



Optometry Newsletter



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- Christmas Closure notification
- Consultant Connect data reminder
- End of financial year claim deadline
- Eyecare ERS Update

For any Primary Care Optometry enquiries. Or any information you may feel of benefit to include in future issues please do not hesitate to contact us at ddicb.optometry@nhs.net



Christmas Closures and who to notify

A gentle reminder to notify NHSE and 111 of any practice closure plans over Christmas via email to england.eastmidlandsdos@nhs.net and england.eastmidsoptometry@nhs.net

**Please add 'Derbyshire' in the subject title of the email
Please take action on this ASAP**

Consultant Connect data reminder – not available after 31/12

Following on from previous communications regarding the cessation of Consultant Connect (CC) we would like to remind all Optometrists that the historic data within the Consultant Connect platform will no longer be available after the 31st December 2024 and will be deleted by Consultant Connect.

In most cases, if not all, Clinicians will have already saved appropriate information in the patient's clinical record within their own Optometrist practice. Therefore, if there is any patient data that you still require from the Consultant Connect platform, please export this as a PDF into your own practice patient records before the data is deleted on 1st January 2025.

Just to remind all Clinicians that the historic data can still be viewed, up until 31st December 2024, in the closed messages tab.

End of Financial Year

After the festive holidays and we begin approaching the end of the 2024/2025 financial year. Please can we ask that any claims for this financial year are submitted via the Enhanced service claims no later than March 28th, 2025, at the latest.



Eyecare ERS update – Advice and Guidance

University Hospital Derby and Burton will now accept Advice and Guidance requests, **via the Eyecare eRS system.**

Chesterfield Royal Hospital will move to Eyecare eRS (EeRS) for advice and guidance in the coming months. In the meantime, please use the advice and guidance contact details for CRH below:

- Chesterfield Royal Hospital Email: crhft.opthalmologyadviceandguidance@nhs.net
- Eye Casualty Emergency: 01246 512830

