

Sandwell Ophthalmology Services 2008

Consultants

Mr Shashi Aggarwal

General Ophthalmology
Cataract Surgery
Specialist interest: Glaucoma

Mr Jalil Al-Ibrahim

General Ophthalmology
Cataract Surgery
Specialist Interest:
Medical Retina & Diabetic
Retinopathy

Miss Lucy Butler

Specialist Interest:
Paediatric Ophthalmology
(Miss Butler only provides specialist
paediatric eye services at Sandwell)

Mr David Cheung

General Ophthalmology
Cataract Surgery
Specialist Interest:
Lid, Lacrimal & Orbital Surgery

Miss Winifred Nolan

General Ophthalmology
Cataract Surgery
Specialist Interest: Glaucoma

Mr Michael Quinlan

General Ophthalmology
Cataract Surgery
Specialist Interest:
Cornea & Anterior Segment

Mr Ajai Tyagi

General Ophthalmology
Cataract Surgery
Specialist Interest:
Surgical & Medical Retinal
Conditions

Eye Casualty

Opening Hours:

- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,
Friday: 9am to 5pm
- Wednesday (mornings only) 9am
to 12.30pm

Telephone referrals should be made
directly via:

- contacting the ophthalmic SHO on
call via Sandwell switchboard on
0121 553 1831.or
- to the eye outpatients directly on
0121 607 3277

Out of hours referrals can be made by:

- contacting the Sandwell on call
ophthalmology SHO via Sandwell
switchboard 0121 553 1831 or
- alternatively a referral may be
made to the Eye Casualty Service
at Birmingham Midland Eye
Centre

General Ophthalmology Clinics

Consultants: All Ophthalmologists

Choose and Book DoS Code:

**General Ophthalmology Service-
Ophthalmology-Sandwell Hospital NHS
Trust-RXK**

All our consultants provide general
ophthalmic clinics.

The vast majority of follow up patients
with chronic eye problems, e.g.
glaucoma, diabetic eye disease, ocular
hypertension, iritis and blepharitis, will be
seen in these clinics.

These clinics see the vast majority of new
referrals. If you are unsure which clinic to
refer your patient to, a referral to the
general ophthalmology clinic is usually the
best option. Subsequent referral to
specialist clinics can then be performed if
deemed appropriate.

Cataract Services

Consultants: All Ophthalmologists

Choose and Book DoS code

**Cataract Service Ophthalmology-
Sandwell Hospital NHS Trust-RXK**

These clinics are designed to provide an
efficient and convenient pathway for pa-
tients referred for cataract surgery.

A team comprising of nurses, doctors and
orthoptists perform all the necessary pre-
operative counselling, ocular measure-
ments and preassessments to allow us to
perform modern small incision cataract
surgery to the safest and highest possible
standards.

Specialist Clinics

Paediatric Ophthalmology

Consultant: Miss Lucy Butler

Choose and Book DoS code:

**Paediatric Ophthalmology Service-
Ophthalmology-Sandwell Hospital NHS
Trust-RXK**

This weekly consultant led clinic works in
conjunction with the orthoptic service to
provide the time, expertise and facilities
required to manage children with eye
problems properly. The service provides a
comprehensive service treating the vast
majority of paediatric eye problems

- Squint
- Amblyopia ("Lazy eye")
- Refractive errors

Children with more complex eye problems
are often co-managed with other
consultants & multidisciplinary tertiary
care teams within the trust and
Birmingham Children's Hospital

Lid & Adnexal Clinic

Consultant: Mr David Cheung

Choose and Book DoS code:

**Adnexal/Eyelid Service-
Ophthalmology-Sandwell Hospital NHS
Trust-RXK**

This fortnightly consultant led clinic is
devoted to the care of patients with
problems of the eyelids, upper face and
midface

- Periocular lesions e.g. skin
cancers, xanthelasma
- Ptosis
- Eyelid bags/ dermatochalasis
- Brow ptosis
- Eyelid malpositions e.g. entropion
& ectopion
- Eyelid rehabilitation for thyroid eye
disease, facial nerve palsy
- Eyelash problems

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Lacrimal and Orbital Clinic

Consultant: Mr David Cheung

Choose and Book DoS code:

Lacrimal/Orbital Service-Ophthalmology-Sandwell Hospital NHS Trust-RXK

This fortnightly clinic is devoted to looking after two types of problems.

Lacrimal (Watery Eyes): Patients are thoroughly assessed along the entire tear pathway to look for causes for their watering eye symptoms. Treatment then targets that cause e.g. endoscopic and external tear duct drainage surgery

Orbital: devoted the care of patients with problems of the orbit:

- Thyroid eye disease
- Artificial eyes
- Orbital tumours
- Lacrimal gland masses
- Orbital trauma

Corneal and Anterior Segment Clinic

Consultant: Mr Michael Quinlan

Choose and Book DoS code:

Corneal Service-Ophthalmology-Sandwell Hospital NHS Trust-RXK

This service is devoted to looking after patients with various problems of the cornea and ocular surface:

- Corneal distortion such as keratoconus
- Diseases of lining endothelial cells of the cornea
- Acute ocular surface diseases such as severe atopic eye disease
- Severe dry eye
- Corneal ulcerations
- Immunological corneal and conjunctival disease such as ocular cicatricial pemphigoid
- Peripheral corneal ulceration associated with systemic disease e.g rheumatoid arthritis
- Ocular surface disease associated with rosacea and meibomion gland dysfunction (blepharitis)

Mr Quinlan's surgical work includes:

- Refractive surgery for refractive problems such as excess astigmatism following other surgery
- Complex cataract surgery
- Corneal graft surgery
- Removal of pterygium with conjunctival autograft
- Surgery for problems related to corneal scarring and weakness of the ocular surface layer

Glaucoma clinics

Consultants: Mr Shashi Aggarwal & Miss Winifred Nolan

Choose and Book DoS Code:

Glaucoma Service-Ophthalmology-Sandwell Hospital NHS Trust-RXK

Although the vast majority of our glaucoma patients are well managed in our general clinics, a significant proportion with severe or 'brittle' glaucoma require more intensive follow up.

Glaucoma clinics are designed to provide a streamlined care pathway to allow more intensive disease monitoring, implementing the latest technology to accurately monitor for progression e.g. scanning laser ophthalmoscopes to objectively map out the optic nerve head and automated visual field recording to assess glaucoma progression. Over time, we hope our glaucoma clinics will be provided in the community/primary care setting

Diabetic Retinopathy Service

Consultant: Mr Jalil Al-Ibrahim

Choose and Book DoS code:

Diabetic Eye Service-Ophthalmology-Sandwell Hospital NHS Trust-RXK

The prevalence of diabetic retinopathy is increasing within our community as a consequence of changing social and demographic factors; yet it remains one of the commonest causes of preventable blindness. This specialised consultant led clinic is designed to provide the facilities to allow for effective screening, prevention and treatment of patients with moderate to severe diabetic retinopathy with rapid access to retinal imaging facilities and regular argon laser clinics

Medical Retinal Clinic

Consultant: Mr Jalil Al-Ibrahim

Choose and Book DoS code:

Medical Retinal Service-Ophthalmology-Sandwell Hospital NHS Trust-RXK

Medical retinal conditions, besides diabetic retinopathy remain the commonest causes of blindness within our community. This weekly clinic looks after patients who often need more regular intensive followup which cannot be provided by a general clinic e.g. wet Age Related Macular Degeneration, Retinal Vascular Occlusions

VitreoRetinal Clinic

Consultant: Mr Ajai Tyagi

Choose and Book DoS code:

Vitreo Retinal Service-Ophthalmology-Sandwell Hospital NHS Trust-RXK

As a retinal subspecialist, Mr Tyagi provides both medical and surgical retinal clinics. Patients with retinal problems are seen in his clinics at Sandwell and Birmingham & Midland Eye Centre (BMEC) but all retinal surgery is performed at BMEC. The following retinal cases are usually seen in his clinics.

Surgical:

- Retinal detachment
- Macular holes
- Epimacular membranes
- Advanced diabetic retinopathy
- Vitreous haemorrhage
- Ocular trauma
- Complicated cataracts and complications following cataract surgery
- Retinal laser

Medical:

- Age related macular degeneration
- Other types of macular degeneration
- Retinal vein and artery occlusions