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Eye Health Examination Wales



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Eye Health Examination Wales (EHEW) Service – New Manual. Implementation date 1st August 2018

Dear Colleague,

I am pleased to announce a new version of the EHEW service manual. The manual will come into operation on **Wednesday 1st August** after which time you must adhere to the protocols and guidelines contained within. Until then please use the previous manual.

Following feedback the new manual has been extensively re-written so that protocols subject to PPV reclaims are clearly outlined. There are other changes, some of which are highlighted in a joint communication from Optometry Wales and the EHEW service. This information is also attached. Please note this is not a substitute for reading the manual and we recommend you become familiar with the new manual before its implementation.

There is also a new WECS 2 form for informing/ referring to the GP. This form can be ordered in the usual way from NHS Shared Services Partnership (SSP), Ophthalmic.SE@wales.nhs.uk.

There is also a new version of the patient cataract questionnaire included within the manual. This questionnaire will be officially launched in the near future, once the Welsh version has been tested. Until that time, please continue with the previous CatQuest 9SF cataract patient questionnaire.

Please note that the General Ophthalmic Services will be unaffected by the new EHEW service.

Further information and downloads of forms and the new manual can be found in the professional section of the eyecare wales website at <http://www.eyecare.wales.nhs.uk/ehew>. The new manual is also available to view at <http://www.optometrywales.org.uk/>.

If you have a question about the service please contact WECS@cardiff.ac.uk.

Thank you for your continue support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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