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ABCD Screeners
Rural and Urban Alaska

Dear Colleagues:

We thank you heartily for participating in an ABCD-Vision Screening Clinic. One of the most important tasks of the cooperative component of ABCD is getting the screening technology to the kids! This letter is intended to accompany the interpretation results from your screening clinic.

We want you to visit the ABCD Web site (www.abcd-vision.org) with updated information regarding screening clinic, paperwork, current options of photoscreeners, remote autorefractors and acuity tests, and advice on how to do the best possible screening. ABCD screeners are getting better and better through feedback with their interpreted results!

When you compile photoscreen images, I can deliver the most reliable interpretation results with photos when 1) the screening room is dimly lit, 2) When the camera is clearly focused, 3) When the child is looking directly at the camera 4) When I can find at least one such image with the flash horizontally oriented and one with flash vertically oriented and 5) when you identify what type of camera (digital model) was used. We urge you to review your images and take extras if needed. Try NOT to have distracting objects, or other people near you when photoscreening because the child will not be inclined to keep focused on the camera.

Sincerely Yours,

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