

# **COMMON VISION PROBLEMS IN CHILDREN**

## ΜΥΟΡΙΑ

Also known as nearsightedness, Myopia causes problems with vision of distance objects.



## **HYPEROPIA**

Also known as farsightedness, Hyperopia causes problems with vision of near objects.



## **AMBLYOPIA**

Also known as lazy eye. One eye is not being used, which causes reduced vision in that eye.

## **STRABISMUS**

Also known as crossed eye. The eyes are moving in different directions, blocking healthy vision development. Strabismus is the most common cause of amblyopia.

# ASTIGMATISM

There is a problem in the shape of the eye, causing objects both near and far to appear blurry.





Our vision is for each Wisconsin resident to have healthy vision at every stage of life.

### **Our Mission**

Founded in 1958, Prevent Blindness Wisconsin improves the lives of children, adults and families through early detection of eye conditions to prevent blindness and preserve sight. On-going vision screening activities and state-wide public health education lead to a lifetime of healthy vision.

Visions screening certification from Prevent Blindness Wisconsin is valid for three years. Including this certification on your résumé may enhance your future job prospects and advertises your new skill set. Prevent Blindness Wisconsin has resources to help you vision screen now and in your future career. These resources include:

- Protocols set by the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health nationalcenter.preventblindness.org
- Updated and valid vision screening charts and occluders
- Resources for parent education and follow-up on referral wisconsin.preventblindness.org/resources
- Statewide trainings on vision screening to renew your certification
- Financial assistance programs for low-income, uninsured families to receive vision care
- Ongoing consultation for vision screening programs

#### **Become a Volunteer**

Put your vision screening certification to use! There are statewide volunteer opportunities to provide vision screenings in your community. Vision screenings are a wonderful way to gain hands-on public health experience while helping ensure people in your community have healthy vision for life. Contact Prevent Blindness Wisconsin for more information about volunteer opportunities near you.

#### **Support our Mission**

No gift is too small to make an impact:

- \$1 Provides follow-up for 1 child who did not pass their vision screening
- \$5 Educates one family on the importance of healthy vision
- \$10 Generates one child's "Success Story"
- \$15 Purchases 1 Snellen/Sloan wall chart for school-age vision screening

\$20 - Purchases a "You can't learn if you can't see" T-shirt from Newd to help raise awareness on vision health and fundraise for our sight-saving services and programs

https://wisconsin.preventblindness.org/prevent-blindness-wisconsin-apparel

Venmo your donation to donate@pbwi.org or visit wisconsin.preventblindness.org/donate to help further our mission.

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