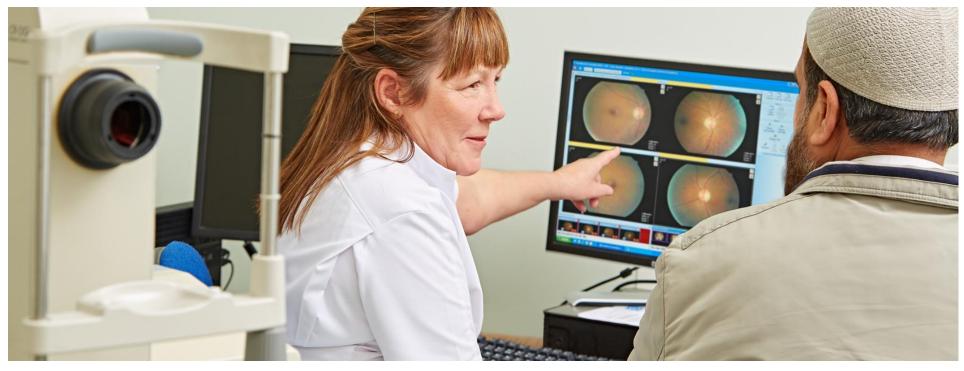


## Important Information About Your Local Diabetic Eye Screening Service

Eye screening is a key part of diabetes care to check for diabetic retinopathy, a condition that can lead to sight loss if it's not detected early and treated. Everyone aged 12 and over with diabetes receives an invitation to this service once a year.



On **1 October 2016** the East Lancashire and Preston, Chorley & South Ribble diabetic eye screening programmes are merging to create the Lancashire Diabetic Eye Screening Programme.

## What is the difference?

- A new central booking line will be created for making or changing appointments.
- A mixed screening model where appointments will be offered at a variety of community clinics across the region with the

## option to attend a local Specsavers stores and selected independent Optometrists.

• A closed booking system that will assign appointments to patients. Appointments can be changed very easily.

## For more information contact your current diabetic eye screening programme or visit <u>http://LANCSdesp.info</u>

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