

Lions Screen Kids Sight

Process for Approving Lions Eye Care Assistance

All actions by School Staff are on page one.

1. **School staff**, at 6 to 8 weeks after screening, should follow up on each student referred for professional diagnosis.

IF eye care has been provided, all is well. Exit this process.

IF the needed professional care has not been arranged, staff encourages it for their child's sake.

Repeat follow up might be appropriate.

If financial impediment to obtaining care is not an issue, exit this process.

2. *IF* **School staff** determines, in discussion with a parent or guardian of a student referred for professional diagnosis, that financial assistance seems necessary to enable obtaining this care.

THEN **School staff** informs the parent/guardian that financial assistance may be available from, in this order of priority:

- a) Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS), which covers eye care for their child, if they are enrolled. If they qualify to enroll, encourage them to do so; or
- b) this School using a VSP Gift Certificate, if it is available, for free eye examinations and glasses that the school or agency receives for sponsoring each school nurse to join the National Association of School Nurses (NASN). The cost is about \$130, and the nurse receives 10 vouchers, each providing eye care for a student in need; or
- c) Lions, if they apply and meet financial qualification criteria.

If assistance option a) or b) can be used, staff could continue following up. Exit this process.

3. *IF* **School staff** determines, in discussion with a parent or guardian, that c) Lions assistance seems the only way to assure obtaining professional care, and if they are willing to accept help.

THEN School staff:

- a) provides them with a Lions assistance application form for them to complete and deliver to the Lions according to instructions on the form;
 OR
- b) if a Lions assistance application form is unavailable, ask if they would allow school staff to provide their contact information to the Lions so a Lion could work with them in applying for financial assistance.

If yes, school staff provides this permission and contact information to the **Lions Assistance Coordinator** (currently Lion Jim Myers). Exit this process.

Lions pursue action from here.

All actions by Lions are on page two.

- 4. **Lions Assistance Coordinator** contacts parent/guardian referred by school staff to facilitate assistance when a Lions assistance application form was unavailable at the school. 5. **Lions Assistance Coordinator** processes each completed Lions assistance application form received from a parent or guardian. The Lions Assistance Coordinator will:
 - a) Determine if the child is covered or can be covered by Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) or any other insurance. If there is coverage by either of these two options then inform the parent or guardian and Exit this process OR
 - b) Use a VSP Gift Certificate for free eye examinations and glasses that he receives for sponsoring school nurses to join the National Association of School Nurses (NASN). The cost is about \$130, and the nurse receives 10 vouchers, each providing eye care for a student in need.

OR

c) If an application received is for a sponsoring club's assistance, send it to the sponsoring Club's Authorized Lion to process the application. The Club's Authorized Lion, considers the application according to the Club's methods, obtaining any additional information needed from the parent/guardian. The Club's Authorized Lion notifies the client they have been accepted to receive Lions assistance to obtain eye exam and glasses for their child or not by: an Acceptance vehicle the Club uses and instructions on how to obtain the Lions sponsored care for their student and all restrictions; or a rejection notice when assistance is not warranted.

The Club's Authorized Lion should tell the Lions Assistance Coordinator of the decision.

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