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Dear Contractor,

**Re: General Ophthalmic Services (GOS) Contract – Level 1 Quality in Optometry (QiO)**

**Practice premises:** (*address to be listed for mandatory contracts*)

It is a national contractual requirement that GOS contractors complete and submit a Level 1 Quality in Optometry (QiO) GOS contract compliance checklist once every 3 years. This level is used by NHS England local offices for the purposes of checking and monitoring contract compliance.

The submission window, that has been agreed nationally, is 8 weeks and commenced on the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017. In view of the time factors we would like to inform you that we have amended the start date to Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2017. This means the completion date will be Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2017. If these dates are going to be a problem for you please contact the Area Team to discuss.

Therefore we require you to complete the on-line Level 1 Quality in Optometry (QiO) GOS contract compliance checklist and submit no later than **26<sup>th</sup> September 2017:**

- The GOS contract checklist and details of how to complete it can be found on the Quality in Optometry website at <http://www.qualityinoptometry.co.uk/>
- When completing the checklist please ensure that you select the correct CCG area and LOC where you provide **mandatory** services.
- For **additional** contractors please select the CCG area that you provide the majority of your GOS work

There is no need to email us a copy of your checklist, as we can view and download once you have completed and submitted the checklist with any action plans for non-compliant responses.

Should you have any technical difficulties or other issues when completing the checklist please email [info@locsu.co.uk](mailto:info@locsu.co.uk)

Yours sincerely,

**The Optometry Team**  
**NHS England South (South West)**