

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH**

**HEALTH PROGRAMS ADMINISTRATION**

**BUREAU OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY PROGRAMS**

**VISION SCREENING OF PRESCHOOL AND SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN**

(By authority conferred on the department of public health by sections 2226(d), 2233, and 9321 of 1978 PA 368 and section 9 of 1965 PA 380, MCL 333.2226(d), 333.2233, 333.9321, and 16.109 and Executive Reorganization Order No. 1996-1, MCL 330.3101)

**R 325.13091 Definitions.**

Rule 1. (1) As used in these rules:

(a) "Clinic" means a place where vision screening is done, such as a school, a nursery, or a local health department facility.

(b) "Code" means 1978 PA 368, MCL 333.1101 et seq.

(c) "Screening" means the overall procedure which employs a number of tests designed to determine if an individual should be referred for a professional eye examination.

(d) "Test" means an individual specific procedure used to determine if an individual should be referred for a professional eye examination.

(2) The terms defined in the code have the same meaning when used in these rules.

History: 1981 AACCS; 2004 AACCS.

**R 325.13092 Vision tests.**

Rule 2. (1) Vision tests of preschool children who have not yet registered for the first time in school shall include tests for monocular and binocular visual acuity and for eye muscle function.

(2) Vision tests for school-age children shall include tests for monocular visual acuity and for eye muscle function.

(3) The procedures used in vision screening and testing shall be approved by the department.

History: 1981 AACCS; 2004 AACCS.

**R 325.13093 Vision technician training.**

Rule 3. Public health vision screening and vision tests shall be given by individuals trained to properly administer the screening and tests. The method of their training shall be approved by the department.

History: 1981 AACCS.

**R 325.13094 Frequency of screening.**

Rule 4. (1) Vision screening of preschool children shall be done at least once during the ages 3 to 5 years.

(2) Vision screening of school-age children shall, at a minimum, be done in grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, or grades 1, 3, 5, 7 and in conjunction with driver training. For school children who are not in graded programs, screening shall be done biennially starting at age 6.

History: 1981 AACCS; 2004 AACCS.

**R 325.13095 Follow-up notices.**

Rule 5. The statement required by section 9305 of the code shall be a written statement that an eye examination by an ophthalmologist or optometrist is required. The statement shall be given or sent to the parent or guardian of the child.

History: 1981 AACCS.

**R 325.13096 Vision screening or test results.**

Rule 6. Copies of the results of the vision screening or testing shall be forwarded to the department on a monthly basis within 30 days after the screening or testing is administered.

History: 1981 AACCS.