

**Commissioning Statement:**

<b>Condition or Treatment:</b>	Liposuction
<b>Background:</b>	Liposuction (also known as liposculpture), is a surgical procedure performed to improve body shape by removing unwanted fat from areas of the body such as abdomen, hips, thighs, calves, ankles, upper arms, chin, neck and back. Liposuction is sometimes done as an adjunct to other surgical procedures.
<b>Commissioning position:</b>	Liposuction simply to correct the distribution of fat will not be funded. Surgery for primarily cosmetic reasons is not eligible for NHS funding.
<b>Referral Guidance:</b>	Exceptional cases can be referred to the CCG's Individual Funding Request Panel for prior approval. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HRW/SR GP Practices: <a href="https://ifryh.necsu.nhs.uk/">https://ifryh.necsu.nhs.uk/</a></li> <li>• HaRD GP practices: <a href="#">Referral Form</a></li> </ul>
<b>Effective From:</b>	1 July 2021
<b>Summary of evidence/ rationale:</b>	It is the responsibility of NHS North Yorkshire CCG to commission the most clinically and cost effective treatments for its local population within the resources available to it. Treatments which are primarily cosmetic in nature are, therefore, considered a low priority.
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**Additional Information/References:**