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Vision Screening of Senior Kindergarten (SK) Children

We want to hear from you!

- The current 2018 Ontario Public Health Standards require public health units to annually implement a **universal vision screening program for SK children**
- The program began in **January 2019**, and vision screening will be conducted at all schools for SK students on an annual basis
- School vision screening does **not replace a comprehensive eye exam by an optometrist**
- Communication to parents includes promoting the **OHIP-covered** annual comprehensive eye examination to all children up to and including age **19 years**
- The Durham Region Health Department is **conducting an evaluation** of the first year of the SK vision screening program
- We are interested in learning if there has been any **impact on comprehensive eye exams** as a result of vision screening. The **survey** should take 5 minutes and your responses will be **anonymous**
- We value your feedback. The survey link can be found at:

<https://ocean.cognisantmd.com/questionnaires/core/QuestionnaireOnline.html?accessKey=TFs20NQq3mDP3BhGoJta>

- If your office has programming in place to support families with the **cost of eyeglasses** or if you have any questions about this program, please contact us at healthyschools@durham.ca

Health care provider resources now available to order online durham.ca/HCP.

Durham Region Health Department: 905-668-7711, 1-800-841-2729

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