# Description:

This consultation seeks views on the updated Retinal Vein Occlusion Guidelines. The update incorporates the impact of new imaging modalities and its findings on the management of retinal vein occlusion. Recommendation on the use of intravitreal agents in the management of retinal vein occlusion have been updated to reflect the increasing body of literature on its use along with the impact this treatment has on the natural history and complications of retinal vein occlusion.

We are consulting on draft guidance for use primarily by ophthalmologists, providing them with evidence-based, clinical guidance for the appropriate management of different aspects of RVO. The foundations of the guidelines are based on evidence taken from the literature and published trials of therapies as well as consensus opinion of a representative expert panel convened by the RCOphth with an interest in this condition.

The scope of the guideline is limited to current diagnostic tools, management, service set-up and delivery to facilitate delivery of optimal clinical care pathways and management for patients with RVO.

We would like your feedback on the draft guidance relating to:

* The comprehensiveness and applicability of the guideline, are any points/factors missing?
* The content and clarity of the guideline and its suitability to different environments
* The interpretation of the evidence available to support its recommendations
* The likely impact on patient groups affected by the guideline
* The likely impact / ability of the health service to implement the recommendations will individuals/departments will attempt to follow the guidance - if so why? And if not, why not?

# Consultation period:

27 September 2021 to 1 November 2021 17:00

# Consultation document:

Retinal Vein Occlusion Clinical Guidelines

Retinal Vein Occlusion Clinical Guidelines (Executive Summary)

# How to respond:

* Send your comments to us
* You must use the Comments form
* Comments must be submitted by 17:00 on 1 November 2021
* Send your comments to [beth.barnes@rcophth.ac.uk](mailto:beth.barnes@rcophth.ac.uk)

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