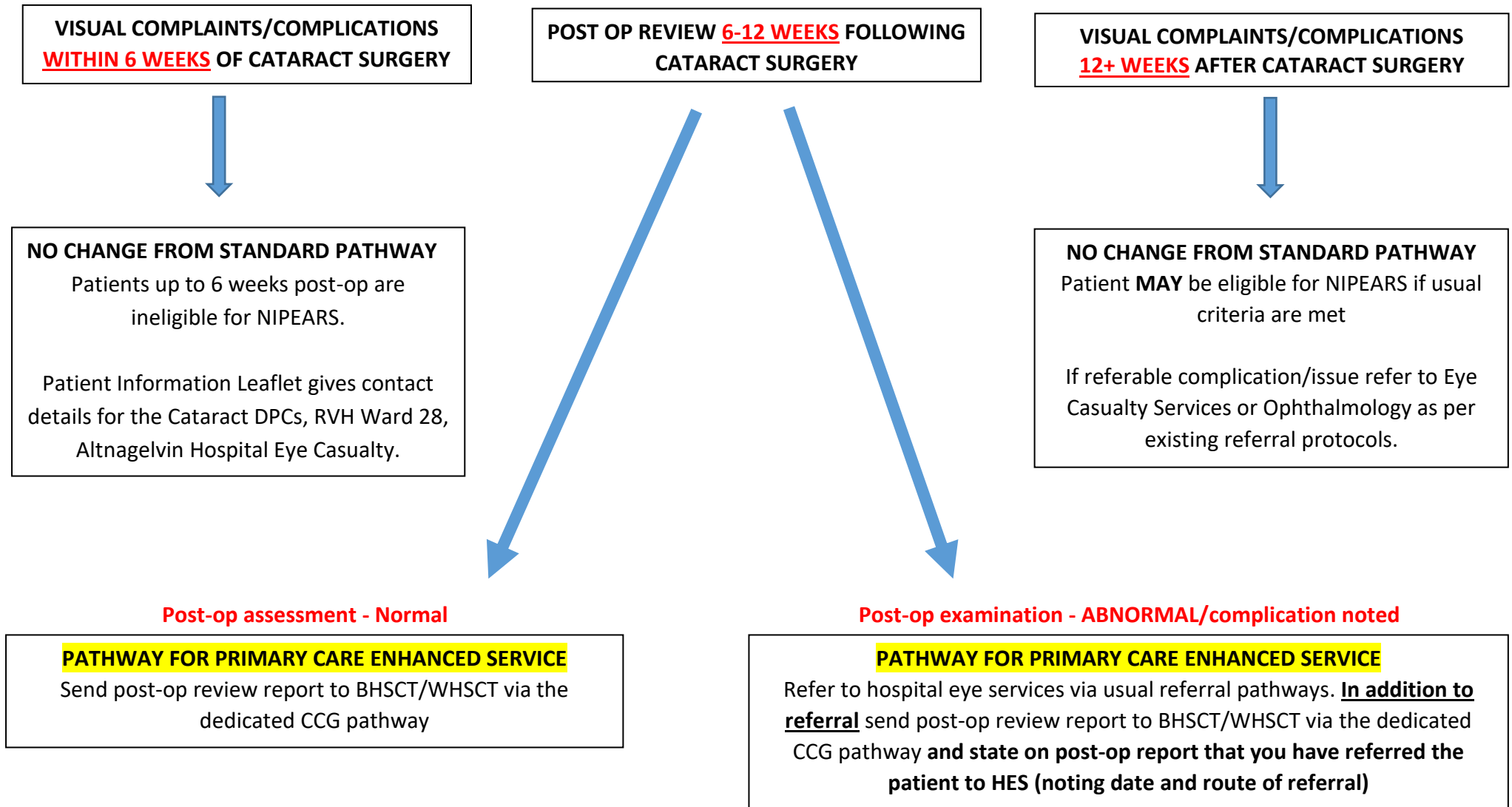


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**CLINICAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR POST-OPERATIVE CATARACT REVIEW SERVICE**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Only non-complex patients will be referred out to community practice from the HES</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Remember OCT's are not a requirement of the service specification and are not funded</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• OCT should be undertaken ONLY when clinically indicated e.g. signs or symptoms such as reduced vision</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Referrals back to the HES should contain all relevant clinical information to allow the hospital to triage them appropriately.</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Normal referral pathways apply, e.g. CMO via CCG to Ophthalmology and not RAES</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• CMO detected as a result of symptoms and OCT should be referred via the normal CCG route to ophthalmology with all clinical information</li></ul>

(NB. HES do not routinely perform OCT at cataract post-operative review appointments, only when clinically indicated e.g. reduced vision)