

Appendix 2 Urgent Referrals

This is a list of those conditions that merit urgent referral, which is usually between two days and two weeks. This will also include any suspected tumours whether ocular (choroidal melanoma, retinoblastoma etc), orbital (basal or squamous cell carcinoma, lid melanoma etc.) or systemic (pituitary tumour or other brain tumours etc.).

Urgent referral (to be seen between 2 days and 2 weeks from referral)

Symptoms or signs suggesting:

Acute dacroadenitis
Acute dacrocystitis
Any tumours including those mentioned above
ARM D (wet)
Central Retinal Vein Occlusion with elevated IOP and/or of recent onset with a marked reduction in visual acuity
Choroidal neovascular membrane
Comotio retinae
Cytomegalovirus and Candida retinitis
Dendritic ulcer
IOP > 35 mm Hg (and < 45 mmHg)
Proliferative Diabetic Retinopathy
Retinal detachment if not an emergency (see above)
Retrobulbar/optic neuritis
Rubeosis
Scleritis
Sudden onset diplopia
Unexplained Pre-Retinal Haemorrhage
"Wet" macular degeneration

This list should not be considered as exhaustive.