



Section VIII: Vision

MPR I

The local health department shall make available vision screening for preschool children between the ages of three and five years.

Reference: Michigan Administrative Code, R 325.13094 (1).

Indicator I.1

There is a system in place to schedule children between the ages of 3 and 5 years for vision screening upon request.

This indicator may be met by:

The local health department maintains on file:

- A written policy or program plan articulating procedures for vision screening children between the ages of 3 and 5 years.

Documentation Required:

See above.

Evaluation Question:

None

Indicator I.2

Documentation of vision screening is on file for children between the ages of 3 and 5 years.

This indicator may be met by:

The local health department maintains on file:

- Individual child screening forms and an appointment book or agency calendar for the past year showing preschool children who were scheduled and received vision screening services.
- A list of names of preschool children who were referred to eye care practitioners.
- Copies of local health department quarterly batch sheets (Form DCH-0604) indicating the number of preschool children screened, passed, failed, referred and receiving care since the last accreditation site visit.
- A list of Head Start and child-care centers scheduled to receive vision screening services for the current year (unless screened through EPSDT).

Documentation Required:

See above.

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Evaluation Question:

None



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MPR 2

The local health department shall assure that school-age children receive vision screening in grades 1, 3, 5, 7, & 9 or grades 1, 3, 5, & 7, and in conjunction with driver training classes.

Reference: Michigan Administrative Code R 325.13094 (2).

Indicator 2.1

Program activity reports and statistics document the provision of vision screening in all private and public schools for all estimated children in need (e.g., total number of children in grades targeted for screening).

This indicator may be met by:

The local health department maintains on file:

- A chart or schedule documenting agency vision technician assignments and/or responsibilities for the current year.
- A written policy or program plan articulating the level of frequency for vision screening school-age children.
- A composite list of names of school-age children who were referred to eye care practitioners.

Copies of local health department quarterly batch sheets (Form DCH-0604) indicating the number of school-age children screened, passed, failed, referred and receiving care since the last accreditation site visit.

Documentation Required:

See above.

Evaluation Question:

None



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MPR 3

The local health department shall screen preschool children in accordance with Section II of the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) Vision Technician’s Manual (Revised, 1/2006).

Reference: Michigan Administrative Code R 325.13092.

Indicator 3.1

A preschool screening instrument, tape measure, training cards, a black wooden block “E”, or comparable orientation “E”, penlight, near and far targets for the cover tests, and a flash card acuity test are available for the vision screening of children between the ages of 3 and 5 years.

This indicator may be met by:

The local health department has available:

1. Supplies and equipment used by vision technicians including a screening instrument, tape measure, training cards, black wooden “E”, or comparable orientation “E”, penlight, near and far targets for the cover tests, and a flash card acuity test necessary to perform preschool vision screening of children.
2. A functioning stereoscopic instrument for the screening of school-age children for monocular visual acuity, two-line difference acuity, near and far phorias and the plus lens test.

Documentation Required:

See above.

Evaluation Question:

None



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Where follow-up treatment is required, the local health department shall assure that a written statement indicating the necessary course of action is provided to the parent or guardian of the child.

Reference: PA 368 of 1978, MCL 333.9305 (1).

Indicator 4.1

Documentation exists that written statements indicating the necessary course of action have been provided to parents or guardians of children whenever follow-up examination or treatment is necessary as a result of vision screening.

This indicator may be met by:

The local health department maintains on file:

DCH-0503 Room Summary Forms, or equivalents, confirming follow-up information on children referred to an eye care practitioner, and sample parent letters for inspection to confirm agency process for follow-up of children referred to an eye care practitioner.

Documentation Required:

See above.

Evaluation Question:

None

Indicator 4.2

Documentation demonstrates that a child referred for examination or treatment has received the recommended services.

This indicator may be met by:

The local health department maintains on file:

DCH-0503 Room Summary Forms, or equivalents, doctor's cards or letters confirming the follow-up of children referred to an eye care practitioner.

Documentation Required:

See above.



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None



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MPR 5

The local health department shall assure that individuals administering the screening and testing are trained in accordance with curriculum approved by the MDCH.

Reference: Michigan Administrative Code R 325.13093.

Indicator 5.1

All vision technicians have been trained in accordance with curriculum approved by the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH), and that all vision technicians have attended an MDCH approved vision technician workshop once in the last two years.

This indicator may be met by:

The local health department maintains on file:

- Vision training certificates confirming that technicians have participated in the approved MDCH training course to become qualified to screen preschool and school-age children.
- Workshop certificates confirming that technicians have participated in the approved MDCH vision technician workshop once in the last two years.
- Appraisal forms to confirm the participation of the vision technicians in the State-developed Technician Assessment Program (TAP), where preschool screening procedures are observed and evaluated by an outside monitor with a minimum of at least 5 children, ages 3-5 years.
- Appraisal forms to confirm the participation of the vision technicians in the State-developed Technician Assessment Program (TAP), where school-age screening procedures are observed and evaluated by an outside monitor with a minimum of at least 5 children in grades 1,3,5,7 and 9.

Documentation Required:

See above.

Evaluation Question:

None



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MPR 6

A local health department shall conduct periodic free vision programs for the testing and screening of children residing in its jurisdiction. The time and place of the programs shall be publicized.

Reference: PA 368 of 1978, MCL 333.9301.

Indicator 6.1

All vision screening services are provided to children without charge to parents or guardians.

This indicator may be met by:

The local health department maintains on file:

- Public announcements and media advertisement publicizing opportunities for scheduling preschool children for vision screening at local health departments.
- Documentation of public bulletins and public service announcements that include language indicating that free vision testing is available.
- An annual timetable for the purpose of notifying the public of vision screening dates, locations, and procedures for scheduling preschool children ages 3 through 5 years and school-age children in grades 1,3,5,7 and 9 (or in conjunction with driver's training).

Documentation Required:

See above.

Evaluation Question:

None