

Cataract Surgery Pre-Op Assessment

Patient Information

Ophthalmology Service



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Prior to Cataract Assessment

We recently received a referral from your eye care provider for a cataract assessment (suggesting you may have a cataract in one or both eyes). The outcome of your appointment would offer surgery to remove your cataracts.

If you are happy with your current level of vision and do not wish to proceed with this appointment, please inform the Eye Department.

This appointment may take up to 2 hours to complete the relevant tests and investigations.

For your appointment and assessment to run smoothly, please comply with the following instructions:

- You will have eyedrops during your appointment to dilate your pupil, which will blur your vision for a few hours. You will therefore be unable to drive after this appointment.
- Please bring a current list of updated regular prescribed medications.
- Please bring your latest optician prescription.
- If you are unwell, please do not attend your appointment. Contact the department to re-arrange a date.
- If you have suffered from a heart attack or stroke within the last 6 months, or a mini-stroke within the last 3 months, you will be unsuitable for cataract surgery. Please contact the department to rearrange your appointment.

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Please use this space to write notes or reminders.

Comments, Compliments or Complaints

The Patient Relations/Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) Department provides confidential on the spot advice, information and support to patients, relatives, friends, and carers.

Contact Us

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Ask 3 Questions

Become more involved in decisions about your healthcare. You may be asked to make choices about your treatment. To begin with, try to make sure you get the answers to three key questions:

1. What are my options?
2. What are the positives and negatives of each option for me?
3. How do I get support to help me make a decision that is right for me?



How We Use Your Information

For details on how we collect, use, and store the information we hold about you, please see patient information leaflet, Ref. **Corp 006** How we use your information, this can be found on the Patient Information Leaflets page on the Trust website, see details on the front cover.

This leaflet is also available in audio, large print, Braille, and other languages upon request. For more information, please ask in the department/ward.

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