VISION SCREENING

STATEMENT

The California School Nurses Organization recognizes that school districts should fulfill the mandate for vision screening as well as the mandate regarding the detection and referral for treatment of common occurring visual anomalies according to the Education Codes. Credentialed School Nurses, as the duly qualified supervisors of health, are the most qualified persons to implement these mandates.

RATIONALE

Credentialed School Nurses, by virtue of their educational preparation and experience, are the best qualified to plan and implement a comprehensive vision screening program which includes health education in vision conservation, screening, referral and follow up to provide assistance for the remediation of vision or related problems.

Reference:


California Education Code Section 44877. School Nurses: qualifications.

California Education Code Section 49426. School Nurses: qualifications and services.

California Education Code Section 49452. Sight and hearing testing.