

Nick Rumney
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Nick Rumney is currently owner and Managing Director of a private practice in Hereford. He is also Company Secretary/Director of Optometric Educators Ltd. He is an examiner at PQE and Fellowship level for the College of Optometrists. In 2001 he was elected to the General Optical Council.

His main clinical interest is in visual impairment. He was the first UK optometrist to complete an MScOptom at the University of Melbourne and was also the first optometrist to sit the College Fellowship examination in Partial Sight (additional module Ocular Disease). His practice is part of a Shared Care Project in Low Vision provision through optometric practice funded by the Herefordshire Primary Care Trust. He has experience in DVLA standards assessments, Ocutech and Edwards BITA scopes.

He manages a team of fourteen with speciality interests in primary care, low vision, children and contact lenses. In 2003 the practice was chosen to pilot the Hereford Integrated Primary Eyecare project, a project designed to filter primary care referrals from both optometrists and GPs.

He has published over 30 papers in optometric journals and presents lectures and workshops to optometrists and ophthalmologists on low vision assessment, low vision management, investigative techniques, ocular therapeutics and red eye management. He has been a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry since 1995.

He has recently been appointed to Chair the GOC Revalidation Committee and has been directly involved in the development of a therapeutic competency framework with the National Prescribing Centre.