**Community Ophthalmology Service (Worcestershire Only) – New Provider**

Following a competitive tender process to procure the existing consultant led Community Ophthalmology Service (COS) in Worcestershire the contract was awarded to Community Health & Eyecare (CHEC) from 1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024. The current provider is Operose Health.

The Worcestershire three-tier service remains in place.

**Tier 1** – Enhanced Optometry Service commissioned from local Optometrists – **Primary Eyecare Service**

**Tier 2** – Consultant Led Community Ophthalmology Service, providing MECS plus stable glaucoma management (appendix one) – **CHEC**

**Tier 3** – Hospital Eye Services **(provided by NHS and IS secondary care).**

To ensure the transition of patients to the new provider with little disruption, CHEC will accept referrals from 20th February 2023. Referrals will be triaged by CHEC and urgent patients will be onward referred to Operose. All routine patients will be booked into a clinic with CHEC from 1st April 2023.

**Appendix One**

Examples of conditions included as part of the Service, although not exhaustive or definitive are detailed below (and may be varied from time to time):

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| **Eyelids, orbit** | **Retina** | **Cornea** |
| * Trichasis * Meibomian gland dysfunction * Blepharitis * Allergies * Eczema * Cysts * Concretions * Epiphora * Dry Eyes * Dacrocystitis * Strabismus | * Pigmented abnormalities * Dry AMD * Vein occlusion * Retinal break * Disc anomaly * Schisis * Macular hole * Retinochisis * Epirentinal membrane | * Recurrent erosion syndrome * Dry eye * Keratitis * Endothelial abnormality * Dystrophy |
| **Anterior chamber** | **Iris** | **Vitreous** |
| * Anterior uveitis | * Pupil abnormalities * Posterior synechiae | * Non acute Flashes and Floaters * Posterior vitreous detachment * Opacities |
| **Glaucoma** | **Conjunctiva, sclera** |  |
| * Raised IOP * Visual field loss * Cupped disc * Narrow angle * Gonioscopy * Pigment dispersion syndrome * Pseudo exfoliation | * Inflammation * Pinguecula * Pterygium * Cysts * Episcleritis, scleritis |  |