

CLINICAL POLICY ADVISORY GROUP (CPAG) DECISION AND JUSTIFICATION LOG

Meeting Date: Thursday 2nd October 2025

Ethical Framework

Chair to ensure that all decisions made are in line with the [ICBs Ethical Framework](#), following examples of evidence of clinical and cost effectiveness, health care need and capacity to benefit, policy driver/strategic fit.

Declarations of Interest

Committee members are reminded of their obligation to declare any interest they may have on any issues arising at committee meetings which might conflict with the business of the ICB.

Declarations declared by members of the Clinical Policy Advisory Group (CPAG) are listed in the Register of Interests and included with the meeting papers. The ICB's Registers of Interests are also available via the ICB's Corporate Governance Manager.

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Agenda Item number	Agenda Item Title	Owner	Summary of Discussion	Decision & Justification	Action(s)
CPAG10/25 1a	Declarations of Interest	BD	No Declarations of Interest were made		
CPAG10/25 2a	CPAG Decision & Justification Log September 2025	TG	No further comments from CPAG	CPAG approved the Decision & Justification Log.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decision & Justification Log to be uploaded to DDICB Clinical Policies website
CPAG10/25 3a	CPAG September Bulletin 2025	TG	No further comments from CPAG	CPAG approved & ratified September 2025 CPAG Bulletin.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bulletin to be circulated to stakeholders via external communications
CPAG10/25 4a	CPAG Internal Action Log	TG	No further comments from CPAG	CPAG noted the Internal Action Log and the progress to date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update CPAG Internal Action Log of all actions and internal tasks
CPAG10/25 5a	Update to CPAG Terms of Reference and Stakeholder Map	TG	<p>CPAG Terms of Reference and Stakeholder Map updated as part of a scheduled review.</p> <p>The following changes proposed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated governance arrangements following the renaming of the Population Health and Strategic Commissioning Committee. 	CPAG approved and ratified the update.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Terms of Reference and Stakeholder map to be uploaded to Clinical Policies Website Update SCIC

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated links and aligned to documents available on the Joined-Up Care Derbyshire website. Clarified the NICE outputs considered include Health Technology Assessments (HTAs) and Early Value Assessments (EVAs). 		
CPAG10/25 6a	Low Back Pain Disc Replacement Position Statement	HM	<p>The Low Back Pain Disc Replacement Position Statement was reviewed as scheduled.</p> <p>No new significant evidence has emerged since the last reviewed in 2020.</p> <p>Statement is based on a Do Not' recommendation from NICE NG59 Low back pain and sciatica in over 16s: assessment and management (Published Nov 2016, updated Dec 2020)</p> <p>Stakeholders agreed with maintaining the current statement.</p>	CPAG agreed the Low Back Pain Disc Replacement Position Statement with no major changes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outputs to stakeholders via external communications
CPAG10/25 6b	Low Back Pain Imaging Position Statement	HM	<p>Low Back Pain Imaging Position Statement was reviewed as scheduled.</p> <p>Evidence Based Interventions last reviewed in September 2024 with no material change to advice.</p> <p>No new significant evidence on Low Back Pain Imaging since the Position Statement was last reviewed in 2022.</p> <p>Stakeholders agreed with maintaining the current statement.</p>	CPAG agreed the Low Back Pain Imaging Position Statement with no major changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outputs to stakeholders via external communications
CPAG10/25 7a	<p>Cosmetic Policy Comparison Review Buckinghamshire, Oxford & Berkshire West ICB (BOB)</p> <p>Review of Pinnaplasty Policy</p>	HM	<p>A mapping exercise and work plan were undertaken to compare DDICB cosmetic policies with those of BOB ICB, who reported having more restrictive cosmetic policies.</p> <p>CPAG identified that, in the absence of specific clinical criteria, the current DDICB Pinnaplasty Policy required review.</p>	CPAG agreed to retain the current Pinnaplasty Policy criteria following stakeholder feedback and alignment to BAPRAS Commissioning Guidance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No further action. Continue to review on a 3 yearly basis.

			<p>The DDICB Pinnaplasty Policy is based on the East Midlands Policy (2015), which reflects BAPRAS Commissioning Guidance (2013) referencing psychological distress in children aged 5–18 with prominent ears.</p> <p>Stakeholders were consulted to identify potential clinical criteria or objective measures to include in the Pinnaplasty Policy.</p> <p>Feedback from stakeholders supported maintaining the current policy criteria.</p>		
CPAG10/25 8a	Individual Funding Request (IFR) – Screening/Panel Cases – August 2025	HM	CPAG reviewed the IFR Screening/Panel cases for August 2025 and were assured that no areas for service development have been identified.	CPAG noted the IFR cases for August 2025.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outputs to stakeholders via external communications
CPAG10/25 9a	NICE IPG, DTG, MTG & HTE Updates	TG	It was confirmed that no business cases have been received for any of the NICE outputs.	CPAG noted IPGs, DTGs, MTGs and HTEs for August 2025.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outputs to stakeholders via external communications
CPAG10/25 10	Key messages received from / going to SCIC	HM	No further comments from CPAG.	CPAG noted the papers to be tabled at SCIC in November 2025.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No further action

Date of Next meeting: Thursday 6th November 2025 MS Teams Meeting
Agenda items for November meeting to be received by 12 noon on 20th October 2025 please.