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**SENATOR GRAY EVANS ENCOURAGES PARENTS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
FREE EYE CHECKUP**

State Senator Cheryl Gray Evans is encouraging parents to take advantage of free eye checkups available to infants six to twelve weeks old. The InfantSEE program is part of a week-long effort to combat life-long visual impairment, developmental delays, and, in rare cases, life-threatening health risks. Currently, one in 10 American children have vision problems and most visual development occurs between six and 12 months of age.

Parents can bring their baby in for a no-cost comprehensive eye assessment at the following VSP InfantSEE Mobile Clinics:

INFANTSEE MOBILE CLINICS:

Monday, August 3rd
9am - 5pm
Academy Sports
50 Westbank Highway
Gretna, LA

Tuesday, August 4th
9am - 5pm
Wal-Mart
1901 Tchoupitoulas St.
New Orleans, LA

Wednesday, August 5th
9am - 5pm
North Shore Square Mall
140 Northshore Blvd.
Slidell, LA

Additionally, the following New Orleans optometrists are also offering no-cost eye check-ups in their offices, but patients must first call to make an appointment:

- Dr. Kelly Brown, 1514 Jefferson Highway (504) 842-3995
- Dr. David Heitmeier, 3501 Holiday Dr., Ste. 201 (504) 368-7081
- Dr. Jarrett Ann Johnson, 1530 N. Broad St. (504) 943-0070
- Dr. Mike Kleamenakis, 4114 Marigny St. (504) 288-2333

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