

2020-2021 Effective Use of Resources Treatment Policies		GM EUR Team Contacts	Tel	Email
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Funding Request Forms	Funding Approval Category	Approval Required	Notes
GM EUR Generic Funding Request Form NOTE: GM policies have specific funding request forms, please see the end column on the blue coloured rows below.	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval (IFR)	Yes	A decision has been taken not to commission a specific treatment. Funding will only be approved if there is evidence of clinical exceptional circumstances.
	Individual Prior Approval (IPA)	Yes	The Commissioner has specifically requested that funding is sought for a particular treatment. The treatment must not be undertaken without funding approval from commissioners. Exceptional circumstances do not always have to be demonstrated.
PbR Excluded Lists PbR Excluded Devices List PbR Excluded Drugs List	Monitored Approval (MA) NOTE: Only applies if the patient meets the policy criteria.	No	The specific treatment may be undertaken in line with agreed EUR policy criteria/routine commissioning arrangements provided the policy criteria is met, clinicians can refer patients without seeking approval. If the patient does <u>not</u> meet the policy criteria clinicians should apply for Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval. Audits may be undertaken to ensure adherence with agreed commissioning arrangements.

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Adaptive Servo-ventilation (ASV) for Central Sleep Apnoea	Monitored Approval			
Aesthetic Surgery (Other)	Individual Prior Approval <u>and</u> Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Aesthetic Surgery (Other)	Aesthetic Surgery (Other)	Aesthetic Surgery (Other)
Arthroscopic shoulder decompression for subacromial shoulder pain - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Shoulder Impingement (Arthroscopic subacromial decompression for) applies - please see policy below.		
Assisted Conception (Includes IVF and Sperm Washing)	Monitored Approval	Salford CCG Assisted Conception Policy NOTE: If the patient does not meet the criteria for treatment within the policy, please submit an individual funding request for consideration under exceptionality.		
Back Pain (Treatment of low back pain with or without sciatica)	Within contract for NICE NG59 approved procedures <u>and</u> Individual Prior Approval <u>and</u> Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval (For the following - please see individual GM policies: Facet Joint Injections; Out of Contract Spinal Procedures)	Back Pain (Treatment for low back pain with or without sciatica)	Back Pain (Treatment for low back pain with or without sciatica)	Back Pain (Treatment for low back pain with or without sciatica)
Balloon Assisted Enteroscopy	Monitored Approval	For visual examination of the small bowel. NOTE: For Specialist gastroenterology, hepatology and nutritional support (GHNS) services for children and young people, NHS England states they commission enteroscopy from 20 Paediatric Specialist GHNS Centres.		
Balloon Kyphoplasty	Monitored Approval	For painful vertebral compression fractures as per NICE IPG166		

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Bariatric Surgery	Monitored Approval	NOTE: Until a Greater Manchester Bariatric Surgery Policy has been developed and then adopted by the CCG, the CCG will continue to use NHS England's policy criteria for bariatric surgery. • Patient's should be referred to the local weight management pathways in the first instance. • Once they have complied with this they will be offered surgery if they meet the criteria. NHSE complex and specialised obesity surgery policy April 2013 NHSE Revision Obesity Surgery Aug 2014		
Body Contouring Includes: Panniculectomy (Apronectomy)	Monitored Approval and Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Body Contouring	Body Contouring	Body Contouring
Breast Surgery (Aesthetic) Includes: Breast Augmentation; Revision of Breast Augmentation; Breast Reduction; Gynaecomastia; Breast Lifts (Mastopexy); Breast Asymmetry; Nipple Inversion; PIP Implants	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Breast Surgery (Aesthetic)	Breast Surgery (Aesthetic)	Breast Asymmetry Breast Augmentation Breast Lift (Mastopexy) Breast Reduction Gynaecomastia (Adolescent) Gynaecomastia (Adult) Inverted Nipple Correction Revision of Breast Augmentation
Breast Reduction (includes) gynaecomastia - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Breast Surgery (Aesthetic) applies - please see above policy.		
Bunion (Hallux Valgus) Surgery	Monitored Approval	Bunion (Hallux Valgus) Surgery	Bunion (Hallux Valgus) Surgery	Bunion (Hallux Valgus) Surgery
Caesarean Section	Monitored Approval	Caesarean Section	Caesarean Section	Caesarean Section
Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (Surgical Interventions for)	Individual Prior Approval	Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (Surgical Interventions for)	Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (Surgical Interventions for)	Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (Surgical Interventions for)
Carpal Tunnel Syndrome - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (surgical intervention for) applies - please see above policy.		
Cataract Surgery	Monitored Approval	Cataract Surgery	Cataract Surgery	Cataract Surgery
Chalazia removal - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Eyelid Lesions (Removal of Common Benign) applies - please see policy below		
Circumcision (Surgical procedures on the prepuce)	Monitored Approval	Circumcision (Surgical procedures on the prepuce)	Circumcision (Surgical procedures on the prepuce)	Circumcision (Surgical procedures on the prepuce)
Communication Aids (Non-Specialist Augmentative and Alternative (AAC))	Individual Prior Approval Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Communication Aids	Communication Aids	Communication Aids
Complementary and Alternative Therapies	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Complementary and Alternative Therapies	Complementary and Alternative Therapies	Complementary and Alternative Therapies
Complex Gastrointestinal Referrals	Individual Prior Approval	Specialist service provided by SRFT, clinically appropriate, but a deviation from tariff.		
Continence Product - Peristeen Anal Irrigation	Monitored Approval	NHS Salford - Anal Irrigation NOTE: Anal irrigation systems are outside the scope of the NHS England Specialist Service.		

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Continuous Glucose Monitoring (Real-Time)	Monitored Approval <u>and</u> Individual Prior Approval <u>and</u> Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Continuous Glucose Monitoring (Real-Time)	Continuous Glucose Monitoring (Real-Time)	Continuous Glucose Monitoring (Adult) Continuous Glucose Monitoring (Child)
Cough Assist (Mechanical Insufflation and Exsufflation (MI-E))	Monitored Approval <u>and</u> Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Cough Assist	Cough Assist	Cough Assist
Dermatochalasis (Correction of)	Individual Prior Approval <u>and</u> Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Dermatochalasis (Correction of)	Dermatochalasis (Correction of)	Dermatochalasis (Correction of)
Dilatation and Curettage (D&C) and Hysterectomy for Heavy Menstrual Bleeding (HMB)	Individual Prior Approval <u>and</u> Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	D&C and Hysterectomy for heavy menstrual bleeding	D&C and Hysterectomy for heavy menstrual bleeding	D&C and Hysterectomy for heavy menstrual bleeding
Dilatation and Curettage (D&C) for Heavy Menstrual Bleeding (HMB) - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	GM EUR Policy for Dilatation and Curettage (D&C) and Hysterectomy for Heavy Menstrual Bleeding (HMB) applies - please see above		
Drainage of the middle ear, Surgical (with or without the insertion of grommets)	Monitored Approval <u>and</u> Individual Prior Approval	Drainage of the middle ear, Surgical (with or without the insertion of grommets)	Drainage of the middle ear, Surgical (with or without the insertion of grommets)	Drainage of the middle ear, Surgical (with or without the insertion of grommets)
Dupuytren's Contracture	Monitored Approval	Dupuytren's Contracture	Dupuytren's Contracture	Dupuytren's Contracture
Dupuytren's contracture release with in adults - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Dupuytren's Contracture applies - please see above policy.		
Ear Wax Removal	Monitored Approval	NHS Salford - Aural Toileting Techniques		
Electrolysis and Laser Hair Removal for Hirsutism	Individual Prior Approval	NOTE: Hair removal for patients going through gender realignment is commissioned by NHS England. Electrolysis and Laser Hair Removal For Hirsutism	Electrolysis and Laser Hair Removal For Hirsutism	Electrolysis and Laser Hair Removal for Hirsutism
Endoscopic Thoracic Sympathectomy (ETS) for Facial Blushing	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Endoscopic Thoracic Sympathectomy (ETS) for Facial Blushing	Endoscopic Thoracic Sympathectomy (ETS) for Facial Blushing	Endoscopic Thoracic Sympathectomy (ETS) for facial blushing
Experimental and Unproven Treatments	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Experimental and Unproven Treatments	Experimental and Unproven Treatments	Experimental and Unproven Treatments

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Extracorporeal Shockwave Therapy for Musculoskeletal and Soft Tissue Indications (ESWT)	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Is not commissioned. Please use the Experimental and Unproven Treatments policy	Experimental and Unproven Treatments	Experimental and Unproven Treatments
Eyelid Lesions (Removal of Common Benign)	Monitored Approval <u>and</u> Individual Prior Approval	Eyelid Lesions (Removal of Common Benign)	Eyelid Lesions (Removal of Common Benign)	Eyelid Lesions (Removal of Common Benign)
Facet Joint Injections	Monitored Approval <u>and</u> Individual Prior Approval	Facet Joint Injections	Facet Joint Injections	Facet Joint Injections
Functional Electronic Stimulation (FES) for Foot Drop	Individual Prior Approval	Functional Electronic Stimulation (FES) for Foot Drop	Functional Electronic Stimulation (FES) for Foot Drop	Functional Electrical Stimulation (FES) for Foot Drop
Gallstones (Asymptomatic)	Monitored Approval	Gallstones (Asymptomatic)	Gallstones (Asymptomatic)	Gallstones (Asymptomatic)
Ganglion Cyst Removal	Monitored Approval	Ganglion Cyst Removal	Ganglion Cyst Removal	Ganglion Cyst Removal
Ganglion excision - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Ganglion Cyst Removal applies - please see above policy.		
Grommets for glue ear in Children - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Drainage of the middle ear, surgical (with or without the insertion of grommets) applies - please see above policy.		
Haemorrhoids and anal skin tags (Surgical management (including banding) of)	Monitored Approval <u>and</u> Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Haemorrhoids and anal skin tags (Surgical management (including banding) of)	Haemorrhoids and anal skin tags (Surgical management (including banding) of)	Haemorrhoids and Anal Skin Tags
Haemorrhoid Surgery - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Haemorrhoids and anal skin tags (Surgical management (including banding) of) applies - please see above policy.		
Hair Replacement Technologies	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Hair Replacement Technologies	Hair Replacement Technologies	Hair Replacement Technologies
Headache Disorders	Monitored Approval <u>and</u> Individual Prior Approval <u>and</u> Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Headache Disorders	Headache Disorders	Headache Disorders
Hernia (Surgical Repair of Hernias)	Monitored Approval <u>and</u> Individual Prior Approval <u>and</u> Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Hernia Repair	Hernia Repair	Hernia Repair

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Hip Arthroscopy	Monitored Approval			
Hip Replacement	Monitored Approval and Individual Prior Approval	Hip Replacement	Hip Replacement	Hip Replacement
Hyaluronic Acid Injections for Osteoarthritis	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Hyaluronic Acid Injections for Osteoarthritis	Hyaluronic Acid Injections for Osteoarthritis	Hyaluronic Acid Injections for Osteoarthritis
Hyperhidrosis	Monitored Approval	Hyperhidrosis	Hyperhidrosis	Hyperhidrosis
Hysterectomy for Heavy Menstrual Bleeding - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR Policy for Dilatation and Curettage (D&C) and Hysterectomy for Heavy Menstrual Bleeding (HMB) applies - please see above		
Injections for non-specific low back pain - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policies for Back Pain (Treatment for low back pain with or without sciatica) & Facet Joint Injections apply - please see above policies.		
Knee Arthroscopy	Individual Prior Approval and Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Knee Arthroscopy	Knee Arthroscopy	Knee Arthroscopy
Knee Arthroscopy for patients with osteoarthritis - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Knee Arthroscopy applies - please see above policy.		
Knee Replacement	Monitored Approval and Individual Prior Approval	Knee Replacement	Knee Replacement	Knee Replacement
Labioplasty	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Labioplasty	Labioplasty	Labioplasty
Laser Eye Surgery (Photorefractive surgery for the correction of refractive errors)	Individual Prior Approval and Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Laser Eye Surgery	Laser Eye Surgery	Laser Eye Surgery

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Lycra Body Suits	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Lycra Body Suits	Lycra Body Suits	Lycra Body Suits
MRI scanning (Wide bore, open and open upright)	Individual Prior Approval and Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	MRI scanning (Wide bore, open and open upright)	MRI scanning (Wide bore, open and open upright)	MRI scanning (Wide bore, open and open upright)
Orthoses, bespoke orthoses & 24-hour posture management	Monitored Approval and Individual Prior Approval	Orthoses, bespoke orthoses & 24-hour posture management	Orthoses, bespoke orthoses & 24-hour posture management	Orthoses, bespoke orthoses & 24-hour posture management
Pelvic Vein Embolisation in the management of varicose veins	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Pelvic Vein Embolisation in the management of varicose veins	Pelvic Vein Embolisation in the management of varicose veins	Pelvic Vein Embolisation in the management of varicose veins
Penile Implants	Individual Prior Approval			
Pinnaplasty	Monitored Approval	Pinnaplasty	Pinnaplasty	Pinnaplasty
Removal of benign skin lesions - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Skin Lesions (Common Benign) applies - please see policy below.		
Rhinoplasty / Septoplasty / Septorhinoplasty	Monitored Approval and Individual Prior Approval	Rhinoplasty / Septoplasty / Septo-Rhinoplasty	Rhinoplasty / Septoplasty / Septo-Rhinoplasty	Rhinoplasty / Septoplasty / Septo-Rhinoplasty
Rhinosinusitis / Rhinitis / Sinusitis	Monitored Approval	Rhinosinusitis / Rhinitis / Sinusitis	Rhinosinusitis / Rhinitis / Sinusitis	Rhinosinusitis / Rhinitis / Sinusitis
Sacrneuromodulation for Urinary Retention and Constipation	Individual Prior Approval and Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Sacrneuromodulation for Urinary Retention and Constipation	Sacrneuromodulation for Urinary Retention and Constipation	Sacrneuromodulation for Urinary Retention and Constipation
Scarring (Surgical revision of)	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Scarring (Surgical revision of)	Scarring (Surgical revision of)	Scarring (Surgical revision of)
Servox Communication Aids following Laryngectomy	Monitored Approval	Commissioned for <u>adults only</u> providing it is clinically appropriate, up to a cost of £750.		
Shockwave Therapy to treat urinary stones	Monitored Approval	Shockwave Lithotripsy used to treat urinary stones is routinely commissioned.		
Shoulder Impingement (arthroscopic subacromial decompression for)	Individual Prior Approval	Shoulder Impingement	Shoulder Impingement	Shoulder Impingement
Simple Airflow Studies	Monitored Approval	NOTE: Please also refer to NHS England for Adult highly specialist respiratory services / Specialised Respiratory		

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Simple and Complex Gas Exchange Studies	Monitored Approval	NOTE: Please also refer to NHS England for Adult highly specialist respiratory services / Specialised Respiratory		
Sinus X-ray	Individual Prior Approval			
Skin Lesions (Common Benign)	Monitored Approval	Skin Lesions (Common Benign)	Skin Lesions (Common Benign)	Skin Lesions (Common Benign)
Skin Resurfacing Techniques	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Skin Resurfacing Techniques	Skin Resurfacing Techniques	Skin Resurfacing Techniques
Sleep Apnoea (Surgical Treatment)	Individual Prior Approval	NOTE: See also the GM Tonsillectomy policy for snoring and sleep apnoea in children.		
Snoring (Invasive treatments for)	Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Snoring (Invasive treatments for)	Snoring (Invasive treatments for)	Snoring (Invasive treatments for)
Snoring surgery (in the absence of sleep apnoea) - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Invasive Snoring (invasive treatments for) applies - please see above policy.		
Spinal procedures (Out of contract)	Individual Prior Approval and Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Spinal procedures (Out of contract)	Spinal procedures (Out of contract)	Spinal procedures (Out of contract)
Split / Torn Ear Lobes (Repair of)	Monitored Approval	Split / Torn Ear Lobes (Repair of)	Split / Torn Ear Lobes (Repair of)	Split / Torn Ear Lobes (Repair of)
Squint Surgery (Surgical Correction of adult Strabismus)	Monitored Approval and Individual Prior Approval and Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Strabismus (squint surgery)	Strabismus (squint surgery)	Strabismus (squint surgery)
Tattoo Removal	Individual Prior Approval	Tattoo Removal	Tattoo Removal	Tattoo Removal
Tongue Tie (Surgical management of ankyloglossia)	Monitored Approval and Individual Funding Request (Exceptional Case) Approval	Tongue Tie	Tongue Tie	Tongue Tie
Tonsillectomy	Monitored Approval	Tonsillectomy	Tonsillectomy	Tonsillectomy
Tonsillectomy for recurrent tonsillitis - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Tonsillectomy applies - please see above policy.		
Trigger Finger (Surgical Correction of)	Individual Prior Approval	Trigger Finger (Surgical Correction of)	Trigger Finger (Surgical Correction of)	Trigger Finger (Surgical Correction of)
Trigger Finger release in adults - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Trigger Finger (surgical correction of) applies - please see above policy.		

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Trophic Electrical Stimulation (TES) for Facial Palsy	Individual Prior Approval	Trophic Electrical Stimulation (TES) for Facial Palsy	Trophic Electrical Stimulation (TES) for Facial Palsy	Trophic Electrical Stimulation (TES) for Facial Palsy
Ultrasound and Pulsed Electromagnetic Systems (PES) for bone healing	Monitored Approval and Individual Prior Approval	Ultrasound and Pulsed Electromagnetic Systems (PES) for bone healing	Ultrasound and Pulsed Electromagnetic Systems (PES) for bone healing	Ultrasound and Pulsed Electromagnetic Systems (PES) for bone healing
Varicose Veins	Monitored Approval and Individual Prior Approval	Varicose Veins	Varicose Veins	Varicose Veins
Varicose Veins interventions - NHS England Evidence Based Intervention		GM EUR policy for Varicose Veins applies - please see above policy.		

Version	Date	Details
v1.0	14/02/2014	Approved version
v1.1	28/02/2014	Subfertility Policy: Section 3.6 amended to read "First treatment cycles must be commenced before the woman's 43rd birthday".
v1.2	01/04/2014	Surgery to correct short sightedness (Monitored Approval) removed from policy
v1.3	10/06/2014	Line added for Hyaluronic Acid Injections for Osteoarthritis - new GM EUR Policy
v1.4	15/07/2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cosmetic Surgery - Breast Surgery policy superceded by GM EUR Policy for Aesthetic Breast Surgery. • Tonsillectomy - Policy superceded by GM EUR Policy • Line added for Lycra Body Suits - new GM EUR Policy
v1.5	03/10/2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inclusion of GM EUR policy for Cataract Surgery. • Line added for Pelvic Vein Embolisation - new GM EUR Policy.
v1.6	11/11/2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cosmetic Surgery - Vaginal Surgery, e.g. labiaplasty' policy superceded by GM EUR Policy for Labiaplasty • 'Excision of Benign skin lesions (excluding suspected cancer)' policy superceded by GM EUR Policy for Common Benign Skin Lesions • 'Thread Veins' line removed as policy superceded by GM EUR Policy for Common Benign Skin Lesions • 'Viral Wart Surgery' line removed as policy superceded by GM EUR Policy for Common Benign Skin Lesions • Line added for Persistent Non-Specific Low Back Pain - new GM EUR Policy • Line added for Hyperhidrosis - new GM EUR Policy
v1.7	22/01/2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Apronectomy/Other Body Contouring' and 'Liposuction' policies superceded by GM EUR Policy for Body Contouring • 'Blepharoplasties' policy superceded by GM EUR Policy for Correction of Eyelid Ptosis • 'Dupuytren's Contracture' policy superceded by GM EUR Policy for Dupuytren's Contracture • 'Pinnaplasty, Otoplasty or Prominent Ears for Adults' policy superceded by GM EUR Policy for Pinnaplasty • 'Varicose Veins Surgery' policy superceded by GM EUR Policy for Varicose Veins • Line added for Bunion Surgery - new GM EUR Policy • Line added for Ganglion Cyst Removal - new GM EUR Policy • Line added for Sacroneuromodulation for Urinary Retention and Constipation - new GM EUR Policy
v1.8	10/02/2015	<p>Reformatted to simplify and clarify:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date on top of policy changed to date of version change. • NHS England commissioned treatments taken out. • Alphabeticized and numbers removed • Comments and Review date columns deleted and any comments added to commissioning statement.
v2.0	02/03/2015	<p>Schedule Refresh amendments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Servox Communication Aids policy added • Sperm Washing/IVF for patients with HIV, Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C policy added • References to: "All Dermatology Services are commissioned by NHS England at Salford Royal FT" removed
v2.1	11/06/2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abnormally Placed Hair policy superceded by GM policy for Hair Electrolysis & Laser Hair Removal for Hirsutism • Correction of Hair Loss (Alopecia) policy superceded by GM policy for Hair Replacement Technologies for Alopecia • Hair Removal/Reduction (Laser and Electrolysis) policy superceded by GM policy for Hair Electrolysis & Laser Hair Removal for Hirsutism • Hair Transplantation policy superceded by GM policy for Hair Replacement Technologies for Alopecia • Rhinoplasty policy superceded by GM policy for Rhinoplasty/Septoplasty/Septorhinoplasty • Scar revision policy superceded by GM policy for Surgical Revision of Scarring • Snoring (Surgical Treatment) policy superceded by GM policy for Invasive Treatments for Snoring • Tattoo Removal (cosmetic) policy superceded by GM policy for Tattoo Removal
v2.2	22/07/2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM EUR Aesthetic Breast Surgery policy superseded by reviewed version 2.0, now incorporating Nipple Inversion and DoH advice on PIP Implants. Removal and Replacement of PIP Breast Implants policy removed as now superseded by this version. • GM EUR Hyaluronic Acid Injections policy superseded by reviewed version 2.0 • GM EUR Lycra Body Suits policy superseded by reviewed version 2.0 • GM EUR Tonsillectomy policy superseded by reviewed version 2.0

v2.3	18/09/2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skin resurfacing techniques policy superseded by GM EUR Skin Resurfacing Techniques policy • GM EUR Endoscopic Thoracic Sympathectomy for Facial Blushing policy added • Repair of External Ear Lobes policy superseded by GM EUR Repair of Split / Torn Ear Lobes policy • Complementary Therapies policy superseded by GM EUR Complementary and Alternative Therapies policy • Xanthelasma palpebrum policy superseded by GM EUR Removal of Common Benign Eyelid Lesions policy
V2.4	16/12/2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Policy for Cataract Surgery superseded by reviewed version V2.0 • GM Policy for Common Benign Skin Lesions superseded by reviewed version V2.0 • GM Policy for Dupuytren's Contracture superseded by reviewed version V2.0 • GM Policy for Hyperhidrosis superseded by reviewed version V2.0 • GM Policy for Labiaplasty superseded by reviewed version V2.0 • GM Policy for Pelvic Vein Embolisation superseded by reviewed version V2.0 • GM Policy for non-specific low back pain superseded by reviewed version V2.0 • GM Aesthetic Breast Policy minor changes made to add clarity within the policy • GM Policy for Electrolysis & Laser Hair Removal note added for clarification regarding the number of electrolysis sessions funded. • GM Policy for Lycra Body Suits – Appendix added to show the difference between a lycra body suit and dynamic lycra orthotics.
v3.0	07/03/2016	<p>16/17 Schedule Refresh:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Aesthetic Breast policy superseded by v2.2 - minor changes made to add clarity within the policy • GM Cataract Surgery policy superseded by v2.1 - minor changes made to add clarity within the policy • GM Labiaplasty policy superseded by v2.1 - minor changes made to add clarity within the policy • GM Correction of Eyelid Ptosis policy superseded by reviewed version v2.0 • GM Body Contouring policy superseded by reviewed version v2.0 • GM Pinnaplasty policy superseded by reviewed version v2.1 • GM Sacroneuromodulation for Urinary Retention and Constipation policy superseded by reviewed version v2.0 • GM Ganglion Removal policy superseded by reviewed version v2.0 • GM Bunion Removal policy superseded by reviewed version v2.0
v3.1	09/05/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laser treatment for acne scarring policy removed as this is covered by the GM Skin Resurfacing Techniques Policy • GM Trophic Electrical Stimulation (TES) for Facial Palsy Policy v1.1 added • GM Functional Electronic Stimulation (FES) for Foot Drop Policy v1.1 added • Oxygen Assessment and Monitoring policy removed • Commissioner amended to 'CCG and NHS England' on Simple Airflow Studies and Simple and Complex Gas Exchange Studies policies.
v3.2	01/08/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Ultrasound and Pulsed Electromagnetic Systems (PES) for bone healing Policy v1.2 added • GM Facet Joint Injections for back and neck pain Policy v1.1 added • GM Radiofrequency Denervation for back and neck pain Policy v1.1 added
v3.3	12/08/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Electrolysis & Laser Hair Removal for Hirsutism; GM Hair Replacement Technologies for Alopecia; GM Tattoo Removal; GM Rhinoplasty / Septoplasty / Septo-Rhinoplasty; GM Invasive Treatments for Snoring; GM Surgical Revision of Scarring policies all superseded with v2.0 after annual review (with changes made to only Electrolysis & Laser Hair Removal for Hirsutism and Rhinoplasty / Septoplasty / Septo-Rhinoplasty). • GM Body Contouring policy superseded with v2.2 after amendment for clarity.
v3.4	30/09/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bariatric Surgery Policy added (CCG's using NHS England's policy during 16/17) • Note added to Sub-Fertility Policy Commissioning Statement to submit an IFR if patient does not meet policy.
v3.5	04/10/2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Circumcision' policy superceded by GM EUR Policy for Operations of the Prepuce (Circumcision). • GM EUR Policy for Experimental & Unproven Treatments added.
v4.0	13/12/2016	<p>17/19 Schedule Refresh:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treatment list reformatted and contacts, info and links to summary docs and proformas added • The statement 'Commissioned in line with GM EUR position statement' removed from Carpal Tunnel line. • Dilatation & Curettage/Hysteroscopy; Hernia Surgery; Hysterectomy, Ingrowing Toenails, Knee/Hip Replacement and Vaginal Excision of the Uterus removed from treatment list. • Notes for NHS England re-written as some of the links don't exist anymore.
v4.1	11/01/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ring Pessary Changes policy removed. • Insertion and Removal of Inter-uterine Contraceptive Device policy removed.
v4.2	17/01/2017	Shockwave Therapy (all indications) changed to just Shockwave Therapy and policy statement added.

v4.3	13/03/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diagnostic Knee Arthroscopy and Therapeutic Endoscopic Operation on the cavity of Knee Joint (Knee Washout) policies superseded by GM EUR policy for Knee arthroscopy, lavage and debridement • Myringotomy/Grommets policy superseded by GM EUR policy for Surgical drainage of the middle ear (with or without the insertion of grommets) • GM EUR policy for Headache Disorders added • Lumbar Spine Procedures policy superseded by GM EUR policy for Out of contract spinal procedures • Some policies re-ordered for clarity
v4.4	26/06/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Aesthetic Breast policy reviewed with changes to criteria • GM Tonsillectomy policy reviewed with changes to criteria and a note on the line for Sleep Apnoea to say 'NOTE: See also the GM Tonsillectomy policy for snoring and sleep apnoea in children' • GM Functional Electronic Stimulation (FES) for Foot Drop policy reviewed with no changes to criteria • GM Trophic Electrical Stimulation (TES) for Facial Palsy policy reviewed with no changes to criteria • GM Hyaluronic Acid Injections for Osteoarthritis policy reviewed with no changes to criteria • GM Lycra Body Suits policy reviewed with no changes to criteria
v4.5	06/09/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuous Glucose Monitoring (Real-time devices with hypoglycemia alarms) added to the treatment list • Continuous Glucose Monitoring (in Pregnancy) added to treatment list
v4.6	13/09/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Aesthetic Breast Policy updated (slight amendment to a bullet point in criteria) • GM Facet Joint Injections for neck and back pain policy reviewed - Changes to criteria • GM Radiofrequency Denervation for back pain policy reviewed - Changes to criteria • GM Ultrasound and Pulsed Electromagnetic Systems (PES) for bone healing policy reviewed - No changes to criteria • GM Cataract Surgery policy reviewed - No changes to criteria • GM Experimental and Unproven Treatments policy reviewed - No changes to criteria • GM Operations on the Prepuce (Circumcision) policy reviewed - No changes to criteria
v4.7	29/09/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Aesthetic Breast Policy updated (slight amendment to a bullet point in criteria)
v4.8	05/10/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carpal Tunnel policy replaced by GM Surgical Interventions for Carpal Tunnel Syndrome policy • Trigger Finger policy replaced by GM Surgical Correction of Trigger Finger policy • Face or Brow Lift policy replaced by GM Other Aesthetic Policy • Reversal of Sterilisation - female/Reversal of Sterilisation - male, Sub-Fertility / Assisted Conception including IVF (In-vitro fertilisation) and Sperm Washing / IVF for people with HIV, Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C policies superceded by new Assisted Conception Policy based on GM template.
v5.0	28/12/2017	<p><u>17/19 Schedule Refresh</u> Policies reviewed at GM EUR Steering Group on 15/11/2017:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Labiaplasty policy - No changes to criteria • GM Dupuytren's policy - Changes to criteria (Moderate, Collagenese and Recurrent Disease sections) • GM Common Benign Skin Lesions - No changes to criteria • GM Cataract Surgery policy - No changes to criteria
v5.1	22/01/2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM policy for Eyelid Ptosis superseded by GM policy for Dermatochalasis (Correction of) • GM policy for Caesarean Section added • GM policy for MRI scanning (Wide bore, open and open upright) added
v5.2	28/03/2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Aesthetic Breast Surgery policy amended – Changes to criteria • GM Varicose veins policy amended – Changes to criteria • Hyperhidrosis policy reviewed – Changes to criteria • Bunion (Hallux Valgus) Surgery policy reviewed – Changes to criteria • Pinnaplasty policy reviewed – No changes to criteria • Sacroneuromodulation for Urinary Retention and Constipation policy reviewed – Changes to criteria
v5.3	20/04/2018	Adaptive Servo-ventilation (ASV) for Central Sleep Apnoea added as local policy.
v5.4	29/05/2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Persistent Non-Specific Low Back Pain Policy (GM021) replaced by GM Low Back Pain Policy (GM046) <p><u>Policies amended at GM EUR Steering Group on 17/01/2018 and 21/03/2018:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Other Aesthetic - Minor changes to v1.2 criteria for clarification • Assisted Conception Template - Changes to v1.3 criteria for clarification <p><u>Policies amended at GM EUR Steering Group on 21/03/2018:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hair Replacement Technologies - No change to criteria for v2.1 <p><u>Policies reviewed at GM EUR Steering Group on 21/03/2018:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headache Disorders – Minor changes to v2.0 criteria for clarification • Out of Contract Spinal Procedures - No change to criteria for v2.0 • Surgical Drainage of the Middle Ear - Minor changes to v2.0 criteria for clarification

v5.5	29/06/2018	<p><u>Policy amended at GM EUR Steering Group on 16/05/2018:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of Common Benign Eyelid Lesions - Minor change to criteria for v2.2 <p><u>Diagnostic codes amended for:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM003 Varicose Veins; • GM004 Radiofrequency Denervation for Back and Neck Pain • GM005 Trophic Electrical Stimulation (TES) for Facial Palsy; • GM006-GM010 Aesthetic Breast Surgery; • GM011-&GM019 Body Contouring; • GM013 Common Benign Skin Lesions; • GM014 Electrolysis & Laser Hair Removal for Hirsutism; • GM015 Drainage of the middle ear; • GM016 Hyperhidrosis; • GM017 Headache Disorders; • GM018 Out of contract spinal procedures; • GM022 Pelvic Vein Embolisation in the management of varicose veins; • GM024 Rhinoplasty / Septoplasty / Septo-Rhinoplasty; • GM027 Labiaplasty; • GM028 Tonsillectomy; • GM030 Complementary & Alternative Therapies; • GM031 Skin Resurfacing Techniques; • GM034 Knee arthroscopy, lavage and debridement; • GM036 Functional Electronic Stimulation (FES) for Foot Drop; • GM038 Trigger Finger (Surgical Correction of) • GM040 Other Aesthetic Surgery; • GM044 Common Benign Eyelid Lesions; • GM048 Correction of Dermatochalasis; • GM052 Bunion Surgery; • GM052 Caesarean Section; • GM066 Surgical Revision of Scarring; • GM067 Tattoo Removal; • GM068 Invasive Treatments for Snoring
v5.6	28/09/2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Varicose Veins policy (GM003) updated - Minor wording change for clarification in v2.4
v5.7	09/10/2018	<p>GM Surgical management (including banding) of haemorrhoids and anal skin tags policy v1.0 added</p>
v5.8	18/12/2018	<p><u>New GM policies approved at GM DoCs on 13/11/2018:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuous Glucose Monitoring (Real-time devices with hypoglycemia alarms) and Continuous Glucose Monitoring (in Pregnancy) policies superseded by new GM Continuous Glucose Monitoring policy v1.0 • GM Orthoses, bespoke orthoses & 24-hour Posture Management policy v1.0 added • GM Hip Replacement policy v1.0 added • GM Knee Replacement policy v1.0 added <p><u>GM policies updated following amendments to criteria and approval at GM DoCs on 13/11/2018:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Ganglion Cyst Removal policy v3.3 • GM Knee arthroscopy, lavage and debridement policy v2.4 <p><u>GM Policies amended (minor criteria change):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common Benign Skin Lesions v3.2 • Removal of Common Benign Eyelid Lesions v2.3
v5.9	24/12/2018	<p><u>Policy reviewed at GM EUR Steering Group on 19/09/2018:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assisted Conception Policy v2.0 - Change to criteria <p><u>Policies reviewed at GM EUR Steering Group on 21/11/2018:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Carpal Tunnel policy v2.0 - No change to criteria • GM Trigger Finger Policy v2.0 - Change to criteria • Other Aesthetic Surgery Policy v2.0 - Change to criteria <p><u>Policies amended at GM EUR Steering Group on 21/11/2018:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Varicose Veins Policy v2.5 - Change to criteria • GM Facet Joint Injections Policy v2.1 - Change to criteria
v5.10	22/01/2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Links updated as documents have all moved to a new EUR web address
v6.0	29/03/2019	<p><u>2019-2020 Schedule Refresh</u></p> <p><u>Treatment specific funding request forms added for following GM EUR policies:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Haemorrhoids and Anal Skin Tags • Hip Replacement • Knee Replacement • Orthoses, Bespoke Orthoses & 24-hour Posture Management • Continuous Glucose Monitoring (Adult) and (Child) • Out of Contract Spinal Procedures <p><u>Policies reviewed at GM EUR Steering Group on 16/01/2019</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GM MRI Scanning policy – slight change to criteria GM Correction of Dermatochalasis policy – no change to criteria GM Caesarean Section policy – slight change to criteria GM Pelvic Vein Embolisation policy – no change to criteria <p><u>Policy reviewed at GM EUR Steering Group on 20/03/2019</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Trigger Finger policy – changes to criteria • GM Ganglion policy – changes to criteria • GM Tonsillectomy policy – changes to criteria • GM Common Benign Eyelid Lesions policy – changes to criteria • GM Aesthetic Breast policy – changes to criteria • GM Common Benign Skin Lesions policy reviewed and updated <p><u>New GM EUR Policy added following approval by DoCs on 21/03/2019</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Shoulder Impingement (Arthroscopic subacromial decompression for) <p><u>GM Policies updated following amendments to criteria and approval at GM DoCs on 21/03/2019:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM New Back Pain policy – changes to criteria

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Low Back Pain policy – changes to criteria • GM Facet Joint Injections policy – changes to criteria <p><u>GM and Local Policies that have been removed</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM Radiofrequency Denervation policy- removed (now covered by GM Low Back Pain Policy) <p><u>NHS England's (NHSE) Evidence Based Interventions</u> added in yellow with advice on whether the NHSE or GM Policy commissioning criteria apply.</p>
v6.1	08/07/2019	<p>PbR Drugs List updated to 2019-20 v1.0</p> <p>PbR Devices List updated to 2019-20 v1.0</p>
6.2	16/09/2019	<p><u>New GM EUR Policies added</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM059 - Surgical Repair of Hernias • GM060 - Photorefractive (laser) surgery for the surgical correction of refractive errors • GM058 - Surgical correction of adult Strabismus (squint) • GM050 - Surgical management of Ankyloglossia (tongue tie) <p><u>Local Policies</u></p> <p>Added - Extracorporeal Shockwave Therapy for Musculoskeletal and Soft Tissue Indications (ESWT)</p> <p><u>Current GM EUR Policies</u></p> <p>The following policies have been reviewed by the GM EUR Steering Group and some minor changes have been made to the commissioning criteria (see version control of each policy for further details):-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Body Contouring • Electrolysis and Laser Hair Removal for Hirsutism • Hair Replacement Technologies • Snoring (Invasive treatment for) • Scarring (Surgical revision of) • Tattoo Removal • Hip Replacement • Knee Replacement • Low Back Pain • Other Aesthetic Surgery <p>The Clinical Exceptionality section in each GM EUR policy has been amended to read: Clinicians can submit an Individual Funding Request (IFR) outside of this guidance if they feel there is a good case for exceptionality. More information on determining clinical exceptionality can be found in the Greater Manchester (GM) Effective Use of Resources (EUR) Operational Policy. Link to GM EUR Operational Policy</p>
6.3	23/10/2019	<p><u>Current GM EUR Policies</u></p> <p>The following policies have been reviewed by the GM EUR Steering Group.</p> <p>No changes were made to the commissioning criteria in the following policies:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM030 Complementary and Alternative Therapies (v2.3 to v3.0) • GM042 Haemorrhoids and Anal Skin Tags (v1.3 to v2.0) • GM044 Common Benign Eyelid Lesions (v2.6 to v3.0) • GM062 Endoscopic Thoracic Sympathectomy (ETS) for facial blushing (v2.3 to v3.0) • GM023 Repair of Split and Torn Ear Lobes (v2.3 to v3.0) • GM031 Skin Resurfacing Techniques (v2.3 to v3.0) <p>Minor changes have been made to the commissioning criteria in the following policies. Please see the version control of each policy for further details.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM024 Rhinoplasty / Septoplasty / Septorhinoplasty (v2.4 to v3.0) • GM035 Carpal Tunnel (v2.2 to v2.3) • GM058 Surgical Correction of Adult Strabismus (squint) (v1.1 to v1.2)

6.4	20/01/2020	<p>The following new GM EUR Policies have been added following approval by Directors of Commissioning on 10/12/2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM072 D&C and Hysterectomy for heavy menstrual bleeding (v 1.0) • GM061 Gallstones (Asymptomatic) (v 1.0) • GM065 Rhinosinusitis/Rhinitis/Sinusitis (v 1.0) <p>The following policies have been recently reviewed by the GM EUR Steering Group. Please see version control of each policy for further details:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM039 Continuous Glucose Monitoring (Real-time) (v2.0) • GM036 Functional Electrical Stimulation (FES) for foot drop (v2.5) • GM025 Ganglion Cyst Removal (v 4.0) • GM056 Hip Replacement (v2.0) • GM051 Knee Replacement (v 2.0) • GM043 Orthoses, bespoke orthoses & 24 hour posture management (v 2.0) • GM063 Ultrasound and Pulsed Electromagnetic Systems (PES) for bone healing (v 3.0) <p>The Assisted Conception policy has been moved to a more user friendly format and slightly amended, please see version control for further details.</p>
6.5	10/09/2020	<p>The EUR team generic email addresses have been updated as follows;</p> <p>gm.eur@nhs.net gm.policyfeedback@nhs.net</p>
6.6	17/11/2020	<p><u>New GM Policies added following approval by DoCs on 10/11/2020</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM057 - Non-Specialist Augmentative and Alternative Communication Aids v1.0 • GM073 - Cough Assist (Mechanical Insufflation and Exsufflation (MI-E)) v1.0 <p><u>Current GM EUR Policies</u></p> <p>The following policies have been reviewed by the GM EUR Steering Group.</p> <p>No changes were made to the commissioning criteria in the following policies:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM060 Photorefractive (laser) surgery for the correction of refractive errors (v1.1 to v2.0) <p>Minor changes have been made to the commissioning criteria in the following policies. Please see the version control of each policy for further details.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM044 Common Benign Eyelid Lesions (v3.0 to v3.1) • GM049 Dupuytren's Contracture (v3.2 to v3.3) • GM017 Headache Disorders (v2.3 to v2.5) • GM059 Hernias (Surgical repair of) (v1.2 to v2.0) • GM056 Hip Replacement (v2.0 to v2.1) • GM051 Knee Replacement (v2.0 to v2.1) • GM032 Shoulder Impingement (Arthroscopic sub-acromial decompression for:) (v1.1 to v2.0) • GM058 Surgical correction of Adult Strabismus (Squint) (v1.2 to v2.0) • GM050 Surgical management of Ankyloglossia (tongue tie) (v1.1 to v2.0) • GM067 Tattoo Removal (v3.0 to v3.1) • GM038 Trigger Finger (v2.3 to v2.4) <p><u>Slight amendments have been made to either the diagnostic or procedure codes in the following policies (please see version control for further details):-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GM072 Dilatation and curettage (D&C) and Hysterectomy for heavy menstrual bleeding (v1.2 to v1.3) • GM042 Surgical management (including banding) of haemorrhoids and anal skin tags (v2.0 to v2.2) • GM003 Varicose Veins (v2.8 to v2.9) - Amendment to Appendix 3 Diagnostic and Procedure codes <p><u>PbR Drugs and Devices Lists updated</u> to those approved by GMMMG High Cost Drugs Sub Group on 24th June 2020.</p>