

# Ophthalmology referrals

Presentation	1 - Inform Ophthalmologist on call	2 - Needs to be seen by ophthalmologist	3 = Ophthalmologist opinion warranted	4 – Can be seen electively	5- Not Urgent
<b>Trauma</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chemical injury</li> <li>Penetrating injury</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lid laceration <b>involving</b> eye lid margin</li> <li>Blunt trauma</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Corneal abrasions</li> <li>Corneal foreign bodies (FB)</li> </ul>		
<b>Vision</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sudden complete loss of vision &lt; 6hrs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sudden loss of vision or visual field &lt; 12hrs (resolved, / unresolved)</li> <li>Post-op &lt; 2/52 – loss of vision</li> <li>Sudden onset flashes &amp; Floaters with prev. risk factors (myopia / tear / RD family history, post-operative) <b>or</b> Sudden onset flashes &amp; floaters with visual disturbance</li> <li>Sudden onset <b>binocular</b> Diplopia (new /sudden /worse)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gradual loss of vision &lt; 2 weeks</li> <li>Flashes &amp; floaters for a few weeks with no visual disturbance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gradual loss of vision <math>\geq</math> 2/52</li> <li>Any Asymptomatic retinal pathology – ( peripheral degeneration, retinal naevus)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gradual loss of vision <math>\geq</math> 2/52</li> <li>Any Asymptomatic retinal pathology – ( peripheral degeneration, retinal naevus)</li> </ul>
<b>Pain</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pain &gt; 5</li> <li>No relief from oral analgesia</li> <li>With nausea and vomiting</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pain (&lt;4) but with Photophobia</li> <li>Post-op pain &lt; 2/52</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mild sore eyes with no redness or vision problems</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mild sore eyes with no redness or vision problems</li> </ul>
<b>Headache</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With sudden loss of vision</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Painful scalp, Brow pain,</li> <li>Acute vision loss with painful temples &amp; jaw claudication (? GCA in patients over the age of 50 years)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tender temples with <b>NO visual loss</b> (? GCA) – urgent referral to rheumatologist</li> </ul>		
<b>Lids / Facial</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ptosis with III nerve palsy and headaches</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Acute</b> onset droopy lid (ptosis)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HZO - Swollen lids</li> <li>Swollen lid with red eye or cellulitis</li> <li>Acute dacryocystitis</li> </ul>	<p><b>Non resolving :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chalazion - advise lid hygiene and/or refer to clinic</li> <li>Blepharitis - follow guidelines –self treat &amp; lubricants</li> <li>Allergic - anti histamine and see GP</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chalazion - advise lid hygiene and/or refer to clinic</li> <li>Blepharitis –lid hygiene &amp; lubricants</li> <li>Allergic - anti histamine and see GP</li> </ul>
<b>Cornea / Conjunctiva</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cloudy, Red (with severe pain) &amp; photophobia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hazy cornea</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Non resolving “conjunctivitis” treated by GP</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Non</b> traumatic Sub conj hemorrhage - , GP for BP check</li> <li>Bacterial / viral conjunctivitis</li> </ul>
<b>Pediatric</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unwell, pyrexial, swollen lids</li> <li>- D/w Casualty Dr, Liaise with Peadiatric A&amp;E</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Absent red reflex /white pupil</li> <li>Papilledema (bilateral optic nerve swelling) <b>with</b> headaches &amp; visual obscuration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Suspected disc swelling with NO symptoms</li> </ul>		
<b>Post-op</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderate pain, Loss of vision</li> <li>Profuse bleeding</li> </ul>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Symptoms &gt; 6/12 GP to refer OP or see Optician first</li> <li>Issues with Patient’s drops</li> </ul>
<b>Other</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Acutely unwell adult with ocular symptoms, swollen</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>IOP &gt;40 mmHg</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Painless IOP elevation 30 to 40 mmHg</li> <li>Abnormal pupil</li> </ul>		