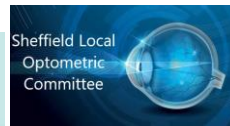




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## Doncaster- Minor Eyecare Condition Service (MECS)



**Who to Refer / Signpost** - patients registered with a GP in Doncaster. Adults and children aged 5 years and over.

### Eye problems, including but not limited to:

Itchy eye, Gritty eye	Mild pain or discomfort in the eye
Cysts, lumps and bumps in eyelids	Non-acute red eye / eyelids (irritation or inflammation)
Dry eye	Non-specific field defects
Emergency contact lens removal	Significant recent sticky discharge from the eye or watery eye
Foreign body in the eye	Systemic disease
Ingrown eyelash Flashes and floaters	Unexplained loss of vision including sudden onset of blurred vision

### **X** What is NOT Covered by MECS

Any eye condition that is being regularly monitored by your optometrists or hospital eye service, this will not be covered by this service, for example, cataracts, diabetic retinopathy or glaucoma. **Eye problems excluded but not limited to:-**

Acute Glaucoma	Orbital cellulitis
Cataracts requiring surgery	Penetrating trauma
Chalazia requiring surgery	Problems arising from recent surgery
Children 's Pre-School Vision Screening	Severe pain requiring immediate attention
Emergencies such as chemical / burns / industrial injuries	Sudden loss / dramatic reduction in vision in one eye
Long term conditions or severe eye conditions requiring immediate hospital interventions.	Sudden onset double vision
Ocular Hypertension Intraocular Pressure Referral Refinement	Temporal arteritis

### How to Refer / Signpost

Referrals into the service may come through any of the following routes:

- Self-referral to the service via triage line (Evolutio telephone triage line 0800 112 0070 Or MECS practice of their choice.
- Referral or signposting via GP (Care Navigation)
- Referral from another ophthalmic practitioner who does not provide the service
- Other referral sources may include Minor Injuries Unit / Community Pharmacists.

Please note this list is not exhaustive.



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## Optometrist Triage and where necessary onward referral

On telephoning the Practice, patient is asked questions about symptoms to access how quickly they need to be seen, **either within 24hrs or a few working days**. This assessment maybe virtual or face to face assessment will be arranged if deemed necessary.

If the patient is not suitable to be seen by a participating practice, the patient is referred for onward management. **The registered GP is informed on outcome of MECS assessment or onward referral.**

The Minor Eye Care Condition Service (MECS) **is not a same day walk in service**, all patients are triaged prior to being seen.

Appointments are usually offered on the same day, but may be scheduled for the following day, depending on availability.

**The service is available to:** Adults and children aged 5 years and over registered with a Doncaster GP. Please note: children under 17 must be accompanied by an adult.

Practice Name	Address	Post Code	Tel Number
Edwards & Walker Opticians	16 Priory Place, Doncaster.	DN1 1BZ	01302 349 193
Priority Eyecare	16 Scot Lane, Doncaster.	DN1 1ES	01302 344 569
Cotler & Bell Opticians	27 St Sepulchre Gate, Doncaster.	DN1 1TD	01302 323 619
Specsavers Opticians	9 St Sepulchre Gate Doncaster.	DN1 1TD	01302 326 557
Parkhurst Opticians	21 Printing Office Street, Doncaster.	DN1 1TZ	01302 369 744
Specsavers Opticians - Armthorpe	Unit 2, Mill Street, Doncaster.	DN3 3DL	01302 302 327
Parkhurst Opticians - Bentley	110 High Street, Bentley, Doncaster.	DN5 0AT	01302 874 433
Moorhouse Opticians - Askern	16 station Road, Askern, Doncaster.	DN6 0JA	01302 700 425
Parkhurst Opticians - Thorne	92 King Street, Thorne, Doncaster.	DN8 5BA	01405 740 095
Bell Brothers - Thorne	23 Finkle Street, Thorne, Doncaster.	DN8 5DE	01405 812 209
Specsavers Opticians - Thorne	4 Market Place, Thorne, Doncaster.	DN8 5DW	01405 801061
Abbey Eyewear - Tickhill	3 Castlegate, Tickhill, Doncaster.	DN11 9QP	01302 750 250
Specsavers Opticians Mexborough	16, 18 York St, Mexborough.	S64 9DG	01709 573 010
Parkhurst Opticians Mexborough	1 Lower Dolcliffe Road, Mexborough.	S64 9NU	01709 582 315
Moorhouse Opticians Mexborough	55 Bank Street, Mexborough.	S64 9QD	01709 582 093

