



Department of Health

Save Our Sight

The **Save Our Sight Program** was established by the state of Ohio to ensure that Ohio's children have good vision and healthy eyes. The program is funded by donations from Ohioans who choose to give an extra dollar or more when applying or renewing their license plates.

Thanks to the generous donations of Ohio vehicle owners, the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles and the staff of the local deputy registrar agencies, the Save Our Sight program has reached almost three million children in Ohio.

We're proud to support the following initiatives:

The Ohio Amblyope Registry (OAR) is the first and only statewide registry for children and families with amblyopia. The OAR provides free treatment supplies, educational information, and support to any child under the age of 18 and their family in the state of Ohio diagnosed with amblyopia. The OAR also provides assistance with helping our registrants stay compliant with patching therapy. Every child, regardless of household income, can receive additional free eye patches, education, compliance information and support during their patching treatment. ohioamblyoperegistry.com

The award-winning **Realeyes** program is an educational initiative created by the Ohio Optometric Association (OOA). The OOA strives to educate the public on the importance of comprehensive eye care. Each classroom presentation is led by a local optometrist and includes an interactive age-appropriate curricula. There are six standardized presentations available, from preschool through high school. Topics include eye anatomy, eye safety, and vision disorders. ooa.org/realeyes



At **Prevent Blindness Ohio**, our mission is to prevent blindness and preserve sight. We offer free training, certification, and equipment for primary care providers and individuals who serve children in a public school or licensed child care setting on how to properly conduct vision screenings for children in preschool through twelfth grade. Upon successful completion of the training, participants receive a 3-year national certification from Prevent Blindness and are eligible to receive a free set of vision screening equipment. www.pbohio.org

The Ohio Ophthalmological Society's **Play Hard Don't Blink / Superspecs** program has outfitted more than two million Ohio children over the past two decades with free eyewear protection for youth athletic and vocational activities. We provide safety goggles, sports helmets, and protective masks, including prescription eyewear, to children ages 18 and younger throughout the state. We distribute the equipment through youth athletic league directors and coaches, school vocational administrators and teachers, and directly to parents and youth advocates. superspecs.org



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