

### Please Note:

- ⇒ Mark which training you will attend.
- ⇒ No CEU's are offered through Prevent Blindness. Please check with your professional associations.
- ⇒ A confirmation will be sent one week prior to the training. If the training is full, Prevent Blindness will contact you.
- ⇒ Let Prevent Blindness know if you need to cancel/reschedule by calling 1.800.301.2020. There is always a waiting list of individuals who want to attend.
- ⇒ Access directions to training locations via [www.mapquest.com](http://www.mapquest.com) or a similar website. Directions cannot be given by Prevent Blindness.
- ⇒ There is NO COST to attend the training.
- ⇒ No food or drinks are provided. As this is a 6 hour training, please bring a sack lunch with you.

### ALSO:

- ⇒ A maximum of 2 individuals from each organization/agency/office is allowed to attend. If you have a group of 15 or more and would like to schedule a separate training, contact PBO at 1.800.301.2020.

### Overview of the Prevent Blindness Preschool Vision Screening Certification Program:

Prevent Blindness is the only organization offering a national certification program for pediatric vision screening and vision screening training. We work to assure that children's vision is being screened with techniques based on current research.

Protocols for certification are based on the recommendations of the National Expert Panel of the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health at Prevent Blindness. The National Expert Panel includes leading professionals in ophthalmology, optometry, pediatrics and public health. The recommendations provide an evidence-based approach to vision screening in children ages 3 to 5.

Vision Screening certification assures that evidence-based science and expert consensus result in standardized vision screening methods that are cost-effective in sight conservation. Minimum protocols must be strictly followed in order to maintain certification. If a program does not meet the minimum standards, it can no longer be referred to as a Prevent Blindness-certified screening.

Prevent Blindness' approved vision screening protocol is aligned with those of the Ohio Department of Health and the American Academy of Pediatrics vision screening standards. The training includes distance visual acuity testing and stereopsis testing using approved tools, as well as observation of the child and the child's eyes. Additionally, a critical component of the screening is the referral for a comprehensive eye exam upon the suspicion of any potential problems, as well as appropriate follow-up with the child and the child's caregiver. The primary purpose of a vision screening is to educate consumers about the importance of regular professional eye exams and to find those at highest risk for vision problems and to facilitate follow up for professional care. A vision screening is not a substitute for a comprehensive eye exam.



**The Ohio Affiliate of Prevent Blindness (PBO)** was founded in 1957 and is Ohio's leading volunteer nonprofit public health organization dedicated to preventing blindness and preserving sight. We serve all 88 Ohio counties, providing direct services to more than 800,000 Ohioans annually and educating millions of consumers about what they can do to protect and preserve their precious gift of sight. PBO is an affiliate of Prevent Blindness, the country's second-oldest national voluntary health organization.

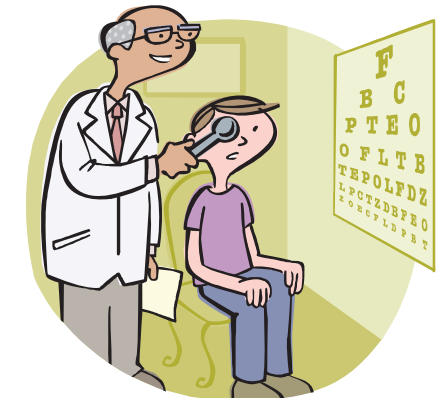
[www.pbohio.org](http://www.pbohio.org)  
1-800-301-2020



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<http://www.saveoursight.ohio.gov/>

## *FREE* PRESCHOOL VISION SCREENING TRAINING, CERTIFICATION & EQUIPMENT



### SPRING 2015 SCHEDULE

**These trainings are appropriate for healthcare and allied healthcare professionals, child care/day care providers, school nurses, public health professionals and community volunteers to attend.**

**The Preschool Vision Screening Certification Program provides:**

- Instruction on how to perform stereopsis and distance visual acuity screening,
- Detailed information on childhood eye diseases and disorders,
- Preschool Vision Screening Guidelines *published by the Ohio Department of Health,*
- Sample referral and follow up resources and access to no cost eye exams and eyeglasses for qualifying families.

Upon successful completion of the training you/your organization is eligible to receive **FREE** vision screening equipment (a \$500 value) that includes:

- VIP single, crowded Lea Symbols Visual Acuity screening test at 5 feet for screening visual acuity,
- Preschool Assessment of Stereopsis (PASS2) for screening stereopsis,
- Assorted children's vision care resources and brochures.

**Find out more or register online at: [www.WiseAboutEyes.org](http://www.WiseAboutEyes.org)**

**Cincinnati:**

**5/5/15 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**

Mercy Health  
615 Elsinore Place, Room 640  
Cincinnati, OH 45202

\*if you arrive after 9:00, please call 859.229.5466 for admittance into bldg.

**Cleveland:**

**6/2/15 from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm**

The Free Medical Clinic of Greater Cleveland, Community Room  
12201 Euclid Avenue  
Cleveland, OH 44106

**Columbus:**

**5/12/15 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**

Westerville Public Library  
126 S. State Street  
Westerville, OH 43081

**Toledo:**

**6/8/15 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm**

Mercy College of Ohio  
Lower McAuley Room #3702  
2221 Madison Avenue  
Toledo, OH 43604

Due to grant restrictions, we are unable to provide food or beverage and the training schedule does not allow for an extended lunch break. Please plan accordingly and bring your own food and drink to sustain you for the day.

**Register Online at:  
[www.WiseAboutEyes.org](http://www.WiseAboutEyes.org)**

**Expectations of participants receiving Preschool Vision Screening Certification:**

1. To conduct vision screenings according to the established guidelines as presented in the training class,
2. To document and report individual screening results to the Ohio Department of Health via ImpactSIIS for a minimum period of three years.

**Interested?** Mail or fax completed form to:

Prevent Blindness, attn.: Julie Rock, 1500 W. Third Ave., Suite 200, Columbus, OH 43212. Fax: 614-481-9670

**You can also register online at: [www.WiseAboutEyes.org](http://www.WiseAboutEyes.org). A maximum of 2 individuals per organization may register.**

NAME:(s) \_\_\_\_\_ TRAINING DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF BUSINESS/AGENCY: \_\_\_\_\_ TRAINING LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

AREA CODE/PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL # ATTENDING (MAX OF 2): \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME(S) ATTENDING: \_\_\_\_\_