

**Clinical Guideline:** Posterior Capsular Opacification Site: FPH

Posterior capsule opacification is opacification of the posterior lens capsule (which is left behind at the end of a cataract extraction).

History

General Information

Most common long-term postoperative complication (incidence of up to 50% by 2 years postoperatively)

Examination

Treatment is with a 10-minute laser procedure in the eye-clinic

Advice and Treatment

**Consider referral if:**

* Symptoms are more important than tests of visual function: severity of PCO correlates poorly with high contrast Snellen visual acuity

Referral Guidelines – red flag signs

Investigation