





# Coming to Scarborough hospital to see the Orthoptist in outpatients



Information for patients, relatives and carers

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If you have a learning disability and need support with your appointment please contact the Learning Disability Liaison Nurses:



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Your GP or Optician has referred you to the hospital to see a more specialist eye doctor



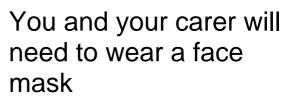
This appointment is in the Eye Department in Outpatients



Your carer can come with you





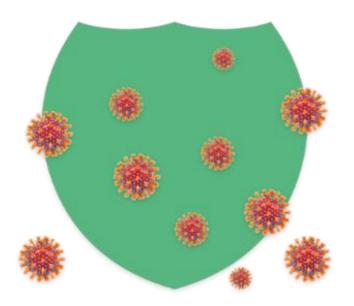




## A nurse will meet you at the Outpatients door



They will be wearing special clothes



This is to keep everyone safe



They will take your temperature



This does not touch you



They will ask if you have had a cough, temperature or have lost your smell or taste



Tell the staff at the desk that you are here

They will tell you where to go

### **Eye Clinic**

This is the sign for the eye clinic where you need to go



You can only walk through Outpatients one way

There are signs to show you





The nurse will meet you



You will sit down to wait in the waiting area



If you need a quiet place to wait we have a room you can use

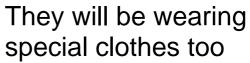


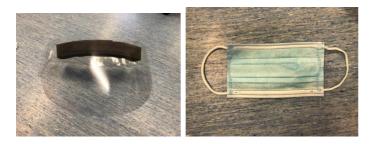
We also have colouring, games or a DVD player if you would like to use these while you wait



### The Orthoptist will call your name









You will go into the Orthoptist's room

Your carer can go with you



Your carer can come with you



They will ask you some questions

Your carer can help you to answer



They will want to check your eye sight

They will cover one of your eyes so they can check each eye on its own



If you can read letters you will be tested with this chart



or you can point to the matching letter on a card



If you cannot read letters you can say what the pictures are



The Orthoptist will test one eye at a time

They will cover the other eye



The Orthoptist will ask you to look at a torch and follow it with your eyes



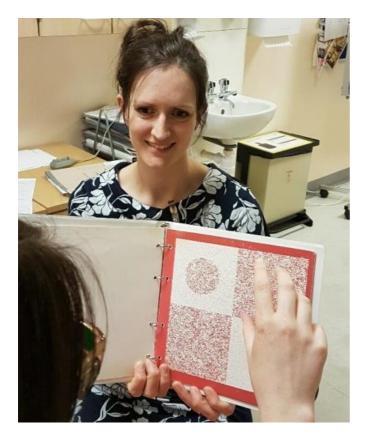
You will need to look at something very small and close up



A prism will be put in front of your eye to check if your eyes point in the same direction as each other



You will be given special glasses with 1 with a red filter and 1 with a green filter



When you have the glasses on you might be able to see in 3D



The Orthoptist will tell you what will happen next

#### Tell us what you think of this leaflet

We hope that you found this leaflet helpful. If you would like to tell us what you think, please contact Karen Pearce or Jo Blades from the Learning Disability Liaison Team, telephone 07917 184 539 or 07795 126 473 or email karen.pearce@york.nhs.uk or jo.blades@york.nhs.uk

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