

Central Mersey Local Optical Committee

Direct Referrals to St Helens & Knowsley NHS Trust

Routine referrals:

Routine referrals cannot be sent via fax, but may be posted direct to:

Patient Booking Services
Whiston Hospital
Warrington Rd
Whiston
L35 5DR

To track progress or for enquiries, phone: 0151 430 1234

If you have an NHS email address, you can email: appointmentssthk@nhs.net

Urgent Referrals:

The phone number for the triage service is 01744 646136/646137

You can still fax urgent referrals direct to St Helens Eye Department on 01744 646132

If you have an NHS email address, you can email: ophthalmology.triage@sthk.nhs.uk

AMD referrals:

You can still fax AMD referrals direct to Kerri Maguire, the AMD co-ordinator, at St Helens Eye Department on 01744 646132. To track progress or for enquiries, phone 01744 646133

If you have an NHS email address, you can email Kerri on: kerri.Maguire@sthk.nhs.uk

Same Day Referrals

Patients with conditions requiring very urgent attention, such as retinal tear/detachment/Angle closure are best sent to St Pauls Eye unit at the Royal Liverpool hospital, who run an Emergency Eye Clinic from 8am to 8pm Monday to Sunday. Ring 0151 706 3949 in advance, hand the patient a copy of the referral letter to take with them.

In all cases, copy your correspondence to the GP, for information only. Referrals sent via email should be GOS18 or headed paper and sent as a PDF.