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Foreword (This foreword is not part of American National Standard ANSI Z80.28-2017.)

This American National Standard addresses the communication of aberrations of the eye. With the dramatic increase in applications associated with aberrations, it is important to have uniform methods for reporting data so that it is understandable across applications.

ANSI Z80.28-2017 was adapted by a group of experts within the ANSI Instruments and Low Vision Devices Subcommittee under the chair of William L. Brown, O.D., Ph.D. It is a performance standard.

The major change made in this edition of the standard is a clarification of 5.2 that 1) changes the term "wavefront gradient fields" to "wavefront ray deflection", and 2) places the emphasis of the clause on describing the direction of propagation of rays that are the normals to the wavefront error surface being measured.

Suggestions for improvement of this standard will be welcome. They should be sent to the Vision Council, 225 Reinekers Lane, Suite 700, Alexandria, VA 22314.

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1. Scope

This standard specifies standardized methods for reporting the optical aberrations of eyes.

2. Normative References

The following standards contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this American National Standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this American National Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards indicated below.

ISO 8429: 1986, *Optics and Optical Instruments – Ophthalmology – Graduated Dial Scale*