



Screening Programmes

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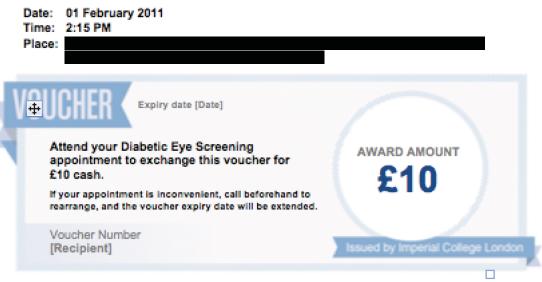
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NHS Number:

Dear Mr Paul

Your Annual Diabetic Eye Screening Appointment



Please attend this important appointment. The aim of diabetic eye screening is to detect any changes caused by diabetes that could damage your sight. You may be completely unaware of these changes but they are usually very treatable.

If you have diabetes, eye screening:

- Can detect early signs of diabetic retinopathy, which is one of the most common cause of blindness in people of working age
- Is a specific eye test for people with diabetes it is not the same as your normal eye test for glasses with your optician
- Helps to detect any risk to your vision

When you attend your appointment please remember this simple checklist:

- Bring any prescription glasses you have
- Bring sunglasses, as your eyes may be sensitive to light following screening
- Do not drive after your appointment as the eye drops may affect your vision

Please see enclosed leaflet for more information on your screening test. We will send you and your GP your screening result within 6 weeks of your appointment.

We know that some patients invited for diabetic eye screening do not attend their appointment. Imperial College London is looking to see whether financial incentives help people to attend, and this work is being conducted through our clinics.

Once you have been screened, you can exchange this voucher for £10 cash. Please bring this letter with you when you attend your screening appointment. If you have any questions about the financial incentive, please email

If you need to reschedule your appointment, please contact the number below as soon as possible, as appointment availability is limited. You cannot reschedule on the day of the appointment.

If this appointment is inconvenient, if you need an interpreter, or you are already seeing an eye specialist please contact us as soon as possible on: between 9:00am and 5:00pm Monday to Friday.

If you are considering not attending, please discuss this carefully with your GP as it is important that you fully understand the risks involved.

Yours sincerely

Diabetic Eye Screening Administration Team

Hospital map attached here