

**Resumption of GOS for routine patients –supporting information for Optical practices**

**5 step approach: Principles, staff, practice, PPE and patients**

**Checklist for areas for consideration**

**1 Principles**

* Provision for remote consultations
* Awareness of up to date COVID-19 guidance

**2 Staff**

* Social distancing measures in place
* Training for new ways of working
* Staff rota planned in such a way as to minimise risk

**3 Practice**

* Practice layout
* Payment options such as using contactless/cashless payment
* Patient flow through the practice
* Adequate supply of consumables
* Appropriate infection control and decontamination processes in place
* Appropriate waste disposal processes in place
* Adjustments to practice equipment

**4 PPE**

* Adequate supply of PPE
* Staff training on correct use of PPE
* Space for donning and doffing PPE

**5 Patient**

* Undertake appropriate risk assessments
* Updated patient communications
* Adjustments to clinical and referral protocols