

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I SEE THE OPTOMETRIST?

The optometrist will discuss your recent eye history, any symptoms you may be experiencing and any related medical history. Please take a list of all current medications and your up to date glasses with you to the appointment. As a result of the consultation you may be given appropriate treatment by the optometrists, referred to your GP if the condition is related to your general health, or referred directly to the hospital eye service if your eye condition is more serious.

Following your appointment, the optometrist will notify your GP about the outcome of your consultation in order to ensure your medical records are updated. Please note, information about you will be collected such as ethnic origin, age and type of eye problem. You cannot be identified by this data. The data will only be used for clinical review, commissioning and research purposes. Should you wish to opt out, please discuss this with your optometrist.

Although you can access the Minor Eye Conditions Scheme without a referral, if your doctor has recommended that you visit an Optometrist they may wish to enter in some information below.

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Patient Name: _____ D.O.B: _____

Reason for Referral: _____

Have you previously administered any treatment for this condition?

Yes No

If yes, please give details - _____

Referrer Name: _____

GP Practice name and address: _____

Date: _____

MINOR EYE CONDITIONS SCHEME

A NEW SERVICE WHICH PROVIDES FREE ASSESSMENT FOR MANY COMMON EYE CONDITIONS THROUGH YOUR LOCAL OPTICIAN



ABOUT THE SCHEME

The Minor Eye Conditions Scheme allows patients across Lambeth and Lewisham to access NHS treatment for a range of eye conditions. Instead of having to visit hospital for treatment, patients can now be seen by a highly trained optometrist based in a local optician's practice. The aim of the scheme is to allow patients to access treatment quickly, near to where they live and work.

Appointments are often available within two days and many of the practices offer appointments at weekends. All of the opticians listed on the next page are able to see and treat patients for a range of conditions such as:

- Red eye
- Sticky eye (difficulty opening your eye or yellow discharge)
- Watery eye (excessive tears)
- Pain or discomfort in or around the eyes
- Recent onset or sudden increase of flashes of light or floating objects in your vision

If you are unsure whether your eye problem requires medical attention, please call one of the practices on the next page who will be happy to advise you.

Please note if you are suffering from significant pain, a sudden loss of vision in one or both eyes, chemical burns or a penetrating injury then you should go directly to the Eye Casualty department at St Thomas' Hospital or your nearest A&E.

WHERE CAN I BE SEEN?

Below is a list of all participating Optometrists in Lambeth and Lewisham -

Lambeth

Area	Practice	Address	Telephone
Brixton	Banks Optometrists	8 Acre Lane SW2 5SG	020 7274 4414
Oval	Medirex Opticians	60a Brixton Road SW9 6BS	020 7735 5309
Oval	Oval Eyes Opticians	8 Clapham Road SW9 0JG	020 7820 0935
Stockwell	Medirex Opticians	98 Stockwell Road SW9 9HR	020 7501 9966
Streatham	Boots Opticians	6 Astoria Parade SW16 1PR	020 8769 1030
Vauxhall	Medirex Opticians	28-29 Wilcox Close SW8 2UD	020 7622 1893
West Norwood	London Eye Care Centre	30 Knights Hill SE27 0HY	020 8670 1845
West Norwood	R Woodfall Opticians	286 Norwood Road SE27 9AF	020 8670 4100

Lewisham

Catford	Boots Opticians	125 Rushey Green SE6 4AA	020 8697 4717
Crofton Park	Crofton Park Opticians	384 Brockley Road SE4 2BY	020 8692 8335
Deptford	The Sight Centre	78 Deptford High Street, SE8 4RT	020 8691 5500
Forest Hill	Kassford Opticians	50 London Road SE23 3HF	020 8699 3196
Sydenham	R Woodfall Opticians	6 Sydenham Road SE26 5QW	020 8778 4557

For more information, or for an up to date list of participating optometrists please visit - www.lslloc.org