

# La Casa de Don Pedro Health Screenings

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## Projects

- Development of bilingual information pamphlets for parents to easily detect any visual and/or auditory impairments in their children.
- Development of training manual of the screening devices for the employees.

## Vision Impairment Pamphlet

**FOLLOW THE TOY**

1. Find a colorful toy that your child likes.
2. Slowly move in front of your child's eyes to see if they can follow it with their gaze.

**PICTURE BOOKS**

1. Sit with your child and show books with large, colorful pictures.
2. Ask your child to look at the pictures and describe the images.
3. Watch if your child focuses on the pictures and talks about them.

**CATCH AND STACK**

1. Engage in activities that require coordination, such as stacking blocks or catching a ball.
2. See if they have trouble accurately reaching for or interacting with objects.

**PAY ATTENTION TO SIGNS**

1. Does your child squint or rub their eyes a lot?
2. Do they tilt their head to see better?
3. Are they able to focus on the toy or pictures?
4. Do they seem to have trouble catching the ball?
5. Observe if your child feels uncomfortable adjusting into different lighting.

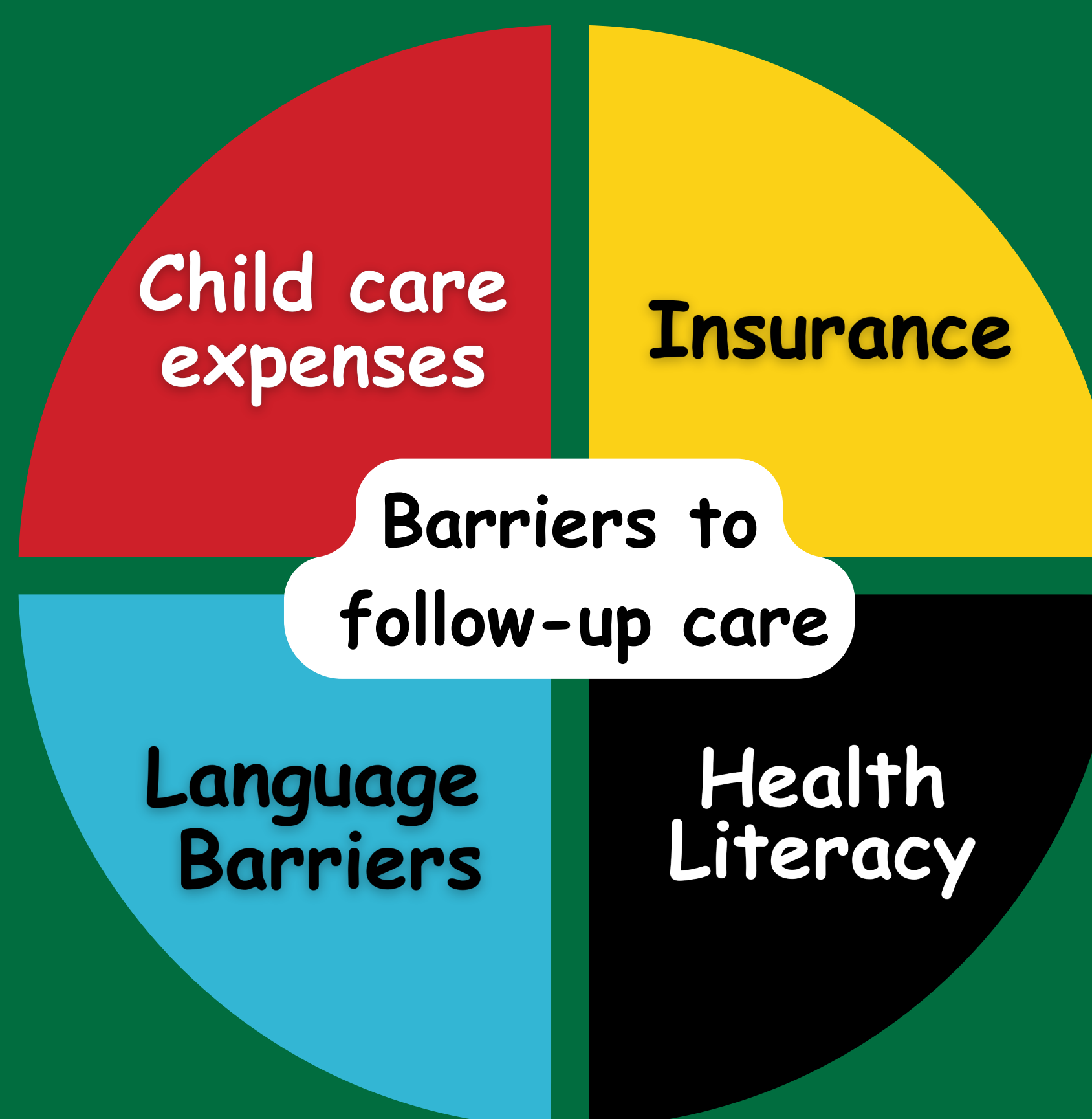
**IMPORTANCE**

A child's vision significantly impacts learning abilities at school. Catching this early can help you and the staff at La Casa de Don Pedro, give your child the help they need to succeed in school.

Through engaging activities, parents can assess whether a child can perform daily life activities without vision problems before starting school.

## Organization Overview

La Casa de Don Pedro is a non-profit organization serving marginalized communities in Newark and Essex County. It provides a variety of healthcare and community services through its Early Childhood, Healthy Homes, and Community Empowerment programs. Our responsibilities included conducting vision and auditory impairment screenings for children and inputting health data into the ChildPlus system for referrals, if needed.



## Long-Term Objectives

Early detections of "lazy eye" (amblyopia), and hearing loss through OAE (otoacoustic emissions) screening tests.

Providing referrals for complete eye and middle ear examinations if necessary.

Implementation of necessary accommodations in classroom settings.

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