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Cataract post op in primary care

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The past



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Action on Cataracts (2000)

Some PCTs commissioned primary care optometrists to deliver cataract referral refinement including patient counselling and choice

GOOD PRACTICE

Rectangular Snip

Action on Cataracts

Good Practice Guidance



NHS
Executive

Pre and Post Op
Cataract pathway
first launched in 2008

LOCSU Community Services

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Pre- and Post-Operative Cataract Community Service Pathway

Issued by
Local Optical Committee Support Unit
December 2008

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Primary Eye Care Framework



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Clinical Council
for Eye Health
Commissioning
Framework
launched in 2016

CLINICAL COUNCIL
FOR EYE HEALTH COMMISSIONING

Primary Eye Care Framework for first contact care
June 2016

The Way Forward (2017)



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Predicted an increase of around 50% in cataract operations over the next 20 years (25% increase over the next 10 years)



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The Way Forward

Options to help meet demand
for the current and future care of
patients with eye disease

Cataract

The Way Forward (2017)

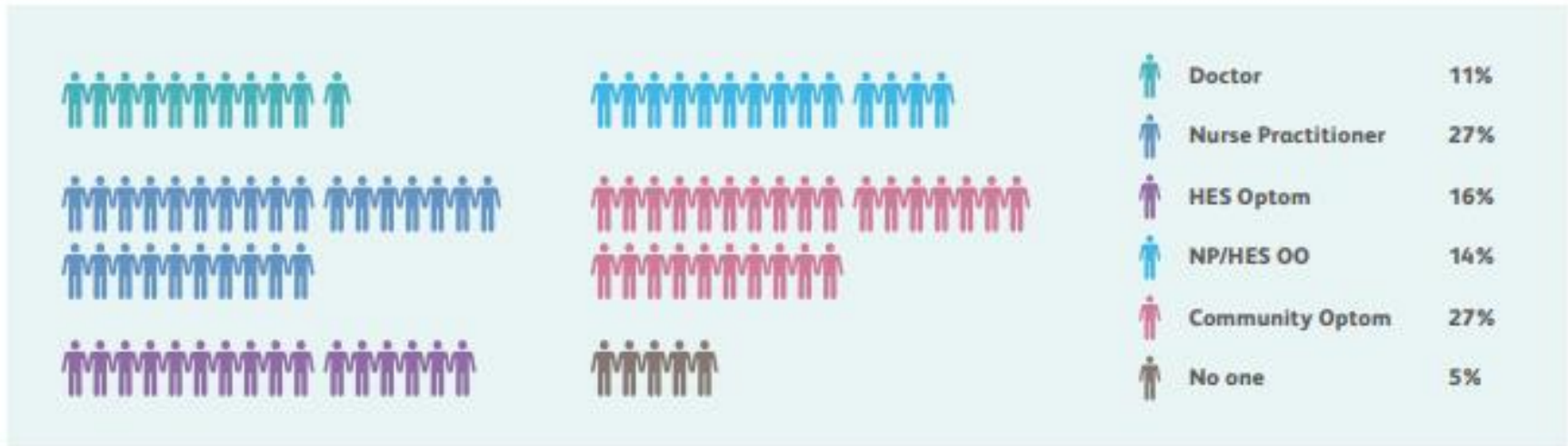


Fig 9: Who sees routine post-ops?

“More than a quarter of departments reported discharging patients straight from theatre after uncomplicated surgery to community optometry; half of these using the standard GOS, but half having this service attract an enhanced tariff.”

1.9 *Postoperative assessment*

1.9.1 Commissioners and service providers should ensure that the following are in place:

- Processes that identify complications after surgery and ensure that there is prompt access to specialist ophthalmology services.
- Processes to ensure that the UK Minimum Cataract Dataset for National Audit is completed.
- Arrangements so that healthcare professionals discuss second-eye cataract surgery with people who have a cataract in their non-operated eye.

1.9.2 Consider collecting patient visual function and quality-of-life data for entry into an electronic dataset.

1.9.3 Do not offer in-person, first-day review to people after uncomplicated cataract surgery.

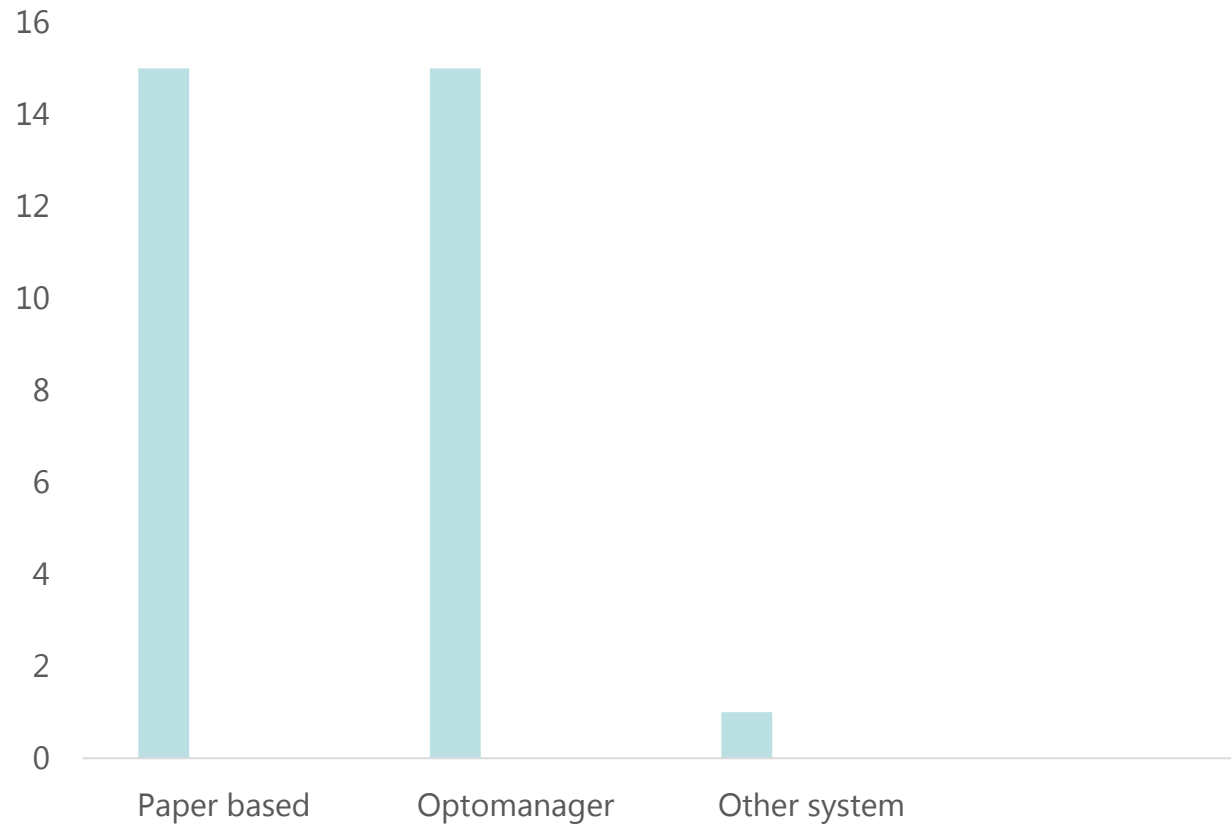
Primary care post op

Commissioned post op services

- 31 contracts
- 64 CCGs
- 28 Acute Trusts

Primary care post op

Patient Record System



Pipeline services

Written intent to commission

- 15 CCGs covering 10 Trusts

In discussion

- 29 CCGs covering 20 Trusts

Patient centred pathways

Principles

- Right Care
- Reduction in appointments
- Convenient
- Cost effective

Commissioning standards



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- NICE compliant
 - including collection of national audit data
- Communication between primary care and HES
- Governance and audit embedded
- Time to get rid of paper

Professional influence



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- Collaboration between ophthalmology and optometry is key to influencing commissioners
- Acute Trusts and LOCs should be working together (via LEHN?)
- Royal College of Ophthalmologists and LOCSU working with EPR providers



Thank you