

## **Prevent Blindness Vision Screening Certification Program**

Children and adolescents may not be aware of reduced visual functioning. Routine vision screening is vitally important to identify individuals at risk of a vision condition. Problems identified by vision screening should be followed up with a comprehensive eye examination. If a child does not pass vision screening, records must indicate that he/she has an appointment with an optometrist or ophthalmologist. Together, vision screening and eye examinations are complementary and essential to vision and eye health.

The Prevent Blindness Vision Screening Certification Program is customizable by age cohort, state protocols, and state requirements. The program includes:

1. Common Vision Conditions
2. Signs and Symptoms of Vision Problems
3. Designing a Screening Program
4. Implementing Vision Screening (with hands-on)
5. Barriers to Eye Care and Solutions
6. Written Assessment

Prevent Blindness Northeast Region has certified over 700 screeners, including pediatricians, family physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses, health managers, early educators, medical assistants and community volunteers

The program is 3.5 hours in length and certification term is 3 years. Please contact us for further details at

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