



**REQUEST FOR SERVICES
to
HELEN KELLER INTERNATIONAL**

**OPTOMETRIST
(New Haven, CT)**

Established in 1915 with Helen Keller as a founding trustee, Helen Keller International (HKI) is dedicated to saving the sight and lives of the world's most vulnerable and disadvantaged. Headquartered in New York City, HKI currently conducts programs in 20 countries in Africa and Asia, as well as in the United States. Renowned for its reliability, efficiency and high level of technical expertise, HKI promotes the development of sustainable, large-scale programs that deliver effective preventative and curative services for nutrition, eye health and neglected tropical diseases. The hallmark of the organization's work is its proven success in developing, testing and scaling-up health interventions, and integrating them within government and community structures to support and build local capacity and sustainable solutions.

CHILDSIGHT® PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Recognizing a lack of accessible, adequate vision care among low-income children in the United States, HKI established ChildSight® in 1994. This program was designed by optometrists, ophthalmologists, and public health experts to identify children at risk of refractive error, amblyopia and other serious eye conditions and ensure that these children receive eyeglasses and/or referrals for further treatment. In so doing, the program "brings education into focus"™ for children who would otherwise be left with poor vision – and unfulfilled potential. To date, ChildSight® has screened nearly **1.9 million** students in the United States and has provided free eyeglasses to over **290,000** children living in some of our country's poorest neighborhoods.

HKI is continuing its ChildSight® vision screening program throughout Greater New Haven community and is seeking a consulting **optometrist(s)** to provide services to middle and/or high school aged students in the New Haven area schools.

NATURE OF SERVICES

Provide vision assessment to middle and/or high school aged students in the Greater New Haven area 2-4 days per month, during the school day throughout the academic year. The program model includes an initial visual acuity screening, refraction assessment, provision of eyeglasses and/or referral for additional care. Consultants will be asked to participate in third-party reimbursement pilot.

SPECIFIC REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Please describe the nature of your experience as an optometrist and why your experience is well suited to the nature of the work described above. In particular, please be sure to address each of the following points:

- Professional experience working with middle and/or high school aged students
- Status of Connecticut license and professional liability insurance.
- Schedule of fees.

In addition, please provide your CV and three references who may be contacted by HKI. These references should be existing clients with service requirements similar to HKI.

Please submit your proposal to jkatz@hki.org noting ChildSight-CT in the subject line.

Helen Keller International is an Equal Opportunity Employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information, disability, or protected veteran status.