

Eye care services

Information for patients

NHS funded sight tests are available in this practice

NHS funded sight tests and optical voucher entitlements

You qualify for a free NHS funded sight test if you are:

- **Aged under 16**
- **Aged 16,17 or 18 in full time education**
- **Aged 60 or over**
- **Diagnosed with diabetes or glaucoma**
- **Considered to be at risk of glaucoma** (as advised by an ophthalmologist)
- **Aged 40 or over and the parent, brother, sister, son or daughter of a person diagnosed with glaucoma**
- **Registered blind or partially sighted**
- **Eligible for an NHS Complex Lens Voucher** (your optician will advise on your entitlement)
- **Claiming Benefit** (Income Support, Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Income-based Employment and Support Allowance, Pension Credit Guarantee Credit or receiving Tax Credits or Universal Credit and meeting qualifying conditions)**On a low income and named on a valid HC2 (full help) or HC3 (partial help) certificate**
- **A prisoner being seen outside prison**
- You are the patient and **cannot attend practice unaccompanied** for Sight Test

You qualify for an optical voucher which provides financial help towards the cost of your spectacles or contact lenses if you are:

- **Aged under 16**
- **Aged 16, 17 or 18 in full time education**
- **Eligible for an NHS Complex Lens Voucher** (your optician will advise on your entitlement)
- **Claiming Benefit** (Income Support, Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Income-based Employment and Support Allowance, Pension Credit Guarantee Credit or receiving Tax Credits or Universal Credit and meeting qualifying conditions)
- **On a low income and named on a valid HC2 (full help) or HC3 (partial help) certificate**
- **A prisoner being seen outside prison**

Exceptions

- **Patients must reside in the UK for 9 months of the year to receive a NHS Funded Sight Test. This rule applies even if the patient suffers from Glaucoma or Diabetes or has a family history of Glaucoma.**
- **Home schooled children are NOT entitled to a NHS Funded Sight Test.**