



Vision Screener

Delta Gamma Center's mission is to help children who are blind or visually impaired reach their full potential through family-centered, specialized services and community support.

POSITION SUMMARY

The vision screener at Delta Gamma Center (DGC) supports the vision screening program's goals of early detection and treatment of visual problems in infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. Because parents and caregivers of young children may not be aware of reduced visual functioning, vision screening is critical to detect problems before a child's development is negatively impacted.

Vision screening is an effective tool in promoting the treatment of preventable vision concerns at the earliest age possible.

DGC's priority is reaching underserved and at-risk populations including a focus on children with special needs and low-income neighborhoods. The vision screener provides screenings throughout the bi-state St. Louis metropolitan area using a portable camera-like screening device.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Conducts vision screenings at community sites in accordance with best practices and DGC standards
- Coordinates with vision screening coordinator to schedule services and to obtain the screening device and supplies needed onsite
- Coordinates with site staff to schedule screenings and to set up the screening environment to ensure maximum efficiency, conduct screenings, and deliver results to parents of the children
- Ensures children feel comfortable throughout the screening process
- Processes accurate screening and referral data; provides paper results to site staff to share with parents and data to the vision screening coordinator
- Leads and coordinates with volunteers onsite when appropriate

- Interacts professionally when representing DGC, building positive relationships, and promoting the importance of vision and follow-up care to site staff, caregivers, volunteers, children, and families
- Respects the unique interests, culture, needs, and priorities of all site staff, children, caregivers, and families
- Other duties as assigned

QUALIFICATIONS

- Associate degree or higher in early childhood development/education, human services, or related field is preferred
- Experience working with children birth to six years old is preferred; experience with center-based childcare, early childhood education, home visiting, and/or early intervention is a plus
- Possesses strong interpersonal and communication skills with children including those with disabilities, as well as families and professionals from diverse backgrounds
- Excellent organizational, administrative, and customer service skills
- Ability to function independently and collaborate as part of a team
- Competence in learning and using new technology including computer and mobile apps; proficient in the use of MS Outlook, Word, and Excel; experience with MS Access is a plus
- Dexterity and mechanical aptitude as required to operate visions screening equipment
- Bilingual in English and Spanish is a plus

REPORTS TO

Vision Screening Coordinator

TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT

- Part-time averaging 10-20 hours per week; schedule varies by week and time of year; vision screenings are typically scheduled during weekday morning hours with occasional evening and weekend hours

- Must have a car and maintain a valid driver's license, auto insurance, and acceptable driving record to meet travel requirements of service area; screenings locations are within a 50-mile radius of the Center located in Richmond Heights
- Must have access to email and cell phone
- Complete training on the importance of vision to child development, vision screening practices, and using screening equipment provided by DGC as needed
- Background check, drug screen, and health certification completed upon offer of employment
- Must be physically able to lift or move 30 pounds; push/pull and lift equipment and supplies; and stand, sit or drive for long periods

TO APPLY

1. Submit a cover letter explaining why you are interested in this position and how your personality, skills, and professional experience make you the ideal candidate for the position outlined in the job description.
2. Submit a resume outlining your professional experience and achievements, education, and relevant training and credentials, and
3. Email cover letter and resume to **employment@dgckids.org** or fax to 314.776.7808.