

**Freedom of Information Request – 4463**

Dear James Paget University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust,

- 1) During 2017/18 financial year what is your total number of new patient and follow up episodes within the Orthoptic Department?

Specialty	Follow Up	New	Follow Up Ratio
130 - Ophthalmology	2,279	175	13.0
216 - Paediatric Ophthalmology	1,400	613	2.3
420 - Paediatrics	5	0	Infinity
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,684</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>4.7</b>

- 2) Please advise of your Orthoptic Department Structure, please indicate bands and WTE's

8a x 1  
7 x 0.2  
5 x 1

- 3) Does your Orthoptic Department carry out any of the below specialist clinics? Yes or no and who carries out these clinics?

- a) Low Vision – *not specifically Orthoptic but within eye clinic*
- b) Literacy Difficulties – *not specifically*
- c) Stroke – *as necessary*
- d) Paediatric Contact Lens – *not Orthoptic but have contact lens clinic*
- e) Adult Contact Lens – *As above*
- f) General Adult – *Yes, see adult patients on specific code*
- g) General Paediatric – *yes, see paediatric patients on specific code*

- 4) What is the allocated orthoptic appointment slot time for new and follow up appointments for the following clinics (in minutes)?

- a) Low Vision – *Not Orthoptic*
- b) Literacy Difficulties – *20 mins for a child*
- c) Stroke – *40 mins for adult*
- d) Paediatric Contact Lens – *not Orthoptic*
- e) Adult Contact Lens – *not Orthoptic*
- f) General Adult – *40 mins*
- g) General Paediatric – *20 mins*

- 5) Please can you provide the tariff your receive for the below subspecialities, new and follow up, please indicate if multi-disciplined (excluding market force factors)?

- a) Low Vision
- b) Literacy Difficulties
- c) Stroke
- d) Paediatric Contact Lens
- e) Adult Contact Lens
- f) General Adult
- g) General Paediatric

*Orthoptics does not attract a national and is covered via a block payment each year, however as per the answer for Q3 and Q4 where the answer is 'not Orthoptic' these will be within and receive the national tariff published by NHSI here <https://improvement.nhs.uk/resources/national-tariff-1719/>*

- 6) **Do you employ Optometrists who carry out refraction in your paediatric doctor led clinics?**  
*Yes*
- 7) **Do you have a clinical pathway for patients to be refracted within high street opticians?**  
*No*
- 8) **If you refract the patient do high street opticians invoice you via the Hospital Eye Services Prescription Scheme?**  
*Yes*
- a) **If yes, do you claim this money back from Clinical Commissioning Groups or NHS England or part of tariff?**  
*This would be part of national tariff and covered within the monthly billing process to Clinical Commissioning Groups.*
- 9) **What is your first line of treatment for occlusion? Eg Atropine/patching?**  
*Usually patching*
- 10) **As part of your tariff do you provide any of the following aids/equipment?**
- a) **Prisms** - *yes*
  - b) **Planos** - *yes when we have them available*
  - c) **Reusable occlusion patches (Fabric)** - *yes*
  - d) **Daily occlusion Patches (Sticky)** - *yes*
  - e) **Magnifier x 2** - *yes*
  - f) **LED Magnifier x 3** - *yes*
  - g) **LED Magnifier x 4 and above** - *yes*
  - h) **Pocket Magnifiers x 3.5** - *yes*
  - i) **Lanyards for pocket Magnifier** *no*
  - j) **Other Magnifiers please list**  
*bar magnifier 1.8x, bar magnifier 2x, bi-convex 2x, brightfield magnifier, close up monoc x7, hand magnifier, coil hand magnifier 2.3x, coil stand magnifier 3x, coil stand magnifier 4x, coil ½ eye 10D, hand held 6D, hand held 8D, hand held 5x.*
  - k) **TV Glasses** *yes*
  - l) **UV filter glasses** *yes*
  - m) **Hobby Magnifiers** *yes*
  - n) **Replacement for broken Magnifiers** *yes*
  - o) **Tinted glasses for visual stress** *no*
  - p) **Replacement for broken tinted glasses for visual stress** *no*
  - q) **Any other**
- 11) **Do patients pay or financially contribute for any of the following aids/equipment?**
- a) **Prisms** *no*
  - b) **Planos** *yes*
  - c) **Reusable occlusion patches (Fabric)** *no*
  - d) **Daily occlusion Patches (Sticky)** *no*
  - e) **Magnifier x 2** *no*
  - f) **LED Magnifier x 3** *no*

- g) LED Magnifier x 4 and above *no*
- h) Pocket Magnifiers x 3.5 *no*
- i) Lanyards for pocket Magnifier *no*
- j) Other Magnifiers please list *no*
- k) TV Glasses *no*
- l) UV filter glasses *no*
- m) Hobby Magnifiers *no*
- n) Replacement for broken Magnifiers *no*
- o) Tinted glasses for visual stress *n/a*
- p) Replacement for broken tinted glasses for visual stress *n/a*
- q) Any other

12) Do you provide any of the following aids/equipment on a patient loan scheme?

- a) Prisms *no*
- b) Planos *no*
- c) Reusable occlusion patches (Fabric) *no*
- d) Daily occlusion Patches (Sticky) *no*
- e) Magnifier x 2 *yes*
- f) LED Magnifier x 3 *yes*
- g) LED Magnifier x 4 and above *yes*
- h) Pocket Magnifiers x 3.5 *yes*
- i) Lanyards for pocket Magnifier *no*
- j) Other Magnifiers please list
- k) TV Glasses *yes*
- l) UV filter glasses *yes*
- m) Hobby Magnifiers *yes*
- n) Replacement for broken Magnifiers *yes*
- o) Tinted glasses for visual stress *no*
- p) Replacement for broken tinted glasses for visual stress *no*
- q) Any other

#### Low vision

13) What is your clinical referral criteria for your low vision service eg vision 6/12 or worse? *Having a visual impairment*

#### Literacy Difficulties

14) Do you provide colorimetry assessment as part of your literacy difficulties service? *No*