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Nottingham & Nottinghamshire Continence Appliance Formulary

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Guidance on use of products within The Continence Formulary for Primary Care

- Products are available on prescription. However, if a product becomes unavailable, please contact your local Specialist Continence Service.
- After clinical assessment if the products on the Continence Formulary do not meet the needs of the patient, please contact your local Specialist Continence Service.
- For patients already using products there may be situations where it is not in the patients' best interest to change to products on the Formulary. Please refer to your local Specialist Continence Service if you require more advice.
- The Continence Formulary must be used when undertaking a new patient assessment where products need to be prescribed.
- Compliance to the Formulary will be monitored through audit on an annual basis.
- Please refer to your NHS organisation policy on seeing medical representatives.
- Changes to the Continence Formulary will only be made by the Countywide Continence Formulary Group.
- Each section of the Continence Formulary will be reviewed by the Countywide Continence Formulary Group after three years unless significant circumstances arise that require immediate action. See individual sections for review dates.

Catheters & Accessories

Intermittent Urinary Catheters

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INTERMITTENT URINARY CATHETERS - Pre-lubricated					
First Choice, most cost effective & suitable for Aseptic Non Touch Technique (ANTT):					
	Male		Female		Cost and information
BD Ready-To-Use Hydrophilic Catheter Pack of 30 <i>Suitable for aseptic technique</i>	N/A	N/A	10ch	RTU10F	£37.92 (£1.26 each). Paediatric and Male Coude Tip also available.
	12ch	RTU12M	12ch	RTU12F	
	14ch	RTU14M	14ch	RTU14F	
	16ch	RTU16M	N/A	N/A	
SensaCath Hydrophilic Intermittent Catheter Pack of 30 <i>Suitable for aseptic technique</i>	10ch	PSCM10	10ch	PSCF10	£38.49 (£1.28 each). Tiemann Tip (£1.33) also available.
	12ch	PSCM12	12ch	PSCF12	
	14ch	PSCM14	14ch	PSCF14	
	16ch	PSCM16	16ch	PSCF16	
	18ch	PSCM18	N/A	N/A	
If first choice products unavailable or unsuitable the following can be prescribed:					
	Male		Female		Cost and information
Speedicath Pack of 30 <i>Suitable for aseptic technique</i>	10ch	N/A	10ch	28510	£48.42 (£1.61 each). Paediatric, 30cm and Tiemann Tip also available
	12ch	28412	12ch	28512	
	14ch	28414	14ch	28514	
	16ch	28416	N/A	N/A	
	18ch	28418	N/A	N/A	

See overleaf for Intermittent Urinary Catheters – pre-lubricated 3rd line options...

INTERMITTENT URINARY CATHETERS - Pre-lubricated continued

The catheters below may be prescribed only when first and second choice catheters are not suitable AND only if recommended by a urology or continence specialist:

	Male		Female		Cost and information
Curan Lady Pack of 30	N/A	N/A	8-14ch	CL08-CL14	£44.92 (£1.50 each). Compact catheter.
Hollister Infyna Hydrophilic Pack of 30	N/A	N/A	8-14ch	88081-88141	£49.54 (£1.65 each). Female 17cm.
SpeediCath Compact Pack of 30	N/A	N/A	6-14ch	28576-28584	£50.14 (£1.67 each). Compact catheter.
LoFric Elle Pack of 30	N/A	N/A	10-14ch	4181025- 4181425	£51.64 (£1.72 each). Compact catheter with handle.
SpeediCath Compact PLUS Pack of 30	N/A	N/A	10-14ch	28810-28814	£51.95 (£1.73 each). Compact catheter. Slightly longer than Speedicath compact.
Hollister Infyna Chic Pack of 30	N/A	N/A	8-14ch	7008-7014	£52.30 (£1.74 each). Compact catheter.
Liquick X-treme Pack of 30	10-16ch	851842-000100- 000160	10-14ch	851822-000100- 000140	£52.35 (£1.75 each). Male 40cm / Female 20cm, both with sleeve.
SpeediCath Compact EVE Pack of 30	N/A	N/A	10-14ch	28110-28114	£55.12 (£1.84 each). Compact catheter.
iQ Cath Hydrophilic ready for use with sleeve Pack of 30	10-18ch	IQ4304.10- IQ4304.18	N/A	N/A	£55.40 (£1.85 each). Paediatric also available.
Hollister VaPro Pocket Pack of 30	10-16ch	70104-70164	10-14ch	70102-70142	Male £55.49 (£1.85 each). Female £56.74 (£1.89 each). Compact catheter.
iQ Cath Gel+ Pack of 30	10-18ch	IQ3204.10- IQ3204.18	N/A	N/A	£55.76 (£1.86 each).
Hollister VaPro Pack of 30	8-16ch	72084-72164	8-14ch	72082-72142	Pack of 30 £56.10 (£1.87 each). Male 40cm / Female 20cm. Tiemann Tip (£1.89) also available.
SpeediCath FLEX POCKET Pack of 30	12-14ch	28910-28914	N/A	N/A	£58.11 (£1.93 each). Compact catheter.
SpeediCath FLEX Pack of 30	10-16ch	28920-28924, 28916	N/A	N/A	£58.12 (£1.94 each). Compact catheter.
SpeediCath Compact Male 12-18 (one size) Pack of 30	one size	28692	N/A	N/A	£59.08 (£1.97 each). Compact catheter. One size.

See overleaf for Intermittent Urinary Catheters – with sachet...

INTERMITTENT URINARY CATHETERS - with sachet					
First Choice, most cost effective & suitable for ANTT:					
	Male		Female		Cost and information
SensaCath Aqua Hydrophilic Intermittent Catheter with water sachet Pack of 30 Suitable for aseptic technique	10ch	AQUAS10	10ch	PSCF10	£33.00 (£1.10 each). Tiemann Tip also available.
	12ch	AQUAS12	12ch	PSCF12	
	14ch	AQUAS14	14ch	PSCF14	
	16ch	AQUAS16	N/A	PSCF16	
	18ch	AQUAS18	N/A	N/A	
SpiritCare Hydrophilic Intermittent Catheter with water sachet Pack of 30 Suitable for aseptic technique	8ch	SH-CC023	8ch	SH-CC029	£33.00 (£1.10 each).
	10ch	SH-CC024	10ch	SH-CC030	
	12ch	SH-CC025	12ch	SH-CC031	
	14ch	SH-CC026	14ch	SH-CC032	
	16ch	SH-CC027	16ch	SH-CC033	
	18ch	SH-CC028	N/A	N/A	
If first choice products unavailable or unsuitable the following can be prescribed:					
	Male		Female		Cost and information
Peak Medical Ltd UltraSmooth Aqua hydrophilic catheter with water sachet Pack of 30 Suitable for aseptic technique	8ch	USA4208	8ch	USA1408	£38.64 (£1.28 each). Paediatric and Tiemann Tip (£1.45 each) also available.
	10ch	USA4210	10ch	USA1410	
	12ch	USA4212	12ch	USA1412	
	14ch	USA4214	14ch	USA1414	
	16ch	USA4216	16ch	USA1416	
	18ch	USA4218	18ch	USA1418	
GentleCath Glide Hydrophilic Catheter with water sachet Pack of 30 Suitable for aseptic technique	8ch	421564	8ch	421570	£39.31 (£1.31 each). Tiemann Tip also available
	10ch	421565	10ch	421571	
	12ch	421566	12ch	421572	
	14ch	421567	14ch	421573	
	16ch	421568	16ch	421574	
	18ch	421569	N/A	N/A	
INTERMITTENT URINARY CATHETERS - with sachet continued					
The catheters below may be prescribed only when first and second choice catheters are not suitable AND only if recommended by a urology or continence specialist:					
	Male		Female		Cost and information
WyCath H2O hydrophilic catheter with water sachet Pack of 30	10-16ch	W2M10-W2M16	8-12ch	W2F08-W2F12	£41.97 (£1.40 each). Paediatric 30cm also available.
	10-18ch	W2SM10-W2SM18	8-14ch	W2SF08-W2SF14	
WyCath H2O hydrophilic catheter with water sachet (Soft Tip) Pack of 30					£45.92 (£1.53 each). Paediatric 30cm (£1.53), Tapered tip (£1.47) and Tiemann Tip (£1.42) also available
HydroSil Rose Pack of 30	N/A	N/A	10-18ch	71410-71418	£50.70 (£1.69 each).

NON-LUBRICATED Intermittent Urinary Catheters

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NON LUBRICATED Intermittent Urinary Catheters					
First Choice:					
	Male		Female		Cost and information
Pennine	10ch	N/A	10ch	FC-1410	Pack of 10 Female £4.00 (£0.40 each). Pack of 10 Male £4.39 (£0.44 each). Paediatric also available.
	12ch	NC-1212/FP	12ch	FC-1412	
	14ch	NC-1214/FP	14ch	FC-1414	
	16ch	NC-1216/FP	16ch	N/A	
If first choice products unavailable or unsuitable the following can be prescribed:					
	Male		Female		Cost and information
Smooth Nelaton	8ch	SNM08	8ch	SNF08	Pack of 30 £36.36 (£1.21 each). Paediatric also available.
	10ch	SNM10	10ch	SNF10	
	12ch	SNM12	12ch	SNF12	
	14ch	SNM14	14ch	SNF14	
Self-Cath	8ch	408	8ch	N/A	Pack of 30 £37.01 (£1.23 each). Paediatric, Taper Tip (£1.76 each) and Olive Tip (1.76 each) also available
	10ch	410	10ch	210	
	12ch	412	12ch	212	
	14ch	414	14ch	214	
	16ch	416	16ch	N/A	
The following may be prescribed on the recommendation of a continence advisor, or urology, where none of the above formulary options are suitable.					
	Male		Female		Cost and information
WyCath Uncoated catheter with soft tip	10-16ch	USM10-USM16	8-12ch	USF08-USF12	Pack of 30 £44.10 (£1.47 each). Paediatric also available.
WyCath Uncoated catheter with tapered tip	10-18ch	UTAM10-UTAM16	8-14ch	UTAF08-UTAF12	Pack of 30 £42.58 (£1.42 each). Paediatric also available

Intermittent Urinary CATHETER SETS – Pre-lubricated

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Intermittent Urinary Catheter Sets PRE-LUBRICATED					
<p>First Choice, most cost effective & suitable for ANTT is the patients usual intermittent catheter used with disposable night drainage bag (see first line Intermittent Urinary Catheters and Larger Volume Drainage Bags). This option may not be suitable for all, especially if there were dexterity issues, therefore an intermittent catheter set may need to be prescribed if the first line option is unmanageable for the patient.</p>					
<p>If first choice products unavailable or unsuitable the following can be prescribed:</p>					
	Male		Female		Cost and information
LoFric Hydro-Kit	8ch	42008253	8ch	42308253	Pack of 30 Female length £62.15 (£2.07 each), Male length £60.28 (£2.01 each). Paediatric and Tiemann Tip also available. Only suitable if good dexterity or carer support.
	10ch	42010253	10ch	42310253	
	12ch	42012253	12ch	42312253	
	14ch	42014253	14ch	42314253	
	16ch	42016253	16ch	42316253	
	18ch	42018253	18ch	42318253	
B. Braun Medical Actreen Glys Set	8ch	226208E	8ch	226308E	Pack of 30 £70.17 (£2.34 each). Tiemann Tip also available
	10ch	226210E	10ch	226310E	
	12ch	226212E	12ch	226312E	
	14ch	226214E	14ch	226314E	
	16ch	226216E	16ch	226316E	
	18ch	226218E	N/A	N/A	
<p>The following may be prescribed on the recommendation of a continence advisor, or urology, where none of the above formulary options are suitable.</p>					
	Male		Female		Cost and information
SpeediCath Compact Set	12/18h	28422	10-14ch	28520-28524	Pack of 20 £56.47 (£2.82 each).
SpeediCath Flex Set (Male)	10-16ch	28931-28936	NA	NA	Pack of 30 £96.79 (£3.23 each).
Hollister VaPro Plus Pocket	8-16ch	71084-71164	8-14ch	71082-71142	Pack of 30 £98.36 (£3.28 each).

Dilatation Catheters

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DILATATION Catheter without drainage eyes: Not indicated for bladder emptying			
First Choice:			
	Size	Code	Cost and information
Vesica Urology Ltd OptiSmooth MD Hydrophilic Meatal Dilator	8ch	OSMDIL08	Pack of 30 £36.00 (£1.20 each). Tapered tip. Anatomically shaped handle with indentations for thumb and fingers.
	10ch	OSMDIL10	
	12ch	OSMDIL12	
	14ch	OSMDIL14	
	16ch	OSMDIL16	
WyMedical Ltd WyCath Hydrophilic Meatal Dilator	8ch	WCM08	Pack of 30 £38.93 (£1.30 each). Tapered Tip also available (£1.36), see drug tariff for codes.
	10ch	WCM10	
	12ch	WCM12	
	14ch	WCM14	
	16ch	WCM16	
	18ch	WCM18	
If first choice products unavailable or unsuitable the following can be prescribed:			
	Size	Code	Cost and information
Peak Medical Ltd UltraSmooth Hydrophilic Meatal Dilator	12ch	USMDT12	Pack of 30 £40.28 (£1.34 each). Tapered tip.
	14ch	USMDT14	
	16ch	USMDT16	
	18ch	USMDT18	
Peak Medical Ltd UltraSmooth Meatal Dilator	8ch	USMD08	Pack of 25 £35.86 (£1.43 each).
	10ch	USMD10	
	12ch	USMD12	
	14ch	USMD14	
	16ch	USMD16	
	18ch	USMD18	
Hunter Urology Ltd Aloe Meatal Plus	10ch	ALOEMPS10	Pack of 30 £42.78 (£1.43 each).
	12ch	ALOEMPS12	
	14ch	ALOEMPS14	
	16ch	ALOEMPS16	
	18ch	ALOEMPS18	

Mitroffanoff Catheters

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MITROFFANOFF Catheters (consider only if standard intermittent catheter is unsuitable)			
First Choice:			
	Size		Cost and information
Peak Medical Ltd UltraSmooth MCath4 with 4 drainage eyes	8ch	USM4008	40cm. Pack of 60 £66.99 (£1.12 each).
	10ch	USM4010	
	12ch	USM4012	
	14ch	USM4014	
	16ch	USM4016	
	18ch	USM4018	
OptiSmooth Mitro with 4 staggered drainage eyes	8ch	OSM4008	40cm. Pack of 60 £76.80 (£1.28 each).
	10ch	OSM4010	
	12ch	OSM4012	
	14ch	OSM4014	
	16ch	OSM4016	
	18ch	OSM4018	
OptiSmooth Mitro with 4 staggered drainage eyes (long)	8ch	OSM5008	50cm. Pack of 60 £76.80 (£1.28 each).
	10ch	OSM5010	
	12ch	OSM5012	
	14ch	OSM5014	
	16ch	OSM5016	
	18ch	OSM5018	
OptiSmooth Mitro XL with 4 extra large heat polished drainage eyes	8ch	N/A	40cm. Pack of 60 £76.80 (£1.28 each).
	10ch	OSMXL4010	
	12ch	OSMXL4012	
	14ch	OSMXL4014	
If first choice products unavailable or unsuitable the following can be prescribed:			
			Cost and information
WyCath H2O hydrophilic 4 eyelets catheter with water sachet (Soft Tip)	8ch	N/A	Pack of 30 £45.92 (£1.53 each).
	10ch	W4SM10	
	12ch	W4SM11	
	14ch	W4SM12	
	16ch	W4SM16	

Indwelling Urinary Catheters

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Standard tip, 100% Silicone for Long Term Use							
First Choice, most cost effective:							
SpiritCare All Silicone Foley Catheter 10ml Balloon Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic	Standard			Female		Cost	
	12ch	SH-CC034		12ch	SH-CC038		£4.50
	14ch	SH-CC035		14ch	SH-CC039		£4.50
	16ch	SH-CC036		16ch	SH-CC040		£4.50
	18ch	SH-CC037		18ch	SH-CC041		£4.50
Prosys All-Silicone Foley Catheter 10ml Balloon Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic	Standard			Female		Cost	
	12ch	PCF12M10		12ch	PCF12F10		£6.04
	14ch	PCF14M10		14ch	PCF14F10		£6.04
	16ch	PCF16M10		16ch	PCF16F10		£6.04
	18ch	PCF18M10		18ch	PCF18F10		£6.04
If first choice products unavailable or unsuitable the following can be prescribed on the advice of a continence advisor:							
Rüsch Brilliant AquaFlate All-Silicone 10ml Balloon Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic Up to size 24ch available if advised by specialist	Standard			Female		Cost	
	12ch	DA310112		12ch	DA210112		£6.11
	14ch	DA310114		14ch	DA210114		£6.11
	16ch	DA310116		16ch	DA210116		£6.11
	18ch	DA310118		18ch	DA210118		£6.11
LINC All Silicone Catheter with glycerine filled syringe Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic Other balloon sizes / paediatric sizes can be prescribed if advised by specialist.	Standard	Balloon		Female	Balloon		Cost
	12ch	5	08501205G	12ch	5	085012051G	£5.78
	14ch	5	08501405G	14ch	5	085014051G	£5.78
	14ch	10	08501410-OTG	14ch	10	08501410F-OTG	£5.72
	16ch	10	08501610G	16ch	10	085016101G	£5.78
	18ch	10	08501810G	NA	NA	NA	£5.78
Standard tip, Hydrogel Coated for Long Term Use							
First Choice, most cost effective:							
Rusch Sympacath Aquaflate - hydrogel coated latex 10ml balloon Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic Available up to size 24ch if advised by specialist	Standard			Female		Cost	
	12ch	DH310112		12ch	DH210112		£6.59
	14ch	DH310114		14ch	DH210114		£6.59
	16ch	DH310116		16ch	DH210116		£6.59
	18ch	DH310118		18ch	DH210118		£6.59
If first choice products unavailable or unsuitable the following can be prescribed on the advice of a continence advisor::							
Bard Biocath Aquamatic - hydrogel coated latex 10ml balloon (pre-filled with sterile water) Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic Up to size 22ch available if advised by specialist	Standard			Female		Cost	
	12ch	D226412		12ch	D226812		£9.07
	14ch	D226414		14ch	D226814		£9.07
	16ch	D226416		16ch	D226816		£9.07
	18ch	D226418		18ch	D226818		£9.07
If first and second choice products unsuitable, or the patient has severe latex allergy, the following can be prescribed on the advice of a continence advisor:							
Bard Lubri-Sil Aquafil - Hydrogel Coated Silicone 10ml balloon Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic Standard / male length available up to size 22ch if advised by specialist	Standard			Female		Cost	
	12ch	D175812E		12ch	D176112E		£10.13
	14ch	D175814E		14ch	D176114E		£10.13
	16ch	D175816E		16ch	D176116E		£10.13
	18ch	D175818E		NA	NA		£10.13
Standard tip, PTFE Coated Latex: SHORT TERM USE: Recommended indwelling time not to exceed 28 days							
First Choice, most cost effective:							
Teleflex: Rüsch PTFE AquaFlate. 10ml Balloon Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic	Standard			Female		Cost	
	12ch	DP310112		12ch	DP210112		£2.32
	14ch	DP310114		14ch	DP210114		£2.32
	16ch	DP310116		16ch	DP210116		£2.32
	18ch	DP310118		18ch	DP210118		£2.32

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OPEN tip, 100% Silicone for Long Term Use							
First Choice, most cost effective:							
Proslys All-Silicone Foley Catheter 10ml Balloon Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic	Standard			Female			Cost
	12ch		PCF12M10E	NA		NA	£5.89
	14ch		PCF14M10E	NA		NA	£5.89
	16ch		PCF16M10E	NA		NA	£5.89
	18ch		PCF18M10E	NA		NA	£5.89
If first choice products unavailable or unsuitable the following can be prescribed on the advice of a continence advisor:							
LINC All Silicone Catheter with glycerine filled syringe Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic Other ch / paediatric sizes can be prescribed following specialist advice.	Standard	Balloon		Female	Balloon		Cost
	12ch	5	08451205G	12ch	5	08471205G	£11.36
	14ch	5	08451405G	14ch	5	08471405G	£11.36
	16ch	10	08451610G	14ch	10	08471610G	£11.36
	18ch	10	08451810G	18ch	10	08471810G	£11.36

The catheters below may be prescribed only when recommended by a urology or continence specialist.

OPTITIP tip, 100% Silicone for Long Term Use							
LINC OptiTip All Silicone Open Tip Catheter with UniBal integral balloon and extra drainage hole beneath the balloon, with 5% glycerine in sterile water filled syringe for balloon inflation. Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic Paediatric sizes may also be prescribed.	Standard	Balloon		Female	Balloon		Cost
	12ch	5	1007UB12OT	12ch	5	1007UBF12OT	£11.36
	14ch	5	1007UB14OT	14ch	5	1007UBF14OT	£11.36
	16ch	5-10	1007UB16OT	16ch	5-10	1007UBF16OT	£11.36
	18ch	5-10	1007UB18OT	18ch	5-10	1007UBF18OT	£11.36

TIEMANN tip, 100% Silicone for Long Term Use							
NOT FOR FEMALE OR SUPRAPUBIC USE							
Rüsch Brillant Plus AquaFlate All-Silicone with 10ml Balloon Order catheter gel: 11mls Male Up to size 22ch available if advised by specialist	Standard			Female			Cost
	12ch		850084-000120	NA		NA	£8.69
	14ch		850084-000140	NA		NA	£8.69
	16ch		850084-000160	NA		NA	£8.69
	18ch		850084-000180	NA		NA	£8.69
LINC All Silicone Catheter with glycerine filled syringe Order catheter gel: 11mls Male	Standard	Balloon		Female	Balloon		Cost
	12ch	5-10	1011UB12	NA	NA	NA	£8.89
	14ch	5-10	1011UB14	NA	NA	NA	£8.89
	16ch	5-10	1011UB16	NA	NA	NA	£8.89
	18ch	5-10	1011UB18	NA	NA	NA	£8.89

Standard tip, Hydrogel and Silver Alloy Coated Latex: SHORT TERM USE: Recommended indwelling time not to exceed 28 days							
Bard Bardex I.C. with silver alloy coating and a pre-10ml Balloon Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic Standard / male length available up to size 22ch	Standard			Female			Cost
	12ch		D236512S	12ch		D236912S	£10.29
	14ch		D236514S	14ch		D236914S	£10.29
	16ch		D236516S	16ch		D236916S	£10.29
	18ch		D236518S	18ch		D236918S	£10.29

Standard tip, Silastic Coated Latex for Long Term Use							
Bard Silastic 10ml Balloon Order catheter gel: 11mls Male / 6mls Female / 6mls suprapubic Available up to 24ch / 30ml balloon up to 28ch. Not supplied with pre-filled syringe for balloon inflation, water for injections should also be prescribed.	Standard			Female			Cost
	12ch		33612	NA	NA	NA	£9.25
	14ch		33614	NA	NA	NA	£9.25
	16ch		33616	NA	NA	NA	£9.25
	18ch		33618	NA	NA	NA	£9.25

Catheterisation Gels

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Product	Order No.	Size	Cost per syringe	Comments / Info
First Choice				
OptiLube Active Sterile Lubricating Jelly Caution - there are several Optilube products, take care to pick the correct one	1160	6ml syringe	£1.06	Each 100g OptiLube Active contains: Chlorhexidine Gluconate (CHG) 0.05g Lidocaine hydrochloride 2.0g
	1161	11ml syringe	£1.11	
Hydro-Caine Gel	HYD-006	6ml syringe	£1.15	Each 100 gram Hydro-Caine gel contains: Chlorhexidine Gluconate (CHG) 0.05g Lidocaine hydrochloride 2.0g
	HYD-011	11ml syringe	£1.20	
Instillagel Classified as a medicine, not an appliance, it can therefore only be dispensed by a pharmacy (and not a dispensing appliance contractor - DAC)	N/A	6ml syringe	£1.05	Each 100g Instillagel contains: Chlorhexidine Gluconate (CHG) 0.05g Lidocaine hydrochloride 2.0g
	N/A	11ml syringe	£1.10	
If patient has a sensitivity to first choice products, the following can be prescribed:				
OptiLube Active CHG Free Caution - there are several Optilube products, take care to pick the correct one	1167	6ml syringe	£1.06	Each 100g OptiLube Active CHG Free contains: Lidocaine hydrochloride 2.0g Ideally suited to patients with a contraindication or sensitivity to CHG.
	1168	11ml syringe	£1.11	
OptiLube Sterile Lubricating Jelly Caution - there are several Optilube products, take care to pick the correct one	1125	6ml syringe	£0.96	Contains no active ingredient . Ideally suited to patients with contraindications or sensitivities to lidocaine and/or CHG
	1126	11ml syringe	£1.01	

Catheter Retaining Straps and Adhesive Catheter Fixation Devices

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A Catheter Fixing STRAP should be considered initially. Patients should be advised not to discard the straps, they should be washed and reused.			
Product		Product Code	Cost and information
First Choice Catheter Fixing STRAP			
CliniSure Catheter Retaining Strap (CliniMed Ltd)	Adult (60cm)	CSRS60	Pack of 5 £12.50 (£2.50 each)
	Long (100cm)	CSRS100	Pack of 5 £14.00 (£2.80 each)
Prosys Catheter Retaining Strap (CliniSupplies Ltd)	Short (40cm)	PCS40	Pack of 5 £12.73 (£2.55 each)
	Adult (50cm)	PCS50	Pack of 5 £12.94, (£2.59 each)
	Abdominal (85cm)	PCS85	Pack of 5 £14.28, (£2.86 each)
If first choice unsuitable the following Catheter Fixing STRAP can be prescribed:			
FIX Strip catheter retaining strap (LINC Medical Systems Ltd)	100cm	FIXSTRIP	Pack of 4 straps and 1 pair of scissors £10.33 (£2.58 per strap)
Adhesive catheter fixing devices: Only when straps are not suitable / tolerated by the patient should adhesive devices be considered. Adhesive devices are less cost effective and adhesive may result in skin irritation or soreness.			
First Choice Adhesive Catheter Fixing device:			
Ugo fix gentle		3004	Can be repositioned and worn for up to 7 days. Pack of 5 £13.17 (£2.63 each)
StatLock Foley Catheter Stabilisation Device ONLY to be used on the recommendation of a continence advisor where none of the above formulary options are suitable		FOL0102DT	Cannot be repositioned once applied, remains in place for up to 7 days. Adhesive remover may be required to remove safely. Pack of 5 £13.50 (£2.70 each).

Drainage Leg Bag Straps

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Product	Product Code	Cost and information
Patients should be advised not to discard the straps, they should be washed and reused.		
First Choice		
CliniSure leg bag straps (CliniMed Ltd)	CS5S	Pack of 5 pairs £10.13, £2.03 per pair. Most cost effective.
Flexicare Medical Leg bag straps	00-0032C	Pack of 5 pairs £11.70, £2.34 per pair
If first choice products unavailable or unsuitable the following can be prescribed:		
CliniSupplies Leg bag straps	P10LS	Pack of 5 pairs £13.59, £2.72 per pair

Drainage Leg Bag Sleeves

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Only when leg bag straps are not suitable / tolerated by the patient should sleeves be considered. Patients should be advised not to discard the sleeves, they should be washed and reused.				
Product	Size	Product Code	Cost and information	
First Choice (Pocket style)				
LINC Medical Leg Bag Sleeve	Small (24-39cm)	ME350-750S S	Pack of 4 £7.68 (£1.92 each) Most cost effective	
	Medium (36-55cm)	ME350-750S M		
	Large (40-70cm)	ME350-750S L		
	X Large (65-95cm)	ME350-750S XL		
	XX Large (75-105cm)	ME350-750S XXL		
Ugo fix Sleeve Leg Bag Holder (Optimum Medical)	Small (24-39cm)	3005	Pack of 4 £7.76 (£1.94 each)	
	Medium (36-55cm)	3006		
	Large (40-70cm)	3007		
	Extra Large (65-90cm)	3008		
	Extra Extra Large (75-105cm)	3027	Pack of 4 £8.64 (£2.16 each)	
If first choice unsuitable the Aquasleeve can be prescribed, this differs in style and requires the user to fold the sleeve up over the drainage bag:				
Aquasleeve (Coloplast Ltd)	Small (leg circum. 24-33cm)	783678	Pack of 4 £9.11 (£2.28 each)	
	Standard (leg circum. 34-39cm)	783680		
	Medium (leg circum. 40-46cm)	783686		
	Large (leg circum. 47-64cm)	783694		
	Extra Large (leg circum. 65cm+)	783708	Pack of 4 £8.93 (£2.23 each)	

Leg Bags

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Product			Product Code	Cost (DT Oct22) and information
First Choice if gloves required.				
LINC-Flo 500ml 10cm inlet tube, Lever Tap (LINC Medical)	Short tube (10cm)	Lever tap	LM500MD-L	Pack of 10 with gloves & 10 pair straps
LINC-Flo 500ml 30cm inlet tube, Lever Tap (LINC Medical)	Long tube (30cm)	Lever tap	LM500LD-L	231p per bag
LINC-Flo 750ml 10cm inlet tube, T-tap (LINC Medical)	Short tube (10cm)	Slide tap	LM750MD-T	Most commonly used listed here, full range can be prescribed, includes different tube lengths and slide / T-Tap, see drug tariff.
LINC-Flo 750ml 30cm inlet tube, T-tap (LINC Medical)	Long tube (30cm)	Slide tap	LM750LD-T	
Ugopro 1C 500ml (Optimum Medical)	Short tube	Lever tap	3410	Pack of 10 with gloves & aprons. 1 pair straps per box.
Ugopro 2C 500ml (Optimum Medical)	Long tube	Lever tap	3411	264p per bag. Also available as slide / T-Tap, see drug tariff
First Choice if gloves not required: for patients providing their own catheter care and sheath use only.				
CliniSure 500ml (CliniMed Ltd)	Short tube	Lever tap	CSL500ST	Pack of 10. 1 pair straps per box.
CliniSure 500ml (CliniMed Ltd)	Long tube	Lever tap	CSL500LT	203p per bag. Also available as slide / T-Tap, see drug tariff.
Rusch Leg bag 500ml (Teleflex)	Short tube (10cm)	Lever tap	850363-000500	Pack of 10. 1 pair straps per box.
Rusch Leg bag 500ml (Teleflex)	Long tube (30cm)	Lever tap	850364-000500	242p per bag.
Rusch Leg bag 750ml (Teleflex)	Short tube (10cm)	Lever tap	850363-000750	Most commonly used listed here, full range can be prescribed, includes different tube lengths and slide / T-Tap, see drug tariff.
Rusch Leg bag 750ml (Teleflex)	Long tube (30cm)	Lever tap	850364-000750	
If First Choice products unsuitable & gloves required; less cost effective than first line choices.				
Prosys sterile 500ml (Clinisupplies)	Short tube	Lever tap	P500S-LT	Pack of 10 with gloves.
Prosys sterile 500ml (Clinisupplies)	Long tube	Lever tap	P500L-LT	1 pair straps per box.
Prosys sterile 750ml (Clinisupplies)	Short tube	Slide tap	P750S	268p per bag.
Prosys sterile 750ml (Clinisupplies)	Long tube	Slide tap	P750L	Full range can be prescribed, see drug tariff.
If First Choice products unsuitable & gloves not required: less cost effective than first line choices: for patients providing their own catheter care and sheath use only.				
Libra leg bag 500ml (Great Bear)	Short tube	Lever tap	10102C	Pack of 10.
Libra leg bag 500ml (Great Bear)	Long tube	Lever tap	10104E	1 pair straps per box.
Libra leg bag 750ml (Great Bear)	Short tube	Lever tap	10106G	305p per bag.
Libra leg bag 750ml (Great Bear)	Long tube	Lever tap	10108J	Full range can be prescribed, see drug tariff.

Belly Bags (alternative to leg bag)

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Product	Product Code	Information
Belly bag (Rusch) with sample port: Capacity up to 1 litre. £11.34 each (DT Oct22)	B1000P	Remains in situ for up to 28 days (not appropriate for patients who require frequent disconnection). For female patients using a belly bag, standard length catheters must be used.
Belly bag Replacement belt: £2.38 each (DT Oct22)	P0337	Cannot be connected to 2 litre / night drainage bag.

Catheter Valves

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Product	Product Code	Information & Comments:
First Choice		
Care-Flo Catheter Valve (LINC Medical) Box of 5 158p per valve	CF1	Care-flo Valves should be considered first line as are the most cost effective and evaluated well.
Prosys Catheter Valve (CliniSupplies) Box of 5 200p per valve	PCV3942	Larger tap may be easier for patients with poor dexterity if unable to manage Care-Flo.
If First Choice products unsuitable:		
E-Z Flow Catheter Valve (Flexicare Medical) Box of 5 220p per valve	00-0060	
Ugo Catheter Valve (Optimum Medical) Box of 5 227p per valve	3000	

Larger Volume Drainage Bags

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DRAINAGE BAGS 2 - 3 LITRE SINGLE USE - for patient in own homes and Care Homes				
Product	Product Code	Cost (DT Oct22) and information		
First Choice, 2 Litre				
CliniSure non-sterile (CliniMed Ltd)	2 litre, Slide / T-tap	Use once and discard	CSSU2L	Pack of 10, 30p per bag
Ugo 10 (non sterile) (Optimum Medical)	2 litre, Slide / T-tap	Use once and discard	10/NS/SU/DO	Pack of 10, 32p per bag
Prosys non sterile (Clinisupplies)	2 litre, Slide / T-tap	Use once and discard	PSU2	Pack of 10, 32p per bag
If First Choice products unsuitable: 2 Litre (less cost effective than first line choices)				
2 litre non-sterile (Teleflex)	2 litre, Slide / T-tap	Use once and discard	850423	Pack of 10, 33p per bag
LINC-Flo sterile (LINC Medical)	2 litre, Slide / T-tap	Use once and discard	LM2LS-T	Pack of 30, 34p per bag
GB3 non-sterile (Great Bear)	2 litre, Slide / T-tap	Use once and discard	10303V	Pack of 10, 35p per bag
First Choice, 3 Litre				
LINC-Flo sterile (LINC Medical)	3 litre, Slide / T-tap	Use once and discard	LM3LS-T	3 Litre, larger capacity. Pack of 30, 51p per bag
If First Choice products unsuitable: 3 Litre (less cost effective than first line choices)				
GB5 (Great Bear)	3 litre, Slide / T-tap	Use once and discard	10330Y	3 Litre, larger capacity. Pack of 10, 62p per bag
DRAINAGE BAGS 2 - 3 LITRE - for patient in own home, change weekly				
Product	Product Code	Cost (DT Oct22) and information		
First Choice if gloves required.				
LINC-Flo sterile (LINC medical) Pack of 10 with gloves	120cm tube / 2 litre	Lever tap	SLC13-L	Pack of 10 with gloves, 99p per bag
First Choice if gloves not required: for patients providing own catheter care and sheath users only.				
CliniSure Sterile (CliniMed Ltd)	2 litre	Lever tap	CSL2L	Pack of 10, 91p per bag
Rusch Night Drainage Bag (Teleflex)	2 litre	Lever tap	850421	Pack of 10, 112p per bag
If First Choice products unsuitable & gloves required; less cost effective than first line choices.				
Prosys sterile(Clinisupplies) Pack of 10 with gloves	90cm tube	Lever tap	P2000-LT	Pack of 10 with gloves, 124p per bag
If First Choice products unsuitable & gloves not required: less cost effective than first line choices: for patients providing their own catheter care and sheath use only.				
Ugo 12 (Optimum Medical)	90cm tube / 2 litre	Lever tap	12/S/D/L	Pack of 10, 126p per bag
GB4 sterile night bag with tap, (Great Bear)	2 litre		10400W	Pack of 10, 143p per bag
GB6 3 litre sterile night bag with 120cm tube, sample port, non-return valve and lever action tap (Great Bear)	120cm tube / 3 litre	Lever tap	10430U	3 Litre, larger capacity. Pack of 10, 181p per bag

4 Week Supply

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Product	Product Code	Cost (p) DT Oct22	Cost and information
Ugo 4weeks 1C (500ml, short tube, lever tap)	3014	3090	Contain 28 Ugo 10 night drainage bags, 4 Ugo leg bags, 4 Ugo fix leg bag straps, 4 Ugo fix gentle catheter clips and 1 Ugo hanger Prescribe ONCE if the urinary catheter to remain in place for a short period of time only (ie, trial without catheter planned) as prevents waste (and so more cost effective).
Ugo 4weeks 2C (500ml, long tube, lever tap)	3015	3090	

Bladder Infusion Kit

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Product	Code	Cost (DT Nov22)	Cost each
Bladder Infusion Kit pack of 10 (LINC Medical Systems Ltd)	MCI/701	£20.81	£2.08

Catheter Maintenance Solution

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CATHETER MAINTENANCE SOLUTION			
ONLY IF ALL CONSERVATIVE METHODS HAVE NOT BEEN SUCCESSFUL			
Product	Product Code	Indication	Cost
First Line - as per Level 2 Decision making Tool for Catheter Maintenance Solutions (Appendix 1)			
Optiflo S (Bard LTD) 50ml 0.9% Saline	CSS50	No encrustation	50ml = £3.58
Urotainer Sodium Chloride 0.9%	FB99849	No encrustation. To be used if Optiflo S is unavailable.	50ml = £3.76
Optiflo G 3.23% Citric Acid (Suby G)	CSG50	Encrustation confirmed	50ml = £3.80
Uro-Tainer Twin Suby G (B Braun) 2 x 30mls 3.23% Citric Acid	9746609	Encrustation confirmed	2 x 30ml = £5.42
Second Line if first line options not effective - as per Level 2 Decision making Tool for Catheter Maintenance Solutions (Appendix 1)			
Uro-Tainer PHMB 0.02% Polihexanide	FB99965	No encrustation - Persistent mucous, debris and light haematuria	100ml = £3.84
OptiFlo R 6.0% Citric Acid (Solution R)	CSR50 (50ml)	Encrustation confirmed and still blocking with daily Suby G / Optiflo G	50ml = £3.80
Uro-Tainer Twin Solution R 6.0% Citric Acid	9746625	Encrustation confirmed and still blocking with daily Suby G / Optiflo G	2 x 30ml = £5.42

Sheaths / Male External Devices

Sheaths

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Standard length sheaths have the adhesive positioned centrally. Suitable for people with a good length of penis.
Shorter length (Pop on) sheaths have the adhesive positioned towards the tip. Will fit all sizes of penis and are particularly suitable if the penis is retracted.

Wideband: Standard length sheath with additional adhesive. Provide very secure adhesion for people with a good length of penis who are particularly active or have difficulty in keeping other sheaths in place

New patients should be started on a formulary sheath wherever possible. Patients may continue to use their existing non-formulary sheaths if they are happy with them. However, if the patient is willing, please consider trialling a formulary option if there would be an advantage to doing so (either clinically or financially).

Product	Style	Size	Code	Sustainability Information & Comments: (unless otherwise stated, appliance is a self-adhesive sheath)
First Choice:				
CliniSure Silicone sheath (Self-adhesive)				
Box of 30.	Standard	24mm	CS24S	CliniSure sheaths should be considered first line as are the most cost-effective sheaths and are sustainably packaged. Clinimed have made the outer packaging of CliniSure urinary sheaths as small as possible to minimise the amount of cardboard used and have removed the use of plastic where possible. The individual sheath packets are recyclable, along with the box, instructions for use and measuring guide. CliniSure sheaths do not have a plastic protective cap.
	Standard	28mm	CS28S	
140p per sheath.	Standard	31mm	CS31S	
	Standard	35mm	CS35S	
30 hair protectors and measuring guide included in each box	Standard	40mm	CS40S	
	Pop On	24mm	CS24P	
	Pop On	28mm	CS28P	
Latex Free	Pop On	31mm	CS31P	
	Pop On	35mm	CS35P	
	Pop On	40mm	CS40P	
	Wideband	24mm	CS24W	
	Wideband	28mm	CS28W	
	Wideband	31mm	CS31W	
	Wideband	35mm	CS35W	
	Wideband	40mm	CS40W	
Prosys Flofit Self Adhesive Silicone Sheath				
Box of 30.	Standard	24mm	PSS24STD/B	
	Standard	28mm	PSS28STD/B	
160p per sheath	Standard	31mm	PSS31STD/B	
	Standard	35mm	PSS35STD/B	
30 hair protectors and measuring guide included in each box	Standard	40mm	PSS40STD/B	
	Pop On	24mm	PSS24POPON/B	
	Pop On	28mm	PSS28POPON/B	
Latex Free	Pop On	31mm	PSS31POPON/B	
	Pop On	35mm	PSS35POPON/B	
	Pop On	40mm	PSS40POPON/B	
	Wide Band	24mm	PSS24WIDEBD/B	
	Wide Band	28mm	PSS28WIDEBD/B	
	Wide Band	31mm	PSS31WIDEBD/B	
	Wide Band	35mm	PSS35WIDEBD/B	
	Wide Band	40mm	PSS40WIDEBD/B	

InView Silicone Self-Adhesive Sheath (non-latex with anti-kinking funnel)			
Box of 30.	Special	25mm	97125
	Special	29mm	97129
163p per sheath	Special	32mm	97132
	Special	36mm	97136
Latex Free	Special	41mm	97141
	Standard	25mm	97225
Special: Short / pop on	Standard	29mm	97229
Standard: Regular length	Standard	32mm	97232
& adhesive	Standard	36mm	97236
Extra: extra adhesive	Standard	41mm	97241
	Extra	25mm	97325
	Extra	29mm	97329
	Extra	32mm	97332
	Extra	36mm	97336
	Extra	41mm	97341
GB Libra Sheath			
Box of 30.	Standard	24mm	GBLSS24
	Standard	28mm	GBLSS28
166p per sheath	Standard	31mm	GBLSS31
	Standard	33mm	GBLSS33
30 hair protectors and measuring guide included in each box	Standard	35mm	GBLSS35
	Standard	40mm	GBLSS40
Latex Free	Pop On	24mm	GBLSP24
	Pop On	28mm	GBLSP28
	Pop On	31mm	GBLSP31
	Pop On	33mm	GBLSP33
	Pop On	35mm	GBLSP35
	Pop On	40mm	GBLSP40
	Wide Band	24mm	GBLSW24
	Wide Band	28mm	GBLSW28
	Wide Band	31mm	GBLSW31
	Wide Band	33mm	GBLSW33
	Wide Band	35mm	GBLSW35
	Wide Band	40mm	GBLSW40
EXISTING USERS OR IF RECOMMENDED BY CONTINENCE ADVISOR WHEN FIRST LINE SHEATHS UNSUITABLE			
SpiritCare Incontinence Sheath			
140p per sheath	Box of 30		
P-SURE Latex Free self-adhesive with Residual Free removal and Anti-Blow-Back system			Some patients find these fiddly to apply
167p per sheath	Box of 30		
Ugo Sheath silicone self-adhesive			Sustainably packaged, packaging has been designed with minimal plastic content. Each box and wrapping are fully recyclable.
168p per sheath			
UltraFlex Clear Silicone Sheath (Self-adhesive)			
171p per sheath	Box of 30		

Freedom Transfix Silicone Sheath 175p per sheath Box of 30	
b.sure Quickfit shorter length self-adhering non latex urinary sheath with strong adhesive 177p per sheath Box of 30	Some patients find these fiddly to apply
Clear Advantage Spirit 179p per sheath Box of 30	
Clear Advantage with Aloe 181p per sheath Box of 30	
Conveen Optima (non-latex) self-sealing Urisheath 184p per sheath Box of 30	May be easier for people with dexterity issues to apply.
Non-formulary sheaths may be used in exceptional circumstances where none of the formulary options are suitable. Non-formulary sheaths must be recommended and fitted by a continence advisor and the reason documented in the patient's medical record.	

Body-worn Urinals and Retracted Penis Pouch

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First Choice:			
	Size	Code	Cost and information
Afex Active	S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X	A100-S-08 - A100-3X-08	Kits Contain: Receptacle (high or low), 1 pair briefs, reusable collection bag, cleansing container, cleansing solution and tube assembly (sedentary only). If items are replaced as suggested below, approximate monthly cost as shown.
Afex Core (Supporter)	XS, S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X	A100XS-5105-C - A1003X-5105-C	
Afex Mobility Assisted	S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X	A120-S-08 - A120-3X-08	
Afex Sedentary	S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X	A110-S-08 - A110-3X-08	
Replacements and Lifespan:	Cost (each):	Lifespan (continuous use):	
Low Receptacle	3282	3-4 months	(Sedentary)
Low Supersoft Receptacle	3282	3-4 months	(Mobility Assisted)
High Receptacle	3282	3-4 months	(Active / Core Supporter)
Urine Collection Bags			
250ml	1888	30-40 days	
500ml	1903	30-40 days	(Active / Core Supporter)
500ml (vented)	1903	30-40 days	(Active / Core Supporter)
1200ml	2078	30-40 days	(Mobility Assisted)
1500ml	2078	30-40 days	(Sedentary)
2000ml	2078	30-40 days	
Tube Assembly Complete	1203		(Mobility Assisted)
Tube Stabilizer	437		
Collection Bag Stabilizer (high grip)	437		
Leg Bag Holder	1422	3-4 months	
Afex Noctura Bed Bag Configuration Supplemental Kit	1300		
Afex Noctura Leg Bag Configuration Supplemental Kit	1099		
Core Supporter Brief	964		
Brief	974		

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If first choice products unsuitable the following can be prescribed:			
	Size	Code	Cost and information
Original acti brief uri-drain system with 10 pouches	Sizes S, M, L, XL		
Flange size	20mm	AB/18/20	Cost for 30 days use (includes additional pouches) £59.64
	25mm	AB/18/25	
	27.5mm	AB/18/27.5	
	30mm	AB/18/30	
	32.5mm	AB/18/32.5	
	35mm	AB/18/35	
	40mm	AB/18/40	
Replacement pouches		SP18	
Uri-Drain System with 10 pouches	Sizes S, M, L, XL		
Flange Size	20mm	LU18/20	Cost for 30 days use (includes additional pouches) £59.64
	25mm	LU18/25	
	27.5mm	LU18/27.5	
	30mm	LU18/30	
	32.5mm	LU18/32.5	
	35mm	LU18/35	
	40mm	LU18/40	
Replacement pouches		SP18	
Acti-Brief Plus Male Urine Collection System with 10 pouches	Sizes S, M, L, XL, XXL		
Flange size	20mm	ABPlus/18/20	Cost for 30 days use (includes additional pouches) £83.74
	25mm	ABPlus/18/25	
	27.5mm	ABPlus/18/27.5	
	30mm	ABPlus/18/30	
	32.5mm	ABPlus/18/32.5	
	35mm	ABPlus/18/35	
	40mm	ABPlus/18/40	
Replacement pouches		SPlus18	
Retracted Penis Pouch with FlexTend Skin Barrier	Pack of 10		9873 Cost for 30 days use (3 boxes) £94.68
Retracted Penis Pouch	Pack of 10		9811 Cost for 30 days use (3 boxes) £96.33

Sheath Fixing Strips and Adhesives

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First Choice:		
	Product Code:	Cost and information
Dry Aid Double Sided Hydrocolloid Sheath Liner	AL835100	Adhesive on both sides. Worn under the sheath. Pack of 30 £15.49 (52 pence each)
Urifix Tape (Bio Diagnostics) 5m	SU1	Cohesive tape, only sticks to itself. Worn under or over the sheath. 5 metre pack £5.44 (£1.08 / m)
If first choice products unsuitable the following can be prescribed:		
Conveen Sheath Liners	5100	Adhesive on both sides. Worn under the sheath. Pack of 20 £10.64 (53 pence each)
Comfort Plus hydrocolloid adhesive tape	50.14	Adhesive on both sides. Worn under the sheath. Pack of 30 £16.29 (54 pence each)
Dry Aid Thick Double Sided Foam Strip	AL831002	Adhesive on both sides. Worn under the sheath. Pack of 10 £6.20 (62 pence each)
The below Velcro Foam Straps are worn over the sheath to provide additional security. May only be prescribed on the recommendation of a continence advisor or urology.		
Urinary Sheath Fixer Strap (E&E Medical Supplies Ltd)	SHFIX	Pack of 10 £9.75 (£0.97 each). Most cost effective.
Incontinaid Sheath Holder (S G & P Payne / Bullen)	1123	Pack of 10 £12.17 (£1.22 each).

Adhesive Remover

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First Choice:		
These products are prescribed for difficult urinary sheath removal only, not routinely required.		
	Product Code:	Cost and information
StoCare Remove XL Medical Adhesive Remover Spray	STC 300	100ml spray (£10.15: 10.2p/ml)
Offmate Stoma Adhesive Remover	OM 50	50ml spray (£5.23: 10.5p/ml)
If first choice products unsuitable the following can be prescribed on the advice of a continence advisor:		
Lift Plus 360 Citrus Medical Adhesive Remover	5507	50ml spray (£5.30: 10.6p/ml)
Lift Plus 360 Medical Adhesive Remover	5506	50ml spray (£5.30: 10.6p/ml)
The following may be prescribed only if the patient is unable to manage a spray:		
StoCare Remove Medical Adhesive Remover Wipes	STC 200	30 wipes (£8.50: 28.3p/wipe)

Urine Directors / Urinals

Last reviewed: Dec 2022 Click [here](#) for guidance and information

Next review: Dec 2025

URINE DIRECTORS/URINALS		Product Code	Cost (DT Nov22)
MALE	Male Funnel	6-35	£14.06
	Male Funnel Mini	6-35M	£14.06
	Adult Funnel Short (Male)	6-37	£14.05
	Male Youth Funnel	6-38	£14.05
	Male Urine Bottle (Closed End)	6-51	£14.79
	Male Draining Jug/bottle with Tap	6-50T	£15.22
	Male URIBag (pocket urinal) - Manfred Sauer	URIBag	£15.12
FEMALE OR RETRACTED PENIS	Beambridge Lady Funnel	6-40	£14.63
	Beambridge Lady Jug	6-45	£16.38
	Bridge Saddle Urinal	6-26	£15.22
	Bridge Urinal with Tap	6-18T	£15.22
	Bridge Urinal without Tap	6-18	£15.22
	Female URIBag (pocket urinal) Manfred Sauer	URIBagF	£15.12

Lubricant Gel

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Next review: February 2027

First Choice:				
Lubricant gel will be prescribed for regular bowel care or insertion of non lubricated catheters only.				
	Product Code:	Size or Weight	Basic Price (p)	Price per gram (p)
MediLube		82g tube	155	1.9
Lube in a Tube		82g tube	159	1.9
If first choices unavailable the following can be prescribed:				
OptiLube	1122	82g tube	179	2.2
Aquagel		82g tube	183	2.2
First Choice (for sterile catheter insertion only):				
MediLube		5g sachet	11	2.2
If first choice unavailable the following can be prescribed:				
OptiLube	1120	5g sachet	16	3.2

Faecal Collector

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Next review: April 2026

The following may be prescribed on the recommendation of a continence advisor, gastroenterology or colorectal team:			
Product	Order No.	Size	Cost & Information
Hollister Faecal Collector, pack of 10	9822	500ml	Pack of 10 £49.74 (£4.97 each).
	9821	1000ml	Faecal Collector Hollister UK

Anal Inserts (Plugs)

Last reviewed: July 2023 Click [here](#) for guidance and information

Next review: July 2026

First Choice, most cost effective & suitable for ANTT:			
Product	Order No.	Size	Cost & Information
Renew Insert	FG730	Regular	Pack of 30 £70.54 (£2.35 each).
	FG731	Large	
The following may be prescribed on the recommendation of a continence advisor, gastroenterology or colorectal team, where the above formulary option is unsuitable.			
Product	Order No.	Size	Cost & Information
Navina Faecal Incontinence Insert	6930400	Standard	Pack of 30 £85.22 (£2.84 each).
	6930500	Large	

Note that Peristeen® anal plug is discontinued (verbal confirmation from manufacturer July 2023). Residual stocks available, but patients should be switched to a formulary alternative as soon as possible.

GUIDANCE / INFORMATION

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Catheters & Accessories Guidance

Intermittent Urinary Catheters

- Intermittent catheters should be considered the first line treatment for catheterisation.
- Choose the appropriate length and size.
 - Females (10ch - 14ch) length 20cm.
 - Males (12ch - 18ch). Length 40cm.
- Intermittent catheter information leaflets are available through your local Specialist Continence Service / Intranet.
- Use standard length catheter for male patients unless otherwise advised by Urology for stricture management.
- Anaesthetic gel is not required with hydrophilic catheters but may be used to aid the first few insertions. If anaesthetic gel is used it must be prescribed and wait a minimum of 5 minutes before introducing the catheter to allow it to take effect.



Indwelling Urinary Catheters

- **All catheters on formulary are suitable for urethral or suprapubic use EXCEPT those with a Tiemann tip.** Choose the appropriate size and length of catheter.
- Female length size 12 -16ch catheter (Due to functional difficulties some females may require a standard length 12-16ch for comfort).
- For males you **MUST** always use standard length size 12-18ch catheter. **Under no circumstances should a female length catheter be used in a male.**
- Long-term catheters are made of all silicone or coated hydrogel latex and can stay in situ for up to 12 weeks.
- Short-term catheters are made from coated PTFE latex and should stay in situ no longer than 28 days.
- All patients with a known latex allergy / sensitivity must have an all-silicone catheter.
- Length and balloon volume can be found on the packaging or the balloon inflation valve.
- All catheters on formulary have pre-filled syringes unless otherwise stated.
- Catheter balloon inflation volume in millilitres (ml) is stated on product labels. Do not under or over-inflate the balloon above its advised minimum/maximum volume inflation interval. Balloons must be inflated with the correct volume to ensure even inflation and correct position of the catheter. If a different size balloon is required, then a different catheter should be prescribed which has a balloon that can be inflated to the required volume.
- All catheters on the Formulary have adhesive labels that must be used in patient documentation.



- Adequate supplies of catheters and equipment needed should be ordered (including prescribed catheterisation gel).
- Catheterisation gel must be prescribed for use prior to each insertion of an indwelling catheter. See [Catheterisation gel](#) section below for further information and prescribing guidance.
- Indwelling catheter patient leaflets are available through your local Specialist Continence Service / Intranet.

All Catheters are universally colour coded:	
Colour	Size (Charrier / CH)
Black	10
White	12
Green	14
Orange	16
Red	18
Yellow	20
Purple	22
Blue	24

Catheterisation gel

National guidance ([NICE Quality standard QS61](#): Quality statement 4) recommends using a suitable lubricant from a single-use container when inserting urinary catheters to minimise the risk of infection and trauma to the urethra.

First line formulary choices contain lidocaine and chlorhexidine in a sterile lubricant gel within a prefilled syringe. These ingredients provide localised pain relief and help reduce the risk of infection, while also giving lubrication to allow for a smooth process.

These are available in two sizes, 11 ml, and 6 ml: Prescribe 11mls for male genitalia / 6mls for female genitalia and 6mls for suprapubic catheterisation.

Wait a minimum of 5 minutes after insertion of anaesthetic gel before introducing the catheter, to allow maximum urethral anaesthesia (follow manufacturer's instructions).

First line anaesthetic gel must not be used in patients with known hypersensitivities to the active ingredients or any of the excipients. In this situation, the following second line products may be suitable:

- OptiLube Active CHG Free can be prescribed for patients with a contraindication or sensitivity to Chlorhexidine Gluconate (CHG).
- OptiLube Sterile lubricating catheterisation jelly with no active ingredient can be prescribed for patients with contraindications or sensitivities to local anaesthetic (Lidocaine) and/or antiseptic (Chlorhexidine Gluconate).

Catheter Retaining Straps

- These must be used for all patients with an indwelling catheter in accordance with national guidance.
- These may be used for patients using a sheath.
- To reduce the risk of trauma and friction.
- Single-patient use only.
- Ensure size is appropriate for the patient (Strap can be cut if too long in length for the patient using single use scissors).
- A catheter retaining strap is usually worn on the leg in the thigh position.
- For those with a suprapubic catheter, the strap can be positioned on the lower abdomen.
- Catheter retaining strap must be washed according to manufacturer's instructions.
- How to use a catheter retaining strap:
 - Before securing the catheter and/or tubing, place the strap around the leg or abdomen, ensuring the silicone lines are facing the skin. Ensure the strap is secure, but not too tight that it prevents normal blood circulation, and the clasp is easily accessible.
 - Position the clasp over the tubing.
 - Wrap the clasp around and under the tubing.
 - Push the tapered end of the clasp through the eyelet.
 - Gently pull the clasp to tighten around the tube. Pull the clasp up and over, then press the tapered end into place and secure it on the main strap.



Adhesive Catheter Fixation Devices

- Should not routinely be used.
- Use of adhesive devices increases risk of skin irritation and has greater infection control risk as debris can adhere to adhesive residue.
- Alternative for patients unable to tolerate catheter retaining strap.
- Risk assessment is required for patients with fragile skin and / or confusion / cognitive impairment.

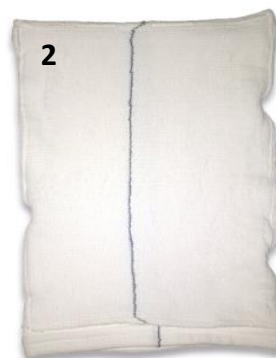
If these are to be used, then Ugo fix gentle catheter clip should be first choice, as this has a re-adhesive silicone gel pad which ensures minimal trauma on removal, is easy to reposition and leaves no sticky residue.

Drainage bag sleeves

- A good support system for patients with catheter sheath leg bags.
- Ensure correct size is selected by measuring mid-thigh or mid-calf depending on where catheter bag is to be worn.
- Follow manufacturer instructions for sizing and fitting.
- Single use measuring guides are recommended.
- Ensure patient is shown how to apply and recheck sizing.
- Can be laundered as per manufacturers' instructions.
- Single-patient use only.



- Two styles are included on formulary:
 - First choice sleeves (photograph 1) form a pocket and the leg bag is inserted at the top passing the tap through an outlet at the bottom of the bag.
 - Aquasleeve (photograph 2) pulls onto the leg like a stocking and then folds back over the positioned leg bag. It has a small opening for the tap.



Leg Bags

- Choose the appropriate length of tube considering patient preference and functionality.
- Leg bags attached directly to a catheter must be sterile.
- If attached to a sheath can be non-sterile.
- Catheter bag sleeve will promote patient comfort and reduce allergy and irritation from catheter straps.
- Change leg bags every 7 days.
- All catheter bag changes undertaken by health or social care staff must be documented in the patient records.
- Always maintain the continuity of the sterile drainage system by avoiding unnecessary disconnection.
- Urine samples must be taken from needle free sample port only when clinically indicated.



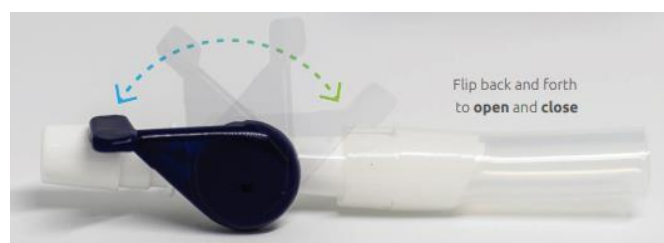
Belly Bags

- Alternative drainage system for urethral and suprapubic catheters.
- Can remain in situ for up to 28 days (not appropriate for patients who require frequent disconnection of a closed drainage system).
- Capacity up to 1 litre.
- Secure around the waist with adjustable strap.
- For female patients using a belly bag, standard length catheters must be used.
- Does not connect to a night drainage bag. Therefore, is not suitable for patients who produce more than one litre of urine overnight unless they are happy / able to wake to empty this.
- Cannot be used with bladder infusion kit, so not suitable if having regular catheter maintenance solutions.



Catheter Valves

- Alternative to drainage bag and should be considered as an option for patients with a urethral or suprapubic catheter as provides greater comfort and freedom and encourages normal bladder contraction.
- Ensure patient/carer has the cognitive ability and dexterity to manage the valve and has sufficient bladder capacity and sensation.
- Catheter valves should be released to empty the bladder dependent on individual bladder function (Maximum length of time before being released 4 hours in the daytime).
- Catheter valves can remain in situ for 7 days and single use 2 litre drainage bags can be linked on if required for nighttime.



- Not suitable for patients with severe cognitive impairment, ureteric reflux, renal impairment (check eGFR and creatinine), reduced bladder capacity, poor manual dexterity and following some urological surgery including radical prostatectomy.
- Catheter valve patient information leaflets are available through your local Specialist Continence Service / Intranet.

Larger Volume Drainage Bags

2 - 3 litre drainage bags

Non-Sterile Drainable Single use:

- Twist off or slide single use tap. Scissors must not be used to drain.
- Single use only.
- Use once and discard, cannot be reused.
- Cannot be attached directly to a catheter.
- Can only be used to link onto leg bag.

Sterile Drainable:

- These would not be used routinely, however there may be circumstances where they are needed or preferred by the patient.
- Empty via the tap, close tap after emptying.
- If attached directly to the catheter it can stay in situ for up to 7 days.



4-week supply

- When the plan is for a urinary catheter to remain in place for a short period of time only (i.e., trial without catheter planned), then issuing prescriptions for catheter drainage supplies can result in excess products being supplied.
- If this is likely, then a UGO 4-week kit should be prescribed containing 4 weeks supply of leg bags and straps, night (2 litre) single use drainage bags, catheter fixation devices and patient and carer user guides.

Bladder Infusion Kit Guidance

- Allows clinicians to easily administer catheter maintenance solution without the need to disconnect the catheter and drainage bag. Aseptic technique can be maintained, and infection risk minimised.
- Clamp for stopping flow to the leg bag.
- Funnel which provides access to needle-free sample port
- Use when maintenance solutions are more than once a week (leg bag is otherwise changed each time a maintenance solution is used).



Catheter Maintenance Solutions (CMS) Guidance

See [Appendix 1](#) for CMS pathway

Optiflo S 50mls.

- To check patency of catheter.
- To clear debris.
- The wrapping should not be removed for use.

Urotainer Suby G 2 x 30mls

- Only to be prescribed following individual assessment.
- Use 10-15mls from either chamber, clamp off for 5 minutes and repeat using second chamber.

IF UNSURE DISCUSS WITH YOUR LOCAL SPECIALIST CONTINENCE SERVICE.

- Follow local guidance. Contact your local specialist continence service for information or refer to appendix 1 for pathway.
- A new leg bag should be used after each administration of a Catheter Maintenance Solution unless using a Bladder Infusion Kit.



Sheaths Guidance

- Sheath sizes vary from manufacturer to manufacturer. therefore, the penis must be measured mid shaft with the relevant manufacturers (single use) measuring guide.
- Fit according to manufacturer's instructions.
- Change every 24hrs in accordance with manufacturer's guidance.
- Pubic hair guards are available with some sheaths within this Formulary.
- Sheaths should be removed using soap and warm water.
- If used correctly there should be no need to use other products such as adhesives and adhesive removers.
- Formulary sheaths are available in a range of styles and sizes as follows:
 - **Standard:** Standard length sheath with centrally positioned adhesive. Suitable for men with an average length penis.
 - **Pop On / Short:** Shorter length sheath combined with a maximum adhesive area or forward placement of adhesive. Suitable for men with a short or retracted penis.
 - **Wide Band:** Standard length with greater adhesive area to maximise security. Useful for those who are more active and / or have trouble keeping other style sheaths in place.
- Sheath patient information leaflets are available through your local Specialist Continence Service / Intranet.



Body-worn Urinals Guidance:

The term 'Body-worn urinal' describes a range of male devices designed to collect urine as it leaves the body. They are mainly reusable, although they can have a disposable part such as a urine collection bag. They offer an alternative to a disposable sheath system and are secured in place using either straps, specially designed underwear or occasionally adhesive.

Body-worn urinals are available in a range of styles and sizes. Some are designed for use with a shortened or retracted penis. A good, comfortable fit will improve the success of the product, so it is vital that individuals are carefully measured and fitted by someone familiar with the product.

Retracted Penis Pouch Guidance

A retracted penis pouch is useful for men who have a shortened or retracted penis and are unable to wear a traditional sheath or body-worn device. They may also suit men who are obese and have difficulty accessing the shaft of the penis for application of a sheath.

Penile pouches are small urine collection bags with an adhesive ring that sticks onto the pubic area around the penis. It is necessary to shave or trim the pubic hair to ensure that the adhesive can stick effectively to the skin securing the pouch in place properly. The opening can be cut to size to fit different penis widths.

Urine is collected in the pouch and emptied when convenient through a small tap at the bottom of the bag. Penile pouches are usually disposable and can be worn for 24-48 hours. Penile pouches are disposable products and are available as 'one size fits all'.

Sheath Fixing Strips & Adhesives Guidance

If sheath adhesion is problematic, the patient should be reviewed by a continence specialist to ensure the sheath used is the most suitable style and size for the individual. If fitting issues cannot be resolved, the use of a sheath fixing strip may be recommended.

Sheath fixing strips are placed onto the penis (encircling it) either underneath the sheath, over it, or both. The presence of adhesive, thickness and size of the strips can vary.

Some Sheaths require a double-sided adhesive strip to attach them to the penis. The adhesive strips are placed onto the penis (encircling it) and the Sheath is rolled over the penis, attaching to the adhesive strips. The thickness and size of the strips can vary.

The types of sheath fixing strips within Nottinghamshire continence formulary are as follows:

Double Sided Hydrocolloid Sheath Liner: Adhesive on both sides. Use to provide a firmer, more reliable grip for urinary sheaths attached to the penis. The adhesive strips are placed onto the penis (encircling it) and the sheath rolled over the penis, attaching to the adhesive strips. Secures the inner side of the sheath.

Urifix tape: a polyurethane, latex free, cohesive tape, which only sticks to itself. It therefore helps to both prevent adhesive damage to the skin and provide a secure, comfortable, fit for the urinary sheath around the penile shaft. As tape will only stick to itself it can also be used to protect small abrasions and sores. UriFix Tape can be used underneath the sheath, over it, or both, to provide a secure fit and help keep the sheath in place.

Thick double-sided foam strip: used if double sided hydrocolloid sheath liners do not provide enough support to secure the sheath. They are used in the same way as the hydrocolloid sheath liners to secure the inner side of the sheath.

Velcro Foam Straps are designed to provide additional security to the urinary sheath. When applied over the top of the sheath and fastened in place via the Velcro hook & loop system, an extra level of security is provided to ensure the sheath stays in place. These devices should be washed and reused. Users should be advised to hand or machine wash on a warm setting, using mild detergent, and air dry.

Adhesive Remover Guidance

Sheath removal should not usually require the use of adhesive remover, men should be advised to follow manufacturer's instructions for removal. They should not remove the sheath 'dry', but either remove it in the shower or bath or use a warm soapy flannel to wash around the sheath prior to removal, then gently unroll the sheath without pulling. Once the sheath has been removed, the penis and foreskin should be washed thoroughly to remove any adhesive residue.

Adhesive removers should only be prescribed if sheath removal is difficult, painful, or skin damage has occurred despite following the above guidance.

Silicone-based, alcohol-free preparations are preferred.

Sprays are generally more cost-effective than wipes and should therefore be prescribed first line. Wipes can be prescribed for those that need them, e.g., for people who lack the manual strength or dexterity to use a spray.

Either a spray or wipes should be prescribed, not both.

The quantity of adhesive remover required will depend on the frequency of sheath change. As a rule, 50ml (possibly up to 100ml) of spray or 30 wipes may be needed per 30 sheaths.

Excessive ordering of adhesive removers should be questioned. It may signify that the person is having problems and needs a sheath reassessment.

Urine Directors / Urinals Guidance

Urinals

- Single-patient use only in all settings.
- To be cleaned in accordance with LOCAL INFECTION CONTROL POLICY.
- CARE HOMES - Urinals should be marked clearly with patient's name and used only for that specific patient.
- **Wash using hot soapy water dry and store appropriately after each use.**

Male Urinal

- Available to buy / community equipment loan service.
- Useful if the patient prefers to stand the urinal up.



For specialist equipment, please seek advice from your local Specialist Continence Service.

Male Funnel (Urine Director)

- Useful for men with retracted penis or difficulty directing flow.
- The Male Funnel serves a range of purposes and has been designed for use in bed and out of bed. The product is moulded from a soft grippy plastic, which is easy to hold in place and comfortable against skin.
- Can be used to aid toileting by attaching a drainable 2 litre drainage bag if managing a urinal is difficult. This needs to be changed every 7 days.
- For men with sufficient mobility and continence, the funnels can be used to help as a director when urinating into a toilet.
- Different sizes available.
- Can also be used with Beambridge male drainage jug to reduce risk of complete spillage.



Male draining jug with or without tap

- Helpful for patients with mobility problems.
- Designed for use in or out of bed. The product is moulded from a soft grippy plastic, which is easy to hold in place and comfortable against skin.



- For men who void large amounts of urine a 2 or 3 litre drainage bag (change every 7 days) can be attached.
- Not suitable if patient chooses to stand the urinal by the bed or chair.
- With tap closed, has a useable volume of 400ml.
- To reduce the risk of spillage, the Adult Funnel Short can be used as a non-spill adaptor.

Male URIBag

- **CONTAINS LATEX**
- Useful for men when travelling.
- Small enough to put in the pocket.
- Do not use disinfectants or bleach.
- Turn the urinal inside out to wash & dry.
- Ensure rubber lining is not perished to avoid accidents.
- Keep out of direct sunlight.



Female Bridge Saddle Urinal

- Specifically designed for women to use in bed. The curved shell contours to the body allowing the woman to pass fluid easily into the chamber when sitting up or lying down.
- Has a closed end and does not drain; will require emptying after each void.
- Total useable unit volume = 750ml.
- Helpful for patients with mobility problems, or to assist carer.



Female Bridge urinal with or without tap



- Helpful for patients with restricted movements/ mobility problems or to assist carer.
- Useful for chair / wheelchair or bed bound patients.
- The curved shell contours to the body allowing the woman to pass fluid easily into the chamber when sitting up or lying down.
- Total useable unit volume without a bag = 400ml.
- Options:
 - With Tap: Can be used with or without a Drainage Bag.
 - Without Tap: Must be used with a Drainage Bag.
- For women who void large amounts of urine a 2 or 3-litre drainage bag from Formulary can be used with the urinal. This needs to be changed every 7 days.

Lady Jug

- Designed for women to use in bed and serves as an alternative to the Bridge Urinal (above). The product is moulded from a soft plastic, which comfortably seals with the skin and helps minimise leakage.
- The Lady Jug is not designed to store fluid and must be used with a 2 litre Drainage Bag (change every 7 days).



Lady Funnel (urine director)

- Designed for women to use out of bed.
- It is recommended that the woman sits on the edge of a chair / bed or stands and holds the funnel in place.
- Moulded from soft plastic, which comfortably seals with the skin and helps minimise leakage.
- The Lady Funnel is not designed to store fluid and must be used with a 2 litre Drainage Bag (change every 7 days).
- Useful for a woman who is unable to sit on the toilet to pass urine.



Female URIBag

- **CONTAINS LATEX**
- Useful for women when travelling.
- Small enough to put in the pocket.
- Do not use disinfectants or bleach.
- Turn the urinal inside out to wash & dry.
- Ensure rubber lining is not perished to avoid accidents.
- Keep out of direct sunlight.



Lubricant Gel Guidance

Lubricant gel should be prescribed for patients who require regular, invasive, bowel procedures such as manual removal of faeces, as inadequate lubrication can result in damage to the rectal mucosa.

Faecal Collector Guidance

A faecal collection device, or external anal pouch, is intended to collect stool as it passes from the rectum. The stool is collected in a bag or pouch, which is periodically emptied. These products are designed to contain liquid stool and help protect perianal skin from irritation and maceration caused by faecal discharge.

The flexible, adhesive wafer, which has an opening at its centre, adheres to the skin around the anus and the other side is connected to a collection bag. The bag has a re-sealable port at the lower end through which faeces can be emptied without the need to remove the wafer from the skin. This port can also be connected to a larger gravity drainage bag. Some bags also have a filter to allow flatus to escape and prevent the bag filling with gas.

The nature of this product means it may not be suitable for use if / when the patient is mobile or in a sitting position.

These products are not intended to replace thorough investigation and treatment of changes in bowel habit and continence but can help a patient to manage their symptoms whilst investigation and treatment is ongoing or if problems cannot be resolved.



Anal Insert (Plug) Guidance

Anal inserts, sometimes known as anal plugs, are shaped products that are inserted into the rectum to prevent leakage of stool.

These products can work well for many people whose symptoms have not resolved following treatment (from continence service or colorectal team) to resolve their symptoms. Many experience a positive effect on their quality of life from them; however, their effectiveness has been found to vary and some people are unable to use them.

Correct fitting is important for comfort and to ensure they have the best chance of working. The products are available in different sizes and starter sets are available to allow people to find the most effective size for their needs. Always prescribe a starter set for trial first.

Correct insertion is very important, people should be given advice and guidance on how to do this.

Not suitable for use by patients who have undergone rectal surgery within the past 4 weeks.

Not suitable for people who have an allergy to silicone.

Renew Insert (Renew Medical):



Navina Faecal Incontinence Insert:



Trans Anal Irrigation Guidance

Transanal bowel irrigation (TAI) – anal irrigation is the instillation of warm water into the descending colon and rectum to facilitate evacuation of stools. Water can be introduced by either a cone (manually held in place in the anus) or a rectal catheter (held in place with an inflated balloon) and may be assisted with an electric device when clinically indicated. (RCN 2019).

It can be considered in several clinical conditions, such as chronic constipation, faecal incontinence, obstructive defecation syndrome (ODS) and neurogenic bowel dysfunction. TAI is a bowel care procedure that is usually considered if other, less invasive, methods of bowel management have failed to adequately control symptoms. It is usually performed by the patient whilst sitting on the toilet or a commode and helps to promote self-care. There are also bed systems available to meet the needs of patients who are unable to use the toilet. (RCN 2019).

Trans Anal irrigation (TAI) should not be carried out before less invasive options have been tried. A thorough assessment (undertaken by a specialist experienced in both TAI and the alternative, less invasive, treatment options) and consideration of the patients' preferences and tolerance should confirm the reason for initiation, for example, failure of conservative therapy, unpredictability of bowel function, help to ascertain the optimal TAI system for a patient to use and identify any criteria that would contraindicate the use of TAI.

Assessment should also include digital rectal examination prior to commencing TAI, preferably within 48 hours of the first actual irrigation so that the procedure can be performed safely.

TAI devices can be categorised into low-or high-volume; cones, catheters, or balloon inflating devices; manual, electric pump, or gravity-fed systems; and bed systems.

The differences between the available systems mean they may not be interchangeable, if systems become unavailable, or the patient is having problems, advice should be sought from a continence specialist to determine an appropriate alternative or to arrange reassessment.

Stress Incontinence Devices Guidance

These devices are prescribed by the GP following advice from a continence specialist. They are not prescribed long term by the continence prescription services.

Internal vaginal devices for stress incontinence are placed inside the vagina to support the bladder neck or compress the urethra and thereby reduce or prevent leakage. Most internal vaginal devices currently available are products designed specifically to reduce stress urinary incontinence (SUI).

Internal vaginal devices can be hazardous if used incorrectly. Women should be advised to always follow manufacturers' instructions.

Internal vaginal devices are intended for use during normal everyday activities. While the devices work well for some women, for others they do not.

They may be most effective for women with minimal to moderate SUI leakage.

Any internal device can cause discomfort or irritation so some women may limit their use to times when wearing a pad may be less convenient or to provide occasional continence protection during physical activities such as exercising or dancing.

Internal vaginal devices can be used by women with both bowel and bladder leakage, but they will not improve the bowel leakage.

Some women find that while the devices reduce their incontinence, they do not prevent leakage completely.

Although these devices may cause some discomfort, women can find this an acceptable trade-off for a reduction in leakage.

More information about internal vaginal devices for stress incontinence, available on or off prescription can be found here: <https://www.continenceproductadvisor.org/femaledevices>.

Stress incontinence devices should only be prescribed following the recommendation of a continence specialist.

Further Information and Contacts

Any queries please contact your local specialist continence service:

Continence Advisory Service, City

- Nottingham CityCare Partnerships 0115 883 8900, option 1

Continence Advisory Service, County

Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust:

- Bassetlaw Single Point of Referral - 01777 274422
- Mid Notts Patient Call - 01623 781891
- South Notts Continence Prescription Service-- 0115 883 5145

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7.0	Nottinghamshire Continence Formulary Group	February 2024	Changed order of products for ease of use Added sections for body-worn urinals or pouches, sheath fixing strips and adhesive, adhesive remover & lubricant gel. Updated indwelling catheter section. Updated GUIDANCE section, inc. adding guidance for trans anal irrigation and stress incontinence devices.
7.1	Nottinghamshire Continence Formulary Group	March 2024	Formatting – changed red to amber to avoid confusion with traffic lights.
7.2	Nottinghamshire Continence Formulary Group	April 2024	PDF version had intermittent catheter set (pre-lubricated) section missing, so re-PDF'd.

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Appendix 1 – Catheter Maintenance Solution Pathway

LEVEL 2 DECISION MAKING TOOL FOR CATHETER MAINTENANCE SOLUTIONS (CMS)
ONLY IF ALL CONSERVATIVE METHODS HAVE NOT BEEN SUCCESSFUL

Encrustation confirmed with Ph > 7 and visual inspection/ palpation of catheter tip and lumen

