

**Commissioning Statement:**

<b>Condition or Treatment:</b>	Septorhinoplasty, Rhinoplasty, and Septoplasty for nasal deformities
<b>Background:</b>	Septorhinoplasty, Rhinoplasty, and Septoplasty for nasal deformities are surgical procedures performed on the nose to change its size or shape or both. People usually ask for this procedure to improve self-image. The policy applies to all three procedures of Septorhinoplasty, Rhinoplasty, and Septoplasty.
<b>Commissioning Position:</b>	<p>Rhinoplasty, Septoplasty, or Septorhinoplasty for nasal deformities will only be funded in accordance with the criteria specified below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where conservative treatment has been exhausted;</li> </ul> <p>AND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Problems caused by obstruction of the nasal airway</li> </ul> <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objective nasal deformity caused by direct trauma and the treatment is required at the time of, or soon after the acute episode and before permanent healing has occurred.</li> </ul> <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Correction of complex congenital conditions to improve function e.g. cleft lip and palate.</li> </ul> <p>Surgery for primarily cosmetic reasons is not eligible for NHS funding.</p>
<b>Effective From:</b>	1 July 2021
<b>Date:</b>	December 2020
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