



# Eye investigations before your hospital appointment

## Patient leaflet



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## WHY HAS A FURTHER OPTICIANS APPOINTMENT BEEN ARRANGED FOR YOU?

Following your recent eye examination with your Optometrist or visit to your GP, the Optometrist or GP have requested an appointment at the hospital for you.

Before an appointment can be arranged, the hospital would like you have a further tests. Your optometrist or GP might not have these instruments and you have therefore been referred to an Optometric Practice that does.

### WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

The Optometrist will carry out the extra tests as requested by the hospital and send the results to the hospital. Please do not drive to the appointment yourself. The test may include having your eyes dilated which can blur your vision.

Please take a list of your current medication and your current prescription glasses with you to your appointment. A copy of the results will be sent to a senior consultant at the Eye Hospital.

## WHAT HAPPENS AFTER YOUR EXTRA TESTS AT THE OPTOMETRISTS?

If no further hospital investigations are required, the hospital will let you and your GP know, and if you had an appointment with the hospital, and you simply need to attend your usual eye checks at your opticians.

If the repeat test shows that further investigation or treatment at the hospital is required, the hospital will notify you of the outcome. This will usually be a hospital appointment with a specialist doctor (Ophthalmologist), but it can be additional eye tests or a direct listing for surgery. Expect 1-2 hours for appointments.

### ABOUT YOUR RECORDS

Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group (OCCG) is responsible for monitoring the quality of the service you have received. To do this, anonymised information from your consultations with the optometrist will be reviewed by them to help evaluate and plan for the service.

Your information will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed or used without your permission.

Your information will be stored securely at all times. If you are referred to other health professionals, the details may be shared with them to ensure you get appropriate care. If you do not wish the NHS to hold and use your details in this way, please tell the Optometrist who will arrange for the details to be removed from the computer system.

