

Flash glucose monitoring query

NHS Norfolk and Waveney CCG received a query relating to flash glucose monitoring across Norfolk and Waveney.

The query and answers provided in a written response can be found below:

Could NHS Norfolk & Waveney CCG confirm if it has changed the national criteria published by NHSE, and if so, explain under what authority it has done so, and what the resulting local allocation criteria are?

I can confirm we have not changed the national published criteria for prescribing.

In any event, could the CCG also confirm the full Norfolk and Waveney allocation against the national target, and explain how it will address any shortfall of the allocation of this potentially life-enhancing technology for those affected moving forward?

Current figures show three of the five localities within the CCG's area have already met the national target; the pending 80 devices referenced in your email will ensure we exceed the national target. The breakdown can be found in the following table.

Area	No patients funded, based on 20% of number of patients with Type 1 Diabetes	Patients started on Flash Glucose Monitoring
Gt Yarmouth and Waveney	229	216 (19%)
North Norfolk	168	154 (18%)
Norwich	220	231 (21%)
South Norfolk	178	190 (21%)
West Norfolk	189	222 (23%)

In 2019/20 we spent £426,093 on Freestyle Libre. For the first six months of 2020/21 (up until the end of September 2020) we have already spent £438,531. We do not receive our allocation up front, this is provided to us in month 10 of the financial year (in this case January 2021) where funding will be provided based on what we have already spent this year, along with a forecast for the remainder of the year.

Finally, could the CCG also confirm that all the allocations made in Norfolk and Waveney under this initiative have been in accordance with either the national allocation criteria, or those established by the CCG, or a combination of both?

All allocations made in Norfolk and Waveney have followed the national allocation criteria.