WGOS: ACTION REQUIRED-Updated

Dear Optometry profession.

Welsh Government have now laid regulations that will enable WGOS to begin 20th October 2023. You have a small window of opportunity to ensure you are able to provide service from that date. Please do not delay and do not overlook this obligation.

Work undertaken from 20th October 2023 can only be supported and remunerated if you are compliant as a Performer and as a Practice.

Please see the attached **(Updated Zip Folder):**
- WGOS personal checklists.
  - There is a checklist for a Performer, and a checklist for a Practice/Contractor.
  - These **do not need to be submitted** and are a personal aid for you.
- Contractor declaration for the introduction of WGOS form to be submitted. The deadline for submitting this form is 17th November. You must complete a form for Health Board you provide services in.
- Annotations to current GOS/EHEW forms for WGOS 1 & 2 (including mobile)
- Crib sheets for practices:
  - At-a-glance vouchers
  - Recommended minimum intervals
  - Early recall dates
  - **Eligibility (ENG & CYM versions)**
- WGOS logo and logo guidance, should you wish to use it. Please do not use it outside of the guidance.

As ever, NHS Wales are here to support you. For further questions contact:
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Please do not delay and do not overlook. **To note, Patient Signatures are required from 20.10.2023.** The changes coming into force are not optional and they will affect everybody.

We look forward to this significant evolution in Primary Care Contractor Optometry and thank you for your services.

The Eye Care Wales website is being updated. Manuals, webinar recordings, and Q&A sheets from the webinars are all hosted there.

Further support material will follow, please keep checking back at regular intervals. Health and behaviour messaging resources will also appear on the website in due course.

With best wishes,

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