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Subject:	Ophthalmology IT Systems and Imaging Capabilities

Q1   **Ophthalmology Department & IT Record System**

Does your Trust have an ophthalmology department and/or provide ophthalmology clinics?

A1   No

Q2   If so, what is the name of the principal IT record system used to document results from patient consultations within ophthalmology?

A2   Not applicable as per A1

Q3   **Imaging Capabilities & System Integration**

Does the principal IT system allow clinicians to view images from scans conducted during a clinic visit?

A3   Not applicable as per A1

Q4   Are there any types of medical images that cannot be imported into this principal IT system? If so:
• What is the name of the IT programme used by clinicians to view these images?
• What is the name of the scan/modality that generates these images?

A4   Not applicable as per A1

Q5   **Data Integration with National Systems**

Does the principal IT system integrate with the NHS Spine or other national patient record systems (e.g., OpenEyes, Medisoft, Epic)?

A5   Not applicable as per A1

Q6   Does the system support the exchange of structured data with other NHS Trusts or external healthcare providers?

A6   Not applicable as per A1

Q7   **Patient Access & Communication**

Does the system allow patients to access their ophthalmology records, including images, via the NHS App or another patient portal?

A7   Not applicable as per A1

Q8   Are there any restrictions on how imaging data can be shared with patients and external providers?

A8   Not applicable as per A1

Q9   **Image Storage & Viewing Capabilities**

What is the storage capacity and retention policy for ophthalmology-related imaging within the IT system?

A9   Not applicable as per A1

Q10   If images are not viewable within the principal IT system, does the Trust use a separate **PACS (Picture Archiving and Communication System)** for ophthalmology imaging?

A10   Not applicable as per A1

Q11   **Future IT Developments & Interoperability**

Is the Trust planning any upgrades or changes to its ophthalmology IT infrastructure in the next five years?

A11   Planning a single operator pilot

Q12   Are there known interoperability challenges that affect the transfer of ophthalmology data within the Trust or between NHS organizations?

A12   No