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
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 enquiries@essex-loc.org 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