About to qualify? What next

Once you have successfully completed your Stage 2 assessment you should prepare yourself for practice

You will need to complete the stages below to practise in the UK:

- 1. Begin the process to register on the relevant NHS List
- 2. Obtain suitable indemnity insurance
- 3. Registered with the General Optical Council (GOC)

You will then be required to complete a minimum amount of Continuing Education and Training (CET) to stay registered and practise.

NHS listing

Students in England, Scotland and Wales are advised apply to join their Ophthalmic List three months prior to the date they expect to become registered as fully qualified with the GOC. Students in Northern Ireland can only apply once they are registered as fully qualified with the GOC.

National Performers List in England

The local NHS Regional Team will process your application while you continue your pre-reg and hold it until you have your full GOC number. During that time, they can carry out all the checks required and it should not prevent you working once you qualify.

To start your application visit the national performers list website - www.performer.england.nhs.uk,

Then contact your area team for further instructions - capita PCSE tel: 03330142884

The documents required for the meeting with the NHS are: -

- NHS application printed out
- GOC certificate
- Degree certificate
- DBS certificate
- **CV**
- Two clinical references from within practice
- Immunisations