



Launch of New NHS Western Isles Diabetic Eye Screening Service

The new NHS Western Isles Diabetic Eye Screening service started screening patients at Western Isles Hospital on 25 June.

So far more than 60 patients have been

screened, and a further 115 screening appointments have been scheduled for clinics until 1 August.

Feedback from patients has been excellent, and the opportunity to have diabetic eye screening at the same hospital visit as other appointments has been greatly appreciated.

Diabetic eye screening appointments will soon be available in Uist and Barra, when the final preparations to launch the new service there are complete.

Pictured above with the diabetic eye screening equipment are Natasha Watson (Diabetes Coordinator and Diabetic Eye Screener), Janet MacLean (Health Protection and Screening Clinical Specialist), Mags Mackin (Public Health Intelligence Analyst responsible for screening data), and Colum Durkan (Director of Public Health).