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Dear

FOI-0924-984

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information received on the 9th September 2024. We can confirm that the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board can provide the following information.

An anonymised copy of this response will be made publicly available on the ICB website.

Please see our responses in blue below:

You previously confirmed having a Local Enhanced Services (LES) or Directed Enhanced Service (DES) in place for Primary Care related to wound care. Regarding this

1. Does the LES/DES include postoperative wound management? Y/N If yes: Yes, (some are included – see Guidance sheet below highlighted in blue).

a) what is the inclusion criteria?

- Registered practice patients.
- Able to attend surgery premises.
- Patients requiring simple wound care including following surgical procedures.

b) what is the exclusion criteria?

- Complex wound care or wound care for house bound patients.
- Treatment of leg ulcers.

Guidance Sheet	
What is a Simple Wound?	Simple wound are wounds involving only the skin and not the deeper structures, no drains and no packing.
Examples of a simple wound	These are wounds that may require suture/clip removal but should be healed within a few weeks. They may include abrasions and first degree burns/scalds but not leg ulcers or pressure sores.

Are minor procedures included?	They do not include removal of sutures from procedures where a body cavity has been opened or a joint replaced.
Where do I refer complex wound care?	All other wound care should be referred to the district nursing service or tissue viability. Prescriptions for wound care should be from the agreed wound care formulary green section
What about the housebound Patients?	Wound care will be provided in the surgery only. Patients requiring care in their own home will be the responsibility of the district nursing service.
What if the wound is not improving?	Any wound that does not heal within a few weeks period should be classed as complex and referred to the district nursing service who may choose to involve tissue viability or other specialist services if appropriate.
What about the infected wound?	Prescribe from amber section of formulary for two weeks only and an exemption form to be completed and forwarded to Medicines Management Team.

c) what is the claim amount?

£30 per attendance (maximum of one attendance per day will be paid).

2. Does the LES/DES include traumatic wounds e.g. trauma and skin tears? Y/N

If yes:

a) what is the inclusion criteria?

b) what is the exclusion criteria?

c) what is the claim amount?

No.

3. Does the LES/DES include pressure ulcer prevention or pressure ulcer wound care? Y/N If yes:

a) what prevention activities are included?

b) what pressure ulcer treatment is included?

c) what is the inclusion criteria?

d) what is the exclusion criteria?

e) what is the claim amount?

No.

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response please do not hesitate to contact us. If you are dissatisfied with the response, you are entitled to request an internal review which should be formally requested in writing and must be within two calendar months from the date this response was issued.

To request an internal review

You can request an internal review by contacting the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board FOI team by emailing the team at StaffsStokeFOI@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk or by post to the address at the top of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board's FOI complaints procedure.

The ICO can be contacted at:

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Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Yours sincerely

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