

**Patient Information**  
**About your Corneal Graft**  
**Eye Unit**

## **Important information regarding your Corneal Graft**

You have recently had a corneal graft operation (penetrating keratoplasty). During the operation the central part of your diseased cornea was removed and replaced with donor tissue.



As with any other transplanted tissue (e.g. (kidney, heart, or lungs) your new cornea is foreign tissue to your body. Your body can reject the new cornea at any time. If this happens you will require intensive treatment.

### **The signs of corneal rejection you should look out for are:-**

- Redness of the eye
- Watering
- Aching
- Increased blurring of the vision
- Increased irritation / and or soreness
- Increased sensitivity to light

If you notice any of these symptoms it is important that you are seen as soon as possible. The sooner treatment is started, the better the chance of saving the graft.

**Where can I obtain further advice?**

If you require further information or advice please contact:-

Eye Outpatient Department on:-

Tel. No:- 01633 – 238413

Between 8.30am – 5.00pm

Or

Eye Ward on:-

Tel. No:- 01633 – 238415

(This is a 24 hour contact number)