



NINOS Early Head Start Vision Screening

Child's Name: _____ DOB: _____ Age: _____

ABC's of Vision Difficulty

This list can be used to identify the need for a vision examination and should be shared with the teachers, parents, and child's physician.

A's APPEARANCE OF THE EYES (Check all that apply)

- Red/Yellow "whites" Watery eyes or Drainage Encrusted Lids Droopy &/or Swollen eyelids
- Frequent Styles Very Large &/or Difference size eyes Eyes constantly move, eyes jerk w/Fixation
- Eyes &/or pupils look different in pictures Eyes crossed - turning in or out at any time (>6mos.)

B's BEHAVIOR INDICATIVE OF POSSIBLE VISION DIFFICULTY

Check: Yes / No

Birth-1st months of life:

- Looks towards the face of the person holding him YES NO

2nd -3rd months of life:

- Stares and follows moving object, light or face past midline YES NO
- Switches gaze/ stare between two people or objects (toys) YES NO

4th - 5th month of life:

- Reaches towards an object (toy) and grasps it YES NO
- Eyes are aligned when fixates on/stares at a close object YES NO

6th months of life:

- Looks at near and distant objects YES NO
- Attempts to pick up dropped toy and can transfer to hand-to hand YES NO

7th - 12th months of life:

- Accurately reaches for item of interest / good eye-hand coordination (>6months) YES NO
- Notices and tries to pick-up small items such as bread crumbs YES NO
- Plays pat-a-cake and peek-a-boo YES NO

13th - 18th months of life:

- Looks for and identifies (point to) pictures in books YES NO
- Puts items into and pulls items out of a container YES NO

24th - 36th months of life:

- Uses crayon to make lines and circles scribbles YES NO
- Arranges similar pictures / objects in groups YES NO
- Watched & imitates other children (30-36 months) YES NO
- Catches, climb up/on, and stacks items YES NO

Additional Visual Symptoms of Concerns

- Blinks excessively or Rarely blinks
- Turns head using only one eye to look at object in front of child
- Academic difficulties for age/development
- Thrust head forward/backward when looks at distant objects
- Puts head close to book/desk when looking at books/drawing
- Exhibits "acting out" or "class clown" behavior NOT appropriate for age
- Covers or closes one eye frequently
- Avoids close work/ learning activity
- Squints or frowns as looks at objects

C's - COMPLAINTS ASSOCIATED WITH USING THE EYES

- Rubs eyes as if they Hurts, Burn, Itch Cries & holds head like has headache Has Nausea & /or Dizziness
- None of the A, B, and C's of Vision Difficulty apply to child

Referral Required Yes NO

Signature of screener: _____

Date of screening: _____