The clarifications and interpretations below will remain on the Department’s web site until the information is included in the next updated Regulatory Compliance Guide (RCG).

Regulation: § 3800.145(a) – Vision Care
§ 3800.145(a) - Each child shall receive vision screening and services to include diagnosis and treatment including eyeglasses, for defects in vision.

Question: What responsibility does the home have if a child refuses to have a vision screening conducted?

Answer: The home has responsibility for compliance with this regulation. The home should attempt to educate both the child and the child’s legal guardian/parent/advocate (whichever is applicable) as to the benefits of having a vision screening conducted, as well as the regulatory necessity of having it completed.