

Mobile Vision Clinic Events

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What: We have converted a travel trailer into a fully equipped eye exam system. We can perform basic vision exams, fit eyeglasses, and perform more detailed Functional Vision Evaluations for issues that impact learning, development, activities of daily living, or work. We intend to improve access to eye care in communities both rural and urban.

When: We are scheduling mobile vision trips starting in May of 2022. We can visit schools, clinics, community centers, churches, or health fairs. These trips can be for one or more days.

Who: We can provide services for patients of any age, however, our mission emphasizes services to children 1 to 18 years old such as children needing basic eye exams or functional evaluations to explore vision issues related to learning or development.

Our Team: At minimum our attending team will consist of one optometrist and one staff or adult volunteer (over 18). Additional staff/volunteers attend when available and/or needed.

How: The flow generally follows these steps

Preplanning: We establish an appropriate Memorandum of Understanding document with the host of the Mobile Vision Clinic event. We coordinate with the host prior to the trip to determine the best plan for conducting the event. Some events can involve scheduled appointments and others may have walk-in availability. Some events are coordinated with vision screenings (such as school based vision screenings).



Event: The host provides a space that can accommodate the 26 foot trailer in a safe level position. We arrive in the morning and it takes about 1 hour to set up. We can generate our own electricity but it is ideal to be able to plug in. We can see 4-6 patients per hour for basic eye exams (Functional Vision Evaluations take considerably longer

and need to be pre-scheduled). If patients need eyeglasses they can choose from a selection that includes the Medicaid eligible frame/lens selection. We pack up and head home at the end of the event. We stay overnight in the community for multi day events.

Followup: We may return to the community (without the trailer) in the coming weeks to dispense and adjust eyeglasses or to train patients/families in necessary therapy procedures to address functional vision issues that might be present.

Our Database: Data is securely stored digitally according to HIPAA standards. Contact information is provided to the patient/family if they have any questions or concerns once we have left the event.

COST: This mobile vision clinic will see patients with Apple Health / Medicaid without any fees for services. Children under 18 are eligible for free eyeglasses. We have resources to serve uninsured patients. For individuals with private health insurance, there may be some fees involved.

SCHEDULING: We are currently scheduling Mobile Vision Clinic trips to start in May, 2022. We will consider any location in WA State. We require at least 2 weeks preparation time from the time of scheduling to the date of the event in order to recruit necessary volunteers and coordination. Step one in scheduling a mobile vision clinic event is to contact Dr. Alan Pearson, Executive Director of the Near Vision Institute at:

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(425)-269-3169 (leave a message with contact details and I will return your call)



Near Vision Institute: is a non-profit corporation in WA State that was formed in 2021 to facilitate vision screenings and eye exams through our EYE See Clinics, and technology development for remote interventions for learning related vision dysfunctions. More information for each of these divisions can be found at the following websites:

Near Vision Institute: www.NVI.global

EYE See Clinic: www.EYSeeClinic.org

NOTE: For people willing to travel to Bothell or Bellevue Washington eye exams, Functional Vision Evaluations, and therapy services are currently available year round.