

Your Request:

- 1) Do you have a formulary in place for any of the following items:
 - a) Indwelling Foley Catheters**
 - b) Intermittent Self Catheterisation Catheters**
 - c) Leg Bags**
 - d) Catheter Valves**
 - e) Sheaths**
 - f) Nephrostomy Bags****
- 2) In respect of Q1, if yes, please could you provide me with a copy of the most up to date formulary for urology/continence care products?**
- 3) In respect of Q1, please could you confirm the formulary review date and how frequently you review the formulary?**
- 4) Who is responsible for the formulary, particularly regarding the inclusion and deletion of its products.**
- 5) Please could you provide information on how products are evaluated prior to being approved for formulary inclusion? If this is part of a clinical evaluation or clinical trial, please provide results.**
- 6) In respect of Q1, does your Place have a preferred home delivery service for these items?**
- 7) In respect of Q6, if so, which company if your preferred home delivery service and why?**
- 8) In respect of Q1, are these items prescribed through a prescription prescribing service, or directly from the GP?**
- 9) Does your Place have a preferred company that conducts Appliance Use Reviews, if so, which company do you use?**

Our Response:

Please find listed below the information requested in relation to urology and continence care for each of the former CCG areas that now make up NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB:

Cheshire

- 1a) Yes.
- 1b) Yes.
- 1c) Yes.

1d) Yes.

1e) Yes.

1f) No.

2) Prescribing Guidelines for Urology Products Across Cheshire available via the following link to the Cheshire Formulary website:

<https://www.cheshireformulary.nhs.uk/docs/launcher.asp?docID=283>

3) June 2023.

4) Not yet determined.

5) The products selected on the current formulary were based on the current expertise of local clinical nurse specialists. The approach going forward is yet to be determined.

6 – 7) No.

8) These items are prescribed directly from the GP.

9) No.

Halton

1a) Yes.

1b) Yes.

1c) Yes.

1d) Yes.

1e) Yes.

1f) Yes.

2) Halton have adopted the enclosed '*Adult Continence & Catheter Care Formulary*' developed by Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust.

3) Information not held. You may wish to redirect your request for this information to Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust via:

bchft.foi@nhs.net

4) Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust.

5) Information not held. You may wish to redirect your request for this information to Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust via:

bchft.foi@nhs.net

6) No.

7) Not applicable.

8) Directly from the GP.

9) No.

Knowsley

1 - 9) No formulary in place specifically in relation to urology and continence care on the Pan Mersey Formulary used. You may wish to redirect your request for this information to Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust via

FOI@merseycare.nhs.uk, as the local commissioned provider of continence care.

Liverpool

1 - 7) No formulary in place specifically in relation to urology and continence care on the Pan Mersey Formulary used.

8) Management of urology conditions and supply of products in Liverpool is through a combination of the Liverpool Urology Appliance Management Service (LUAMS) service and the Secondary care Incontinence service.

9) The LUAMS provider (Bullens Healthcare) carries out Appliance Use Reviews.

Sefton

1 - 7) No formulary in place specifically in relation to urology and continence care on the Pan Mersey Formulary used.

8) Prescription prescribing service.

9) No, the Appliance Use Reviews is completed by the Dispensing Appliance Contractor (DAC). Sefton patients can have their prescription sent to any DAC.

St Helens

1 - 9) No formulary in place specifically in relation to urology and continence care on the Pan Mersey Formulary used.

Warrington

1a) Yes.

1b) Yes.

1c) Yes.

1d) Yes.

1e) Yes.

1f) Yes.

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4) Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust.

5) Information not held. You may wish to redirect your request for this information to Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust via:

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6) No.

7) Not applicable.

8) Directly from the GP.

9) No.

Wirral

1 - 5) No formulary in place specifically in relation to urology and continence care on the Pan Mersey Formulary used. You may wish to redirect your request for this information to Wirral Community NHS Foundation Trust via wcnt.foi@nhs.net, who have their own formulary for continence.

6) No.

7) Not applicable.

8) Directly from GP.

9) No.

Please note from 01 July 2022, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) were disestablished, and their statutory functions and responsibilities inherited by NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB. As a result, NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB has inherited the two former formularies in operation by the former CCGs, which are the Pan Mersey Formulary and the Cheshire Formulary.

It is the intention of NHS Cheshire and Merseyside Integrated Care Board (ICB) to review all commissioning policies across the Integrated Care System (ICS) footprint and have a unified common set, including review of the two formularies inherited. However, the review process for this has not yet been determined. In the meantime, NHS Cheshire and Merseyside will continue to adopt and operate the CCG policies and formularies it has inherited at Place/borough level.