

# Guidelines for vision screening as we live with COVID-19



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## CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)

Know these guidelines, follow these guidelines.

Wear a mask. Social distance. Wash your hands often. Don't touch your face.

Review all of the facts about Coronavirus at this website: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.

## Screening Sites

The rules at our screening sites apply to us too.

Screening activities going forward will greatly be determined by the rules at the sites where we extend screenings.

Sites where we typically screen, e.g., daycares, preschools, elementary schools, may or may not be allowing visitors.\*

Circumstances may vary from site-to-site, and from day-to-day, throughout our Iowa communities.

Guidelines for childcare programs and schools can be found on the Iowa Department of Public Health website:

<https://idph.iowa.gov/Emerging-Health-Issues/Novel-Coronavirus/Guidance>.

## Iowa KidSight-Specific

We must remain flexible and accept change.

Circumstances may rapidly change, right down to the minute that a screening session was scheduled to begin.

Limit screening teams to no more than two people.

School personnel should escort children. No physical contact (this includes high fives/elbow bumps, etc.).

Stickers for the children may resume, however, supplying them to school personnel for distribution is recommended.

Wear a mask at all times (non-negotiable). Face shields encouraged.

\*Screening Cover Sheets have been updated to include a line for the person's name who invited you or approved you to conduct vision screenings at their site. Current forms are available on the website: [www.iowaKidSight.org](http://www.iowaKidSight.org).

Stay informed through the website: [www.iowaKidSight.org](http://www.iowaKidSight.org).

## You

### Iowa KidSight Screeners

If you have **any** symptoms of being ill, reschedule screening sessions for another time. No coughs (non-negotiable).

If you are not comfortable extending vision screenings, don't.

If you are in a high-risk category for COVID and typically do the vision screening on behalf of your Lions Club, ask for help at this time, either within your Lions Club, or with a new recruit, or with a neighboring Lions Club, or contact the Iowa KidSight office: [KidSight@uiowa.edu](mailto:KidSight@uiowa.edu) or 319-353-7616. Vision screenings may have to be postponed for a while longer in some circumstances.

**Thank you** for doing your part to help curb the spread,  
while keeping yourself and others safe, while we work to carry out our mission!