

Commissioning Statement:

Condition or Treatment:	Pinnaplasty (Otoplasty)
Background:	Pinnaplasty is performed for the correction of prominent ears or bat ears. Prominent ears are a condition where one's ears stick out more than normal.
Commissioning position:	Correction is considered to be a primarily a cosmetic procedure. Surgery for primarily cosmetic reasons is not eligible for NHS funding. The exception to this policy is procedures (remodelling of external ear lobe) in children with congenital abnormalities of the ear to improve hearing as this is covered by Specialised commissioning and should be managed through the specialised commissioning route.
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: