## Ophthalmology - Lothian GP and Optometry Ophthalmology Referral Pathway

## **GP & Optometrists Ophthalmology Referral Pathway** Patient presents with eye condition Chronic Routine Condition GP Optometrist (including suspected Cataract & Other Gradual Vision Loss) Other Routine Other Routine Acute Condition Acute Condition Condition Condition #1 #1 #2 #2 Routine Optometrist Optometrist telephones GP telephones Acute referral to fills out Acute Referral Clinic Referral Clinic (PAEP) Outpatient Referral (PAEP) St Johns Hospital clinic Form St Johns Hospital Ophthalmic Department Ophthalmic Department Paper Referral Form sent to GP GP completes **GP** discusses patients Optometrist discusses Referral Form condition with Triage patients condition with GP adds includes nurse, appointment Triage nurse, patients then given based on patients appointment then given medical history medical hisotry clinical need based on clinical need GP to send Appointment Appointment Appointment Appointment for today within 2 weeks completed for today within 2 weeks referral form electronically through SCI gateway GP to inform patient of Optometrist completes appointment details GP referral Form & sends to refer through SCI referral form to the gateway and include Ophthalmology medical history of Department at PAEP or

#1: Trauma, Acute Red Eye, Sudden Vision Loss, Significant Pain within past 72hrs or recent onset Diplopia

patient

#2: Pathway excludes cataract referrals for 2<sup>nd</sup> eye which are to be made by an Optometrist using the 'Lothian Cataract Surgery Refractive Outcome reporting Form' directly with the hospital

ACUTE REFERRAL	ACUTE REFERRAL	ROUTINE OUTPATIENT
PAEP: MON - FRI 08.30 - 16.30	OUT OF HOURS CONTACT	REFERRAL CONTACT:
SJH: MON - FRI 09.00 - 17.00	OPHTHALMOLOGY ON CALL TEAM:	
CONTACT:		
PAEP: 0131 536 3751	PAEP: 0131 242 1000	PAEP: 0131 536 3753
	SJH OD: 0131 242 1000	SJH OD: 01506 524 286

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