

**Reference: FOI.ICB-2324/158**

**Subject: Harmonisation of Varicose Veins Policies Workstream**

*I can confirm that the ICB **does hold the information requested**; please see responses below:*

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>I am writing to you today to request information about the harmonisation of varicose veins policies workstream.</p> <p>Specifically, I would like to know who is responsible for aligning the CCG policies into 1 ICB policy, what their contact information is, and the current status of the workstream please.</p>	<p>The commissioning policy for Varicose Veins Surgery is currently under review. The team coordinating this review are BNSSG ICB's Commissioning Policy Development team. They can be contacted at <a href="mailto:bnssg.commissioning.policy@nhs.net">bnssg.commissioning.policy@nhs.net</a></p> <p>A draft of the revised policy is due to be considered at October's meeting of the ICS's Commissioning Policy Review Group. At this meeting, the group will make a decision on whether to recommend the revised policy for adoption by BNSSG ICB.</p>

***The information provided in this response is accurate as of 25 July 2023 and has been approved for release by Dr Joanne Medhurst, Chief Medical Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.***