

Commissioning Statement:

<p>Condition or Treatment:</p>	<p>Hyperhidrosis Treatment with Botulinum Toxin</p>
<p>Background:</p>	<p>Hyperhidrosis is a condition characterised by excessive sweating, and can be generalised or focal. Generalised hyperhidrosis involves the entire body, and is usually part of an underlying condition, most often an infectious, endocrine or neurological disorder. Focal hyperhidrosis is an idiopathic disorder of excessive sweating that mainly affects the axillae, the palms, the soles of the feet, armpits and the face of otherwise healthy people. The principal management strategies for hyperhidrosis are medical https://cks.nice.org.uk/hyperhidrosis</p> <p>Botulinum Toxin is only licensed for the treatment of severe axillary hyperhidrosis and its cost effectiveness compared to other treatment options is yet to be established.</p>
<p>Commissioning Position:</p>	<p>Botulinum Toxin will only be funded in the management of severe axillary hyperhidrosis in accordance with the criteria below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The search for an underlying cause has been exhausted <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice on lifestyle management has been followed (use an antiperspirant frequently, Avoid tight clothing and manmade fabrics, wear white or black clothing to minimize the signs of sweating, consider dress shields to absorb excess sweat) <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20% aluminium chloride hexahydrate has failed or is contraindicated <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any underlying anxiety has been identified and managed <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the opinion of an experienced dermatologist, other treatment options have been exhausted <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The patient is 17 years or older <p>There must be a minimum of 6 months duration between Botulin Toxin injections.</p>

Referral Guidance:	Exceptional cases can be referred to the CCG's Individual Funding Request Panel for prior approval. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• HRW/SR GP Practices: https://ifryh.necsu.nhs.uk/• HaRD GP practices: Referral Form
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Additional Information/References: