Ref: FOI/00087/CMICB 27 September 2022

Your Request:

I am requesting the following information in respect of:

- Diabetes (SMBG test strips/pen needles)
- Wound Care
- Urology
- Oral contraceptives

For each area:

1) The name(s) and direct contact email address(es) and direct telephone numbers of the person(s) in your Medicines Management team/ICB/Health Board who are responsible for the formulary

Our Response:

- 1) Please note from 01 July 2022, Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs) were disestablished, and their statutory functions and responsibilities inherited by NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB. As a result, NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB has inherited the two former formularies in operation by the former CCGs, which are the Pan Mersey Formulary and the Cheshire Formulary. Links to these formulary websites are listed below for your information:
- Cheshire Formulary www.cheshireformulary.nhs.uk
- Pan Mersey Formulary www.panmerseyapc.nhs.uk

NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB does not have any individual members of staff specifically responsible for the formulary areas listed in your request. However, there are currently two established Area Prescribing Committees/Groups (APC/APG) within Cheshire & Merseyside ICB which are the Pan Mersey APC and the Cheshire APG. Any enquires for these APC/APG can be sent via: enquiries@cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk

Your Request:

- 2) The date of the next review of your formulary
- 3) Details of how you intend to review your formulary (include process, timelines)
- 4) Details of ICB/Health Board if part of a local partnership arrangement for formulary review. Please provide the contact's name, email address and telephone number for the person with responsibility where a partnership arrangement is in place.

Our Response:

2 - 4) NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB does not have any immediate plans to review the formulary areas listed in your request. However, NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB is establishing a programme of work to begin to review all of our current formulary clinical guidelines against national standards, starting with those where there is significant variation across the former CCG areas. The dates, process and any partnerships in relation to these reviews are still yet to be determined.

NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB will continue to adopt and operate the former CCG approved formulary clinical guidelines prior to 01 July 2022 until such reviews are completed. A statement in regard to this can be found on our website via the following link:

https://www.cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk/about/how-we-work/commissioning-policies/