

STUDY GUIDE	
PROGRAM	MBBS
MODULE TITLE	Head and Neck & Special Senses-2 (Ophthalmology)
ACADEMIC YEAR	Fourth year -2024
INTRODUCTION	This section of the Head & Neck and Special Senses-II module is
	related to ophthalmological diseases.
	Pakistan has faced challenges with vision impairment and
	blindness as key elements of the overall health status of the
	population. Visual acuity impairment severely degrades the
	quality of life and has more pronounced negative effects on
	people suffering from various other chronic health issues. Globally,
	it has transformed into a major health problem. The International
	Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IABP) has reported that
	7.6 million people in Pakistan are visually impaired and of those,
	1.2 million were blind. The Fred Hollows Foundation (FHF)
	estimated that about 10% (18 million) of the Pakistani population
	was living with some sort of visual impairment and around 2 million
	individuals were living with blindness.
	Considering the serious nature of the situation in Pakistan, it
	becomes imperative that Ophthalmic conditions receive a fair
	share of inclusion in the MBBS curriculum.
RATIONALE	This module, along with the ophthalmology rotations, aims to
	produce graduates capable of dealing with common eye
	related conditions in tertiary and primary health care settings. The

	long-term goal is to contribute to the national provision of
	healthcare providers who can take part in the reduction of
	blindness and visual impairment.
OUTCOMES	By the end of the Head and Neck & Special Senses-2 (EYE)
	module and ophthalmology Rotation, students will be able to
	justify management plans for common, uncomplicated,
	emergency, and non-emergency conditions related to
	Ophthalmology.
DEPARTMENTS	1. Community Medicine
INVOLVED	2. Ophthalmology
	3. Pathology
COURSE OBJECTIVES	By the end of the module, the students should be able to:
LECTURES	1. Blindness and its prevention
COMMUNITY	 Describe blindness and visual impairment.
MEDICINE	Classify visual impairment.
	Discuss the epidemiology of blindness.
	 Explain prevention and control of blindness
	 Discuss the national health vision program of Pakistan
	2. Trachoma
	Describe Trachoma
	 Discuss the epidemiology of Trachoma
	 Classify the WHO trachoma grading System
	 Describe the control & prevention of Trachoma
OPHTHALMOLOGY	1. ORBIT
	Diagnose Orbital cellulitis and Proptosis based on clinical
	features and investigation findings
	 Justify suitable treatment plans for the above-mentioned
	conditions

2. LIDS

- Justify diagnosis, investigations, differential diagnosis, and treatment plans for Blepharitis, Stye, Chalazion, Trichiasis, Entropion, Ectropion, and Ptosis.
- Develop diagnosis for Basal cell, squamous cell, Sebaceous carcinoma and Melanoma
- Describe clinical features for diagnosis of Nevus and Papilloma

3. CORNEA

- Define common corneal pathological conditions
- Justify the diagnosis, investigations, differential diagnosis, and treatment plans for corneal trauma, infections, and Keratoconus

4. CONJUNCTIVA

 Justify diagnosis, investigations, differential diagnosis, and treatment plans for infective and allergic conjunctivitis and Pterygium

5. SCLERA

• Justify diagnosis, investigations, differential diagnosis, and treatment plans for Episcleritis and Scleritis

6. LACRIMAL APPARATUS

 Justify diagnosis, investigations, differential diagnosis, and treatment plans for Epiphora, Acute and Chronic Dacryocystitis

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7.	UVEAL TRACT
•	Discuss differential diagnoses for red eye along with their
	etiology, investigations, and treatment plans
•	Justify diagnosis, investigations, differential diagnosis, and
	treatment plans for Uveitis
8.	LENS
•	Classify cataract
•	Describe cataracts due to systemic diseases
•	Explain the symptoms, signs, investigations, and
	management of congenital cataracts
•	Diagnose acquired cataract based on symptoms, signs,
	and investigation findings
•	Justify the selection of treatment options for acquired
	cataracts
•	Explain congenital cataract secondary to rubella
9.	GLAUCOMA
•	Define Glaucoma
•	Classify glaucoma
•	Discuss the etiology, differential diagnosis and
	investigations for Glaucoma
•	Justify diagnosis and treatment plan for angle closure
	glaucoma
•	Justify treatment plans for Glaucoma (other than angle
	closure)
10	. VITREO-RETINA
•	Explain the signs, symptoms investigations, and principles of

management for posterior vitreous hemorrhage and Rhegmatogenous Retinal Detachment (RRD)

 Discuss the clinical presentations, investigations, and treatment options for Retinitis Pigmentosa and Retinoblastoma and Age-Related Macular Degeneration (ARMD)

11.OPTIC NERVE

- Justify differential diagnosis, provisional diagnosis, and investigations for Papilledema, Optic Neuritis and Optic Atrophy
- Develop treatment plans for Papilledema, Optic Neuritis and Optic Atrophy

12. VISUAL PATHWAY

• Predict the effects of lesions in the optic chiasma and visual pathway on the visual field

13.INJURIES

- Classify injuries to the eye based on etiology
- Describe the management plan for extra-ocular foreign bodies (corneal, conjunctival) and burns and chemical injuries
- Develop management plans for all other types of injuries to the eye

14. SQUINT AND AMBLYOPIA

- Define Squint and Amblyopia
- Discuss the relationship between squint and amblyopia

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•	Discuss principles of management for these two conditions
15	ERRORS OF REFRACTION
	Define Emetropia, Myopia, Hypermetropia, Astigmatism,
	Presbyopia, Aphakia, Pseudoaphakia and Anisometropia
•	Discuss the etiology and corrective measures for each type
	of error of refraction including the principles involved, use
	and procedure of pinhole test
16	SYSTEMIC DISEASES
•	Discuss the effects of diabetes mellitus and hypertension on
	eye and vision
•	Diagnose diabetic and hypertensive retinopathy
•	Discuss the pathophysiology of diabetic and hypertensive
	retinopathy
•	Describe principles of management for the above
	mentioned conditions
•	Justify diagnosis, investigations and treatment plan for
	ocular conditions due to vitamin A deficiency
	Discuss the effects of abnormal thyroid hormone levels on
	eye and vision
•	Justify diagnosis, investigations and treatment plan for
	conditions due to abnormal thyroid hormone levels (e.g.
	Grave's disease, Thyroid Ophthalmopathy)
17	.BLINDNESS
•	List the six most common causes of blindness worldwide
	according to WHO criteria
•	Discuss etiology, preventive measures, and principles of
	management for blindness

PATHOLOGY	1. Pathology of Eye diseases 1
	Define proptosis
	 List the causes of proptosis
	 Discuss the neoplasms of the orbit and eyelid
	 Define conjunctival scarring, pinguecula and pterygium
	 Discuss the squamous and melanocytic neoplasms of
	conjunctiva.
	List the causes of blue sclera.
	• Briefly discuss the pathogenesis of corneal inflammation,
	corneal ulcers, corneal degeneration and dystrophies
	List the causes of cataract
	 Briefly discuss the pathogenesis of cataract
	2. Pathology of Eye Diseases 2
	Define glaucoma
	Classify glaucoma according to its types
	 Discuss the causes and pathogenesis of various types of
	glaucoma.
	Define uveitis
	List the causes of uveitis
	Briefly discuss the uveal neoplasms
	Define retinal detachment
	Discuss the causes and pathogenesis of retinal vascular
	diseases with reference to hypertension and diabetes
	mellitus.
	Define retrolental fibroplasia, sickle retinopathy, radiation
	retinopathy, retinitis pigmentosa and age related

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	macular degeneration
	 Discuss the causes and effects of retinal artery and vein
	occlusion
	 Discuss the pathogenesis and morphology of
	retinoblastoma
	 Define papilledema and optic neuritis.
	3. Pathogens causing Eye infections
	 List the pathogens causing eye infections
	 Discuss the pathophysiology and clinical manifestations
	of eye infections
SKILLS LAB	1. Ophthalmoscopy
	 Perform ophthalmoscopy according to standard protocol
	on a mannequin or simulated patient
SKILLS (TO BE LEARNT	• Take a detailed focused history from a patient with
DURING WARD	Ophthalmology related conditions (e.g. defects in vision,
<u>ROTATIONS)</u>	pain in and around the eye, discharge from eyes,
	abnormal appearance of eye and orbit, and blurred vision
	or disturbance in colored vision)
	• Examine the adnexa and anterior segment of the eye
	based on prescribed methods
	• Examine the eye for ocular movements (cranial nerve
	examination)
	 Perform visual acuity examination for distant and near
	vision
	 Perform gross examination of deviation of eye
	 Perform pupillary reflexes, Confrontation Test for visual field
	and Torchlight exam

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	 Perform a pinhole test
	 Perform Ophthalmoscopy on real patients under direct
	supervision
INTERNAL	 Internal assessment will be according to JSMU policy. The
ASSESSMENT	details of the internal assessment will be determined by the
	respective institutions.
	 Internal assessment carries 20% weightage in the final,
	end-of-year examination
ANNUAL	 MCQs and OSCE/OSPE (observed + unobserved)
EXAMINATION	
MODULE	 The course will be evaluated through a feedback form
EVALUATION	which will be posted on the JSMU website
SUGGESTED READING	1. Parks textbook of prevention and social medicine Edition
SOURCES	23rd
	2. Public health and community medicine Shah-Ilyas-Ansar
	Irfan Edition 8th