

Cataracts in adults: management

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	presented in the short version and any comments you may have on the evidence presented in the full version. We would also welcome views on the Equality Impact Assessment. We would like to hear your views on these questions: 1. Which areas will have the biggest impact on practice and be challenging to implement? Please say for whom and why. 2. Would implementation of any of the draft recommendations have significant cost implications? 3. What would help users overcome any challenges? (For example, existing practical resources or national initiatives, or examples of good practice.) 4. [Insert any specific questions about the recommendations from the Developer, or delete if not needed]				
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General comments				The Royal Pharmaceutical Society would like to highlight the role of the pharmacist in the management of cataracts in adults.
				Community pharmacists are ideally placed as the first point of contact to the public to offer advice and information on managing cataracts. This includes supply of information leaflets and signposting to resources. They can offer advice to patients, their families and carers. They can offer advice and information as part of a consultation, Medicines Use Review, or advice when selling over-the-counter products.
				1. Referral for diagnosis Pharmacists are in a position to refer patients presenting to the pharmacy with possible symptoms of cataracts (such as reduction in vision, blurred vision, halos around lights etc.) to their GP or optometrist.
				2. Advice before surgery Advice on what to expect from the surgery and medicines for use after the surgery. Advice on any other medicines they are already taking which may increase the risk of surgery such as anticoagulants.
				3. Advice after surgery Can advise on use of medicines after surgery e.g. eye drops and pain management. If have symptoms after surgery which indicate complications such as vision changes, pharmacists are in a position to refer patients promptly to specialist ophthalmology services

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		Lifestyle advice to reduce risk of developing age related cataracts: Lifestyle factors such as tobacco smoking and high alcohol intake are associated with an increased risk of developing age related cataracts. Pharmacists routinely offer patients lifestyle advice to promote healthy living and smoking cessation services.
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