

## **Transition Plan for SHCO to Eye Care Organisation (ECO) Standards**

1. Release date: 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2016.
2. 'Effective Date of Implementation': 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017. This date would mean:
  - a. For SHCO already accredited, this is the date by which they must be in full compliance with first edition.
  - b. For SHCO seeking accreditation for the first time, this indicates the date after which all assessments and accreditation decisions will be based on 1<sup>st</sup> edition ECO Standards.
  - c. Any assessment and accreditation decisions before 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 can be based on second edition of SHCO/ 1<sup>st</sup> edition of ECO. However, such SHCO shall be required to complying with the 1<sup>st</sup> edition of ECO after 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017.
  - d. Complete transition by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017.