


**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF YOUTH SERVICES
OAKLEY YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

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I. POLICY

It is the policy of the Mississippi Department of Human Services, Division of Youth Services, that standard procedural guidelines shall be established to ensure appropriate optometry services shall be available for all youth.(4-JCF-4C-20)

II. DEFINITIONS

As used in this policy and procedure, the following definitions apply:

None

III. PROCEDURE

A. Admission Optometry Services

A nurse shall complete a vision test, using the Snellen Alphabet chart or Snellen chart suitable for illiterate or non-English-speaking youth, on all youth.

1. Youth having 20/40 or greater vision deficit in one or both eyes during the testing process shall be referred to a community optometrist.
2. Appointments to optometrist shall be made when vision screen is completed per standing orders and made available to facility practitioners at next visit so that signature can be obtained.
3. The optometrist shall complete the appropriate optometric prescription.(4-JCF-4C-20)
4. Eye glasses shall be ordered using the approved eyeglasses provider using their ordering procedures.
5. The nurse shall document in the youth's health record, Interdisciplinary Progress Notes XI.8.A when the youth receives their glasses.

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- B. Youth with vision complaints and/or trauma while at the facility shall be assessed and an appropriate referral(s) made.
- C. Annual vision screening shall be complete on all youth and documented in the youth's health record, Interdisciplinary Progress Notes XI.8.A.
- D. The Director of Medical Services shall revise this policy as necessary.