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## West Yorkshire Health and Care Partnership statement on CGM monitors for clinicians and health care professionals from the Diabetes Team

"NICE has published updated clinical guidelines, NG28, NG17, NG18 and NG3. These guidelines include changes to recommendations on diabetes medications and methods of monitoring blood glucose levels for adults and children living with diabetes in England. West Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (WY ICB) have drafted a policy for the commissioning of both intermittent glucose monitoring (isCGM) and real time continuous glucose monitoring (rtCGM) based on these updates.

In order to fully understand the financial impact of full implementation of this updated NICE guidance across WY ICB, a comprehensive financial assessment is currently being undertaken. This assessment is based on a phased implementation over a 5-year period and will take into account the current spend, predicted growth in usage and associated downstream reductions in spend as well as impacts on quality and equality across WY ICB. WY ICB is assessing this guidance alongside several other high priority commissioning positions which require harmonisation.

Until the new policy has been agreed, places within WY ICB should continue to follow their existing local guidelines regarding the prescribing of rtCGM and the existing WY ICB commissioning statement supporting the use of isCGM (commonly referred to as Flash Glucose Monitoring). Please note that there is currently no change to prescribing pathways and as such, prescribing of rtCGM is not supported in primary care and must be undertaken by specialists in acute centres only. The ICB will be providing further updates as this commissioning position develops in 2023 however if you require further advice or clarification on the existing commissioning positions, please contact your place based ICB medicines optimisation teams.

We acknowledge the immense pressure on the NHS and your teams and we are grateful for your ongoing support with this vital piece of work"

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