



OSCE Checklist: Eye Examination

Introduction		
1	Introduce yourself to the patient including your name and role	
2	Confirm the patient's name and date of birth	
3	Briefly explain what the examination will involve using patient-friendly language	
4	Gain consent to proceed with the examination	
5	Wash your hands	
6	Position the patient sitting on a chair	
7	Ask if the patient has any pain before proceeding	
8	Gather appropriate equipment	
Visual acuity		
9	Assess long-distance visual acuity using a Snellen chart, including further steps if required (e.g. reducing distance from Snellen chart, counting fingers, hand movements, perception of light)	
10	Assess near visual acuity using a near vision chart	
Colour vision		
11	Assess colour vision using Ishihara plates	
Visual fields		
12	Assess visual fields	
Inspect the eyes		
13	Perform general inspection of the external eyes including pupils and eyelids	
Pupillary reflexes		
14	Assess the direct and consensual pupillary reflexes	
15	Perform the swinging light test	
16	Assess the accommodation reflex	
Eye movements		
17	Assess the patient's eye movements through all axes of vision	
Fundoscopy		
18	Explain fundoscopy to the patient	
19	Prepare for fundoscopy: instil mydriatic eye drops and set up the ophthalmoscope	
20	Assess the red reflex	
21	Assess the optic disc	
22	Assess the retina	

23	Assess the macula	
24	Repeat fundoscopy on the other eye	
To complete the examination...		
25	Explain to the patient that the examination is now finished	
26	Thank the patient for their time	
27	Wash your hands	
28	Summarise your findings	
29	Suggest further assessments and investigations (e.g. cranial nerve examination, Amster chart, blood pressure, capillary blood glucose, retinal photography).	

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