

Reference: FOI. ICB-2526/312

Subject: NHS Funding Criteria for Body Contouring Surgery Following Weight Loss

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

QUESTION	RESPONSE
For each of the questions below please provide any relevant policies and information regarding how long the policy has been in place and/or if a policy is being planned or considered or is potentially changing in the future:	
1. Do you either routinely fund, or provide criteria based access to funding for any form of body contouring surgery e.g. apronectomy, following massive weight loss?	No
2. If you do provide criteria based access, please provide details of the criteria, or where these details where this information can be found.	N/A
3. If you provide either criteria based access or routine funding, is this just for apronectomy, or is access provided to other body contouring procedures after massive weightloss e.g. brachioplasty.	N/A
4. If you provide criteria based funding, is any form of prior approval required before listing the patient.	N/A

5. How long has the current policy been in place, and are there any planned or pending changes to this policy?	No changes to adopt a policy to this effect.
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The information provided in this response is accurate as of 30 December 2025 and has been approved for release by Dr Joanne Medhurst, Chief Medical Officer for NHS Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire ICB.