



Section IX: 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.
- An annual timetable for the purpose of notifying the public of vision screening dates, locations, and procedures for scheduling preschool children ages 3 and 5 years.
- Public announcements and media advertisements publicizing opportunities for scheduling preschool children for vision screening at local health departments.

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 doctors and referral forms for children requiring follow-up.
- Batch sheets indicating the number of children screened.

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- A list of Head Start and child-care centers scheduled to receive vision screening services for the current year, unless this population is screened through EPSDT.

Documentation Required:

See above.

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 screened and referred for the past year.
- Copies of local health department monthly batch sheets (Form H-256) indicating the number of school-age children screened for the past year.

Documentation Required:

See above.

Evaluation Question:

None

Indicator 2.2

A functioning stereoscopic instrument is available for vision screening of school-age children.

This indicator may be met by:

Observation and inspection of stereoscopic instruments, including the Titmus and Optec 2000 Vision Testers, demonstrates they are functioning.

Documentation Required:

None



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Evaluation Question :

None

Indicator 2.3

Based on the observation of at least 5 school-aged children receiving vision screening, all appropriate tests and procedures are administered correctly. (Reviewer conducts school-age Vision Technician Program “TAP: Technician Assessment Program”, using department approved process and Observation Form.)

This indicator may be met by:

The local health department maintains on file:

Appraisal forms to confirm the participation of local health department vision technicians in the state developed Technician Assessment Program (TAP), where school-age screening procedures are observed and evaluated by an outside monitor.

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:

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.

Documentation Required:

See above.

Evaluation Question:

None

Indicator 3.2

Based on the observation of at least 5 children between the ages of 3 and 5 years receiving vision screening, all appropriate tests and procedures are administered correctly.

This indicator may be met by:

The local health department maintains on file:

Appraisal forms to confirm the participation of local health department vision technicians in the state developed Technician Assessment Program (TAP), where preschool screening procedures are observed and evaluated by an outside agency monitor.

Documentation Required:

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Evaluation Question:

None



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MPR 4

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 doctor, and sample parent letters and doctor's cards for inspection to confirm agency process for follow-up of children referred to an eye doctor.

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, confirming follow-up information on children referred to an eye doctor, and sample parent letters and doctor's cards for inspection to confirm agency process for follow-up of children referred to an eye doctor.

Documentation Required:

See above.



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Evaluation Question:

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 and workshop certificates confirming that technicians have participated in the approved MDCH training course to become qualified to vision screen preschool and school-age children, and have attended a vision technician workshop once in the last two years.

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:

- A written policy or program plan articulating the opportunity to receive free preschool and school-age vision screening services.
- Documentation such as copies of public bulletins or public service announcements that include language indicating that free vision testing is available.

Documentation Required:

See above.

Evaluation Question:

None