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Your Request:

1a) Is there currently a commissioning policy at Cheshire and Merseyside ICB for Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM) for people with a diagnosis of type 1 diabetes (Adults & Pediatrics); and b) could a copy of the commissioning policy be shared?

1b) If yes to 1a), has the CGM policy been updated to reflect the recommendations from the updated NICE Diabetes Guidelines (NG 17, NG18 & NG28) published in March 2022?

1c) If no to 1a), when is the CGM policy for both adults and pediatrics expected to be in place?

Our Response:

1a - c) At the NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB Board Meeting held on 27 October 2022, it was agreed that the former CCG commissioning policies in respect of CGMs be retired, and the recommendations within NICE guidance NG17, NG18 and NG28 be adopted.

Further information in respect of this can be found within the Board Meeting papers (page 111) which is publicly available on our website via the following link: <https://www.cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk/media/ttplkkyj/icb-meeting-agenda-papers-271022-public.pdf>

Your Request:

2) Has Cheshire and Merseyside ICB agreed on any plans to commission hybrid closed loop technology (HCL) insulin pumps in the 2023-24 NHS financial year? Could these plans be disclosed?

Our Response:

2) NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB will consider the commissioning of hybrid closed loop (HCL) insulin pumps in 2023-24 when the NICE Technology Appraisal (TA) Hybrid closed loop systems for managing blood glucose levels in type 1 diabetes is published www.nice.org.uk/guidance/indevelopment/gid-ta10845

Your Request:

3) How many individuals have HCL pump funding support across your Cheshire and Merseyside ICB?

Our Response:

3) NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB does not hold information on the total number of patients within our geographical area who have pump funding support for HCL pumps. This information would be held by individual NHS Trusts.

Your Request:

4) Has Cheshire and Merseyside ICB held any meeting(s) to discuss financial planning in the context of commissioning hybrid closed loop technology (HCL) for 2023-34 NHS financial year? And could any meetings minutes relevant to this question be disclosed?

Our Response:

4) NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB has not yet held any meetings to discuss the financial planning in respect of commissioning HCL technology for the 2023/24 financial year. Please refer to the response to Question 2.