INFORMATION GUIDE
Pachymeters for Community Optometrist Practices in Scotland, NP7000/15

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# Background

The SIGN Glaucoma Referral and Safe Discharge Guideline was issued in March 2015 [http://www.sign.ac.uk/pdf/SIGN144.pdf](http://www.sign.ac.uk/pdf/SIGN144.pdf). This evidence based advice supports the use of a pachymeter to measure the central corneal thickness in some patients to improve the diagnosis of glaucoma in primary care. In July 2015, the Scottish Government announced funding to support this recommendation and National Services Scotland National Procurement was asked to undertake the procurement of Pachymeters for each Optometric Practice in Scotland.

This involved the issue of an open tender to invite potential suppliers to submit a bid against the pre-determined requirements. The responses were then evaluated to determine the successful supplier. A group of clinical and technical representatives from private and public Scottish optometrists assisted throughout the process, details are available on request.

# Contract Award

Following evaluation of the tender responses submitted; Keeler Limited was awarded as 1st ranked supplier for the supply of the Accutome Pachpen Ultrasound Pachymeter to all Community Optometric Practices in Scotland, excluding dispensing only practices.

# Delivery Schedule / contact Information

All practices will receive one new Pachymeter by 31st March 2016.

Any issues regarding non-delivery by 20th March 2016, should be reported initially to:
Hazel Johnstone, Commodity Manager – NSS National Procurement
Tel - 01698 794561
E-mail – hazel.johnstone@nhs.net

Or for general enquiries please contact:
Debbie McGill, Operations Manager – Optometry Scotland
Tel – 0141 202 0610
E-mail - debbie.mcgill@optometryscotland.org.uk

# Supplier Contact Details

Post receipt of device any enquiries or warranty issues should be directed to:
Keeler Limited, Clewer Hill Road, Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 4AA.
[http://www.keeler.co.uk/](http://www.keeler.co.uk/)

General Enquiries – Brian Moran, Sales Manager:
Tel - 01753 827171
Mob - 07836 248 139
E-mail - brianm@keeler.co.uk

Technical Issues - Tomasz Kula, Technical Services Manager
Tel - 01753 827128
E-mail - tomazk@keeler.co.uk

# Technical Specification

The PachPen® - Handheld Pachymeter:
- Accuracy - 65 MHz sampling probe;
- IOP Correction Calculation - Converts IOP measurements;
- 2.5mm diameter probe;
- Long lasting lithium battery lasts approximately 15,000 readings;
- The PachPen weighs only 3.0 oz (85 grams)
Warranty Information
The products are protected by the manufacturers five (5) years warranty, with the option of an additional 12 months at the cost of £100.

Disinfection and Cleaning & General Maintenance – Please refer to the user guide that will be provided with the device for detailed information, however please be assured that Keeler have agreed that “All parts that may come in contact with patients or staff can be easily cleaned and not be affected by the common cleaning agents used in a clinical environment, including but not limited to alcohols and Sodium Hypochlorite”, therefore using Sodium Hypochlorite on the probe tip is not an issue, and will not impact the 5 year warranty.

Sundry Costs
The following items are available to order direct from Keeler if required:
Replacement Hard Carry Case - £25.00
Cost of replacement Lithium Battery (Product Code 1909-P-7145) - £15.00

Training Provision
A dedicated website is available – http://www.accutome.com/pachpen-handheld-pachymeters
YouTube video link – https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cMi_5b-chxU
Training video via Flash Drive provided with device
Keeler Sales Manager, Brian Moran is available to assist with any training requirements.


NHS Education for Scotland is running courses around the country to support the use of pachymetry as part of a Glaucoma Roadshow. Booking is available via the NES Portal (www.portal.scot.nhs.uk).

E-Learning modules in support of the SIGN glaucoma referral and safe discharge guideline are also available on the NES Portal.

For any initial enquires please contact Christine Jeffrey, NHS Education for Scotland, West Port, Edinburgh, EH3 9DN (optometry@nes.scot.nhs.uk) Tel - 0131 656 3257

Incident Reporting / MHRA
As The Accutome Pachpen Ultrasound Pachymeter is CE Certified Marked (Class 11b Medical Device) and meet Medical Device Directive 93/42/EEC, any Medical Device Alerts will be published by MHRA.

Please ensure you are registered with MHRA to receive any future alerts that may be issued.

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