

South Carolina Optometrists Partner with State Legislators and Local Mayors in Improving Infant Eye and Vision Care

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CHARLESTON, S.C., Sept. 20 /PRNewswire/ -- Due to the overwhelming number of children with eye and vision problems across the United States, South Carolina optometrists are devoting appointments to no-cost, comprehensive eye and vision assessments for infants between six to 12 months of age through InfantSEE®.

InfantSEE®, a public health program developed by Optometry Cares - The AOA Foundation and Vistakon®, Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Inc., was designed to provide professional eye care for infants nationwide at no-cost, regardless of family income or number of eligible children.

"Detecting vision problems at an early age is the best way to ensure our children have healthy vision for successful development and learning," said Sen. Paul Campbell (R-44). "Educating parents about the importance of establishing ongoing vision care for their children beginning at a very young age is also a top priority. I encourage families in South Carolina to take advantage of this free eye examination through InfantSEE® and the South Carolina Optometric Physicians Association."

"What a wonderful gift of time and talent by South Carolina's optometrists to offer free eye exams to infants between birth and one year of age," said Sen. Luke Rankin (R-33). "I encourage all South Carolinians to take advantage of this opportunity for early detection and treatment for our infant's vision problems."

Leading members of the South Carolina House have also expressed their support for the InfantSEE® program.

"This is a wonderful opportunity to have children at an early age get their vision tested," said Rep. Mike Sottile (R-112). "This will only enhance the well being of the child for many years to come. I just want to say thank you to the South Carolina optometrists for providing this great service."

"What a wonderful opportunity for all involved," said Rep. Joe Daning (R-92). "

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