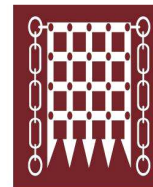


**Westminster Health Forum Keynote Seminar:
Improving eye care in England - commissioning, integration and priorities
for preventing eye disease**

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 15th October 2015

Venue: Royal Over-Seas League, Over-Seas House, Park Place, St James's Street, London SW1A 1LR



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Low of Dalston, Vice President, RNIB and President, Visionary
- 9.05 - 9.35 **The Five Year Forward View: progress in commissioning eye care services**
Dr David Geddes, Head of Primary Care Commissioning, NHS England
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 - 9.45 **The developing role of local eye health networks in promoting collaboration and meeting demand**
Claire Roberts, Chair, Local Eye Health Network, NHS England West Midlands
- 9.45 - 9.55 **National leadership and providing evidence-based clinical advice for commissioners**
David Parkins, President, The College of Optometrists; Chair, London Eye Health Network and Chair, Clinical Council for Eye Health Commissioning
- 9.55 - 10.10 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.10 - 10.55 **Integrating eye health services at a local level: service delivery, rehabilitation and the Care Act**
Following the launch of NHS England's new models of care vanguard sites, how can Local Optical Committees best work with commissioners, clinicians and other eye health professionals to provide better integrated care? How can challenges in delivering new responsibilities in the Care Act, such as new statutory requirements to provide rehabilitation support, be overcome by local authorities? What more should be done to improve data-sharing in eye care in order to support service improvement? What opportunities exist for the third sector to improve integrated, patient-led care and eliminate avoidable blindness by 2020? What are the next steps for improving the framework for Clinical Commissioning Groups to better commission eye health services?
Mercy Jeyasingham, Chief Executive Officer, VISION 2020 UK
Dr Declan Flanagan, Medical Director, Moorfields Eye Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
Katrina Venerus, Managing Director, Local Optical Committee Support Unit
Professor Janet Marsden, Professor of Ophthalmology and Emergency Care, Manchester Metropolitan University and Fellow, RCN
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.55 - 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord Low of Dalston, Vice President, RNIB and President, Visionary
- 11.00 - 11.25 Coffee
- 11.25 - 11.30 **Chair's opening remarks**
Dr Tania Mathias MP
- 11.30 - 12.05 **Improving outcomes for patients with eye conditions**
Professor Harminder Dua, Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, University of Nottingham
Dr Waqaar Shah, Clinical Champion for Eye Health, Royal College of General Practitioners and Chair, Macular Degeneration Committee, NICE
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.05 - 12.15 **The future for community-based eye care**
Ben Fletcher, Managing Director, Boots Opticians
- 12.15 - 12.25 **Regulating the optical sector in the context of rapid innovation and an ageing, diversifying population**
Samantha Peters, Chief Executive and Registrar, General Optical Council
- 12.25 - 12.35 **Challenges for research and building partnerships**
Julian Jackson, Senior Advisor, Fight for Sight
- 12.35 - 12.50 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.50 - 12.55 **Next steps for improving eye health**
Dr David Geddes, Head of Primary Care Commissioning, NHS England
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks**
Dr Tania Mathias MP
Sam Dolton, Associate Producer, Westminster Health Forum