



RCOphth Annual Congress 2018

Assessment of the watering eye

Wednesday 23 May 2018 08.00 – 09.00

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Epiphora is a common problem in both adults and children, accounts for an eye watering financial burden on the NHS, with a significant percentage of referrals to community and primary care ophthalmology clinics. It has a wide range of causes which can be surprisingly difficult to diagnose and often results in frequent follow up visits. This session aims to present a clear pathway for the assessment of these patients that can be used equally in primary care/community clinics and specialist clinics and also used to create clinical pathway groups for high quality safe pathways. It aims to show how pathways can be developed for one stop clinics in which patients can be either treated and discharged or referred to specialist clinic.

We will look at the history and examination and investigation of the watering eye and present videos of useful tips and tricks to make the examination efficient and documentation clear. We will discuss the pros and cons of nurse syringing, when to order dacrocystograms or lacrimal scintillography.

Speakers

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