

Reference: FOI 27703 SWI 12D

Subject: Referral Criteria

I can confirm that the CCG does hold the information requested; please see responses below:

QUESTION	RESPONSE
<p>1. What criteria do patients need to meet in order to be referred for bariatric surgery (tier 4 weight management) in your Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) area?</p>	<p>As per current SCCG policy available at http://www.fundingrequests.cscsu.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Severe-and-complex-obesity-policy-inc-bariatric-surgery-October-14-Final.pdf</p> <p>The pathway is based on NICE obesity guidance (2006) and NHS England Clinical Commissioning Policy: Complex and Specialised Obesity Surgery, (2013).</p>
<p>2. What criteria do patients need to meet in order to be referred for elective hernia repair in your Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) area?</p>	<p>The CCG can confirm that it does hold this information, but are exempting it under Section 21 Freedom of Information Act 2000 as it is reasonably accessible by other means. This is an absolute exemption.</p> <p>https://ico.org.uk/media/for-organisations/documents/1203/information-reasonably-accessible-to-the-applicant-by-other-means-sec21.pdf</p> <p>I have provided you with a link to our website which will provide you with this information:</p>

	Please see Clinical Commissioning Policy at – http://www.swindonccg.nhs.uk/about-us/what-we-do-and-don-t-fund
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The information provided in this response is accurate as of 16 August 2018, and has been authorised for release by Swindon CCG.