Dear Colleagues,

**Notification of 1st February 2021 changes to BSW CCG Restricted Services Policies**

Since the formal merger of BSW CCG on 1st April 2020, the CCG has continued to focus on developing consistency in services and policies across the CCG footprint.

This update gives formal notice of further work undertaken by BSW CCG to align previous separate clinical policies into a single BSW CCG policy. The following Clinical Policies were reviewed and ratified by the BSW Quality and Performance Assurance Committee (QPAC) on 12th November 2020 and the changes are as follows:

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| **Policy Name** | **Changes** | **Criteria** |  **QPAC** |
| Haemorrhoids Policy | New Single Policy –BSW Wide | CBA | 12/11/2020 |
| Benign Skin Lesion | New Single Policy –BSW Wide | Prior Approval | 12/11/2020 |
| Knee Arthroscopy | New Single Policy – BSW Wide | CBA | 12/11/2020 |
| FES | New Single Policy –BSW Wide | CBA | 12/11/2020 |
| Exogen | New Single Policy –BSW Wide | ExceptionalFunding | 12/11/2020 |
| Minor Foot Policy - BaNES | Policy Retired | N/A | 12/11/2020 |
| Rhinosinusitis -Swindon | Policy Retired | N/A | 12/11/2020 |
| Lycra Splinting -Swindon | Policy Retired | N/A | 12/11/2020 |

The new policies will be available to download and review from the EFR webpage, sometime next week but will be clearly marked, as **effective only from 1st February 2021.**

EFR webpage: <https://bswccg.nhs.uk/your-health/what-we-do-and-don-t-fund>

Should you have any further questions please don’t hesitate to contact the team at bswccg.efr@nhs.net

 Kind regards

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