Referral Pathways Broomfield Hospital

Condition	Form	Referral Method
Emergency	LOC referral form	Monday - Friday 08:00-18:00 - Call 07920132399 then email mse.emergency.eyeclinic@nhs.net using NHS mail Outside of these hours (and bank holidays) - please call the main switchboard on 01245 362000 and ask for Ophthalmology on call.
Urgent	LOC referral form	Use NHS mail to email referral to mse.urgentophthalmologybroomfield@nhs.net Inboxes are managed Monday to Friday 8am to 4pm.
Routine	LOC referral form	Use NHS mail to email referral to mse.eyecarehub@nhs.net
IOP >23	LOC referral form	Refer direct to practitioner on GRR scheme via LOC referral form. Details of participating practices & restrictions at: http://primary-eyecare.co.uk/enhanced-optometric-services.php
MECS	LOC referral form	Refer to practitioner on MECs scheme via LOC referral form. Patients can self-refer or present having been sign-posted by any health care provider. Details of participating practices & conditions at: http://primary-eyecare.co.uk/enhanced-optometric-services.php
Paediatrics	LOC referral form	Refer direct to accredited Optometrist. Use NHS mail to email to mse.eyecarehubpaeds@nhs.net if referring to the HES
Wet AMD	LOC referral form	No specialised pathway. Follow Emergency route as above, and mark as Urgent. Spa Medica (Chelmsford/Romford) accept AMD referrals via spamedica.referrals@nhs.net
Cataract	LOC referral form	Refer routinely via mse.eyecarehubcataractbroomfield@nhs.net Referral must state if the patient wishes to have the operation. You can also refer NHS patients to spa medica via nhs email to spamedica.referrals@nhs.net or to Springfield at RHC.springfield-NHScoordinators@nhs.net.
Post Op Cataract Service	Electronically via Opera system	Emergency referrals: speak to on call Ophthalmologist as above. If appropriate, second eye / routine referrals done through OPERA.

Electronic referrals directly to the hospital are advised via the electronic referral platform. Please contact the LOC for details.

In all cases you should choose the best referral pathway for your patient.

LOC Referral form available on LOC website at: http://essex-loc.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Ophthalmology-referral-pro-forma.pdf