



for the blind and visually impaired

LOW VISION REHABILITATION SERVICES REFERRAL FORM

PATIENT INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Diagnosis: _____ Diagnosis Code: _____

Date of last eye exam: _____ Visual Acuity: R.E. _____ L.E. _____

Is eye condition currently stable? _____

Other Information: _____

Patient's health insurance: _____

SERVICES REQUESTED:

_____ LOW VISION EVALUATION

_____ SOCIAL SERVICES AND SUPPORT IN ADJUSTING TO VISION LOSS

_____ ORIENTATION AND MOBILITY TRAINING

_____ DAILY LIVING SKILLS

REFERRED BY: _____ **NPI:** _____

Office or Agency: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

Date of Referral: _____

3200 HILLVIEW AVENUE, SUITE 120
PALO ALTO, CA 94304
650-858-0202
650-858-0214 FAX

(Located at the corner of Porter and Hillview,
just off Page Mill Road. Parking and wheelchair
access are at the front of the building.)

413 LAUREL STREET
SANTA CRUZ, CA 95060
831-458-9766
831-426-6233 FAX

(Located between Washington and Center
Street. Parking and wheelchair access are
at the side of the building.)

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**An orientation to these services can be scheduled
by calling VISTA CENTER.**

Low Vision Evaluation

Low vision evaluations are provided by optometrists who are low vision specialists. Using special tests designed for the visually impaired, they can determine the appropriate aids, lighting, and techniques to improve functional vision.

Social Services & Support in Adjusting to Vision Loss

Social workers assess clients' needs for services provided by the Center and put them in touch with other community resources available to them. If the client is in agreement, this assessment generally takes place during an individualized visit to the client's home. Counseling helps both client and family cope with the special problems accompanying sight loss. Support groups offer an opportunity for clients to talk about strategies for coping with sight loss, exchange information about other available resources and discuss the grieving process that usually accompanies sight loss.

Orientation & Mobility

Our Mobility Specialists teach clients how to travel safely and independently. Instruction may include crossing streets, using a cane, using low vision devices for travel (e.g., monocular), using public transportation, orientation to the work place, in the community, at school, or orientation for dog guide users.

Daily Living Skills

Daily living skills instruction enables clients to become more independent by learning such skills as food preparation, home management, medical self-care, personal management (grooming), and money management.

