Context and Background

Request by HON to provide a draft risk detailing actions needed and rationale for scoring in relation to patients on a partial booking list

Background

There is currently a nationally reported issue of high rates of ophthalmology patients not receiving follow up appointments within the clinically indicated (safe) time. The predicted rise in patient numbers means that more patients will be at risk of losing their sight. There is a portfolio of national programs relating primarily to acute ophthalmology, such as GIRFT, EyesWise, and the High Impact Intervention. The NHSE High Impact Intervention plan for ophthalmology underpins much of the UHBristol response to this national challenge.

A patient on a partial booking list is recognised as one that requires a follow up outpatient appointment within a specified timeframe but has yet to have been offered any appointment date. Proportions of these patients are overdue for their intended schedule timeframe for follow up and so are identified as delayed.

If ophthalmology appointments are delayed then interventions are not delivered in the required timeframe and so there is a risk that that deterioration in sight may occur and possible blindness particularly for those conditions that require time-sensitive monitoring. Patients that suffer from chronic conditions are at greatest risk and form the largest group of our patients. BEH delivers approx. 25% of Trust outpatient appointments

(For clarity the term partial booking is also used for a system where by patients are invited to call within a 2 week time frame to arrange a mutually convenient date and time for their appointment – this is not the interpretation that applies in this risk)

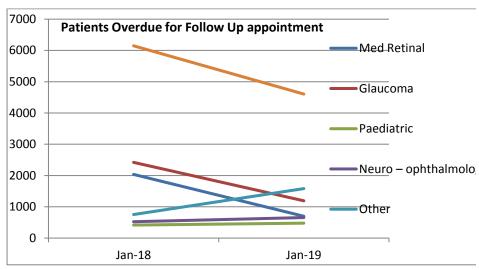
Risk 2631 registered 20/06/18 - Patients will experience irreversible preventable vision loss due to delayed follow up appointments – this is directly related to the risk under discussion and has been updated accordingly rather than create an additional risk

Current Situation 2019

There have been 26 incidents registered as Follow Up appointment delay in 2019 of which 24 appear to be Delayed FU (2 were process issues that did not result in delay)

		Degree of Harm Recorded								
Subspecialty	Total per Sub specially	None	Minor	Moderate	None Near miss					
Optometry / Orthoptist - Joint clinics	8	7	1							
Paediatric joint clinic issues)	4	4								
Paeds	1		1							
Med Ret	8	3	1	3	1					
ED	1	1								
Corneal	1	1								
Glaucoma	1	1								
Totals	24	17	3	3	1					

	(Risk data	June 2 recorded l		Sept 2019 Info Web data				
Patients Overdue for Follow Up appointment	June 2018	Less than 2 months	3-5 months	More than 6 months	Sept 2019	Less than 2 months	3-5 months	More than 6 months
Med Retinal	2036				698	698		
Glaucoma	2421				1192	752	173	267
Paediatric	416				477	232	120	125
Neuro	523				656	346	161	149
Other	753				1582			
Total (Grand total	6149	4152	1495	505	4605	2977	749	879
all Ophth)	Increased in Aug to 6967				1544	1155	746	374



Scoring Rational

Initial risk assessment delivered a score of 16 likely and major

In response

- Additional capacity was delivered to accommodate most urgent demand
- A task group including the hospital manager, clinical director and specialty leads was formed to devise solutions.

Controls in place delivered current risk score of 12 possible and major

• These controls were deemed in adequate and further response has since been delivered see action plan below

With full implementation of all actions in progress Target score of 8 unlikely and major

Rational the possibility of reoccurrence is potentially 5- 25 % chance of annual reoccurrence with a risk of an outcome of major harm

Action required to deliver recommendation	Individual responsible for completing action	Target Date for Completion	Date Completed	Management Committee responsible closing the action.	Evidence that the action has been completed.	Preventative Action Type (See Below)	RAG Rating
BEH Project manager appointed with an objective to deliver NHSE High Impact Interventions: Ophthalmology Specification May 2018 (GIRFT principles)	Surgery Divisional Director	Spring 2019	In post June 2019	Surgery Governance Board	PM in post	Organisational Strategic	
Appoint Failsafe Officer responsible for prioritization processes and polices	BEH AGM	Jan 2019	Aug 2019	BEH Management	Failsafe Officer in Post	Organisational Strategic	
Locum Med Ret cover and WLI Substantive Med Ret Consultant Recruitment	BEH AGM	April 2019	Start Jan 2020	BEH Management	In post	Organisational Strategic	

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Implement NHSE High Impact Intervention Action 1(5 parts) Documented prioritization processes and policies are applied to manage the risk of harm to BEH patients that are identified as delayed to follow up.	[content removed] Project Manager BEH Hand over as BAU to BEH AGM [Content removed]	June 2020 Jan 2020		Surgery Governance Board	Baseline assessment completed by PM July 2019 Action i) – iv) below completed	Organisational Strategic					

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i) Each subspecialty patient group is stratified according to level of risk.Utilising guidance from UKOA, the RcoOphth and EyesWise team	BEH PM / Failsafe officer	Dec 2019		Ophthalmology Governance Group	Risk stratification documentation available by sub specialty	Arrange ready access to Protocols/Policies/Decision Support	
ii) All patients have a specified follow up indicated as an outcome of their appointment	BEH PM / Failsafe officer	Sept 2019		Ophthalmology Governance Group	Spot check outcome forms monthly	Arrange ready access to Protocols/Policies/Decision Support	
iii) All high risk patients have an appointment booked for follow up with in 25% of the time specified	BEH PM / Failsafe officer	June 2020		Ophthalmology Governance Group	Reduction in ODFU numbers to agreed level Achieve NHSE target that patients receive FU within 25% of their target schedule	Tangible measurement of and improvement in Safety Culture	
iv) Patient Cancellations are managed to avoid overdue delay Trust cancellation policy applied	BEH PM / Failsafe officer	Jan 2020		Ophthalmology Governance Group	Cancelation policy evidenced in working practice	Tangible measurement of and improvement in Safety Culture Education and training	
v) Management of patient DNA requiring rebooking. Trust DNA policy applied	BEH PM / Failsafe officer	Jan 2020		Ophthalmology Governance Group	DNA policy evidenced in working practice Documentation on workspace and reference tools accessible at every reception PC	Arrange ready access to Protocols/Policies/Decision Support Education and Training	С

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Implement NHSE High Impact Intervention Action 2 Clinical risk prioritisation audit of existing ophthalmology patients (3 parts)	Project Manager BEH Hand over as BAU to BEH AGM	June 2020 Jan 2020		Surgery Governance Board	Documented audit tool action i) – iii) below complete	Organisational and Strategic Task	
i) Regular administrative review of patients that do not have a follow up appointment	BEH POM / Failsafe officer	Aug 2019	Ongoing daily process of validation in place	BEH Governance Group	RTT Ops Tracker	Education and Training Provision of adequate staff Education/Training	
ii)Regular administrative review and appropriate action for patients that have an appointment to identify if this is overdue,	BEH POM / Failsafe officer	Aug 2019	Ongoing daily process of validation in place	BEH Governance Group	BEH RTT Ops Tracker	Organisational and Strategic Tangible measurement of and improvement in Safety Culture	
ii) Programme of Clinical review of electronic and paper records for each subspecialty	BEH PM / Failsafe officer	Nov 2019		BEH Governance Group	Documented system in place to complete clinical review at agreed interval by sub specialty	Organisational and Strategic Arrange ready access to Protocols/Policies/Decision Support	

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Complete IMAS Modelling to inform demand and capacity planning Respond to known shortfall in capacity corneal, plastics and Paeds	AGM BEH	Nov 2019	Ongoing	Surgery Governance Board	IMAS model in use	Organisational and Strategic				
Split reporting for New and FU patients to ensure clarity and clear management	AGM BEH	Dec 2020		BEH Governance Group	Report developed and accessible	Organisational and Strategic				
Ensure each Subspecialty Meeting responds to FU demand with action plan to address appointment shortfall application of Risk stratification to inform priority	Sub Spec Lead and POM	Full completion Feb 2020 X 2 Sub specialty teams outstanding		BEH Governance Group	Standing item on agenda	Tangible measurement of and improvement in Safety Culture Team and Social				
Incorporate overdue Follow Up appointment management as a standing item in the BEH Governance meeting agenda	AGM and Clinical Gov. Lead	Dec 2019	Dec 2019	BEH Governance Group	Standing item on agenda	Tangible measurement of and improvement in Safety Culture				
Short term provision of WLI as required in response to level of risk until Capacity planning fruition	AGM / POM	Ongoing		BEH Governance Group	WLI direct result in reduction on ODFU on report	Organisational and Strategic				

Actions yet to be implemented

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Implement Electronic Outcome forms across all subspecialties	POM	April 2020		BEH Governance Group	Electronic Outcome forms in use for all specialties in BEH	Organisational and Strategic Task and Resource	
Conversion to Electronic patient records for all subspecialties within BEH (EPR)	AGM	Start date March 2020 completion approx. 6 months form start		BEH Governance Group	No paper records / paper light records	Education and Training Equipment and Resource Organisational and Strategic	
Report developed from Medway to provide our performance against the 25% threshold from Earliest Clinically Appropriate Date.(ECAD) (not currently available)	AGM	Dependency on Medway functionality Once developed time delay to implement one year to transfer from old to new		Trust Performance board	Report developed and Fit for Purpose and in use	Education and Training Equipment and Resource Task Organisational and Strategic	
Expansion of Advanced Nurse Practitioner Role within Sub specialties to increase capacity to accommodate FU demand	Matron / Deputy HON Surgery	Tbc		Surgery Governance Group	New and additional ANPs roles in post	Organisational and Strategic Education and Training Team and Social	