

Cataract Referral (Exceptional circumstances)

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Date of referral:	Patient's Address:		
Title:			
Forenames:			
Surname:			
Date of Birth:	Postcode:		
Email Address:	NHS Number (if known):		
Home Tel:	Work/Mobile Tel:		
Referring Ophthalmic Practitioner's Details		Patient's Current GP Details	
Practitioner's Name:	GP's Name:		
Practice Address:	GP Practice Address:		
Practice Tel:			

Patient's Details:

Eye	Vision/ VA	Sph	Cyl	Axis	Prism	VA	PH	Add	Near VA	Previous VA + Date:
Right										
Left										
IOP	Time of IOP:			Visual Fields: (Delete as applicable)				Disc Appearance:		
Right	mmHg			Normal / Defective / Unreliable / Not Possible						
Left	mmHg			Normal / Defective / Unreliable / Not Possible						
Type of Tonometer:					Visual Fields Instrument:					

Findings and Explanation:

1. Patient understands that purpose of referral is for the assessment for surgery
2. Patient wishes surgery
3. Patient doesn't meet the VA criteria for cataract surgery

Patient Doesn't Meet VA Criteria:

Best corrected VA of 6/12 or more in the affected eye BUT the patient experiences one or more of the following due to subjective loss of visual performance:

- Patient is in an occupation in which a VA better than 6/12 is essential to continue to work
- Patient has anisometropia following cataract surgery with a refractive difference between the two eyes of at least +/-2 dioptres resulting in poor binocular vision or diplopia
- Patient has progressive myopia
- Patient experiences disabling problems with glare and a reduction in acuity in daylight or bright light conditions or reduced contrast sensitivity

- Cycloplegic Refraction Dilated Fundus Examination DSS to initiate contact with patient

Does the patient have a disability? If yes please specify:

STATEMENT: The reason for this referral has been explained to the patient or guardian who agrees to it. The patient or guardian also consents to information being exchanged between the Hospital Eye Service, their General Medical Practitioner and Optometrist or Ophthalmic Medical Practitioner (Please tick if patient does not consent:).

Practitioner Signature: _____ Date: _____