

Patient Information

Eye Unit

Eye surgery: Day case - Local anaesthetic

You will be admitted for your eye surgery soon.

Please attend the **1st Floor Theatre Suite – Ophthalmic Day Unit, University Hospital, Coventry.**

Date.....

Time.....

- Please have something light to eat and drink, and take your medication as normal before you leave home.
- Please have a bath or shower before admission.
- Please wear clean loose-fitting clothing.
- Do not wear makeup or nail varnish.
- Do not bring valuables with you - the hospital cannot be responsible for their safety.

Things to bring with you

- Medication
- Eye drops
- Glasses



Pre-op assessment Nurse

Special instructions

- Your eye will probably be covered by a pad after the operation. You may be unable to wear your glasses.
- Please bring with you the contact phone numbers of the person taking you home.
- Please arrange to be collected before 5.30pm. The Ophthalmic Day Unit closes at this time.
- Do not bring large amounts of money with you into hospital.
- Operations are planned for morning or afternoon sessions. This will determine your arrival time at the unit.
- Do not wear any jewellery apart from a wedding ring/band.
- Do not drive or use public transport - ambulances are only available for medical need.
- If possible, it is advisable to have someone stay overnight.
- You will be given instructions on removing the eye pad and cleaning the eye. You will also be given advice on treatment.

Useful contact numbers

Pre-op Assessment Nurse: 024 7696 6352
(Mon – Fri 9am – 5pm)

Ophthalmic day unit: 024 7696 5923
(Mon – Fri 7.30am - 5.30pm)

The Trust has access to interpreting and translation services. If you need this information in another language or format, please contact us 024 7696 6612 and we will do our best to meet your needs.

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Emergency Eye Appointments: New Booking System

If you have an urgent eye problem, you can now book an on-the-day telephone consultation via the Eye Emergency Referral Service (EERS).



Scan the QR code or visit uhcw.nhs.uk and search Eye Emergency Referral Service. The section How to Access our Services will take you to a link to book a telephone consultation.

You will be spoken to by an expert clinician who will give you specialist advice on the next steps to take.

Please provide a phone number which you can be contacted on for the consultation. Please also be aware that you will be phoned as close to the allotted time as possible, although at busy times unfortunately there may be a delay.

In the event that you feel you cannot wait to speak to someone or do not have online access then you may call 0247 696 4800.

This phone line is open 9am - 1pm; 1.30pm - 5pm (Monday - Friday, excluding bank holidays) and 9am - 12pm (Saturday).

In the event of an eye emergency out of hours, please attend the Minor Injuries Unit/Emergency Department.

Please only attend the Eye Outpatient department if you have had a telephone consultation in advance and have been advised to attend.