunteer efforts of Iowa Lions Clubs and Program sponsors.

HOW IS VISION SCREENING DONE?

It is as simple as having your child's picture taken. Local Lions Club volunteers are trained to use a special device which takes an image of your child's eyes.

MY CHILD ALREADY HAD A VISION SCREENING. SHOULD MY CHILD BE RE-SCREENED?

Yes, some vision problems begin as a child grows older. Children's vision should be checked regularly.

WHAT HAPPENS IF A POSSIBLE PROBLEM IS DETECTED IN MY CHILD'S VISION?

The results of your child's vision screening are evaluated by specialists in the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences at the University of Iowa Stead Family Children's Hospital. You will receive the results approximately two to four weeks after the screening. If a possible vision problem is detected, you will also be given a letter of referral for your child and a list of ophthalmologists and optometrists in your local area.

WILL INSURANCE OR MEDICAID COVER FOLLOW-UP EXAMS IF MY CHILD IS REFERRED?

Individual health insurance or Medicaid should cover most exams; however, plans vary. You should contact your child's care provider or your insurance company for more information.

An Iowa KidSight screening satisfies the vision-screening requirement for children entering kindergarten in Iowa.