

## BOB ICB and Frimley ICB Priorities Committee Clinical Commissioning Policy Statement

<b>Policy Number/ Name</b>	BOBFPC69 Reversal of Female Sterilisation and Reversal of Male Sterilisation (Vasectomy)
<b>Date of BOB ICB Adoption</b>	February 2024

The Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire, and Berkshire West ICB and Frimley ICB Priorities Committee has reviewed the provision of reversal of female sterilisation and reversal of male sterilisation procedures across Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire, and Berkshire West ICB and Frimley ICB.

Sterilisation aims to permanently remove fertility by means of vasectomy (male sterilisation) or tubal occlusion (female sterilisation), therefore the providers of this service must adhere to the national recommendations in their provision of pre-sterilisation assessment, counselling and obtaining a valid consent.

Reversal of female sterilisation and reversal of male sterilisation is **not normally funded**.

**OPCS codes:**

**Reversal of female sterilisation**

- Q29 Open reversal of female sterilisation
- Q29.1 Reanastomosis of fallopian tube NEC
- Q29.2 Open removal of clip from fallopian tube NEC Includes: Open removal of ring from fallopian tube NEC
- Q29.8 Other specified
- Q29.9 Unspecified
- Q37 Endoscopic reversal of female sterilisation
- Q37.1 Endoscopic removal of clip from fallopian tube
- Q37.8 Other specified
- Q37.9 Unspecified

**Reversal of vasectomy**

- N18.1 Reversal of bilateral vasectomy

**NOTES:**

- Potentially exceptional circumstances may be considered by a patient's ICB where there is evidence of significant health status impairment (e.g. inability to perform activities of daily living) and there is evidence that the intervention sought would improve the individual's health status.
- This policy was developed and recommended by Thames Valley Priorities Committee which was the predecessor of Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire, and Berkshire West ICB and Frimley ICB Priorities Committee.
- This policy will be reviewed in the light of new evidence or new national guidance, e.g., from NICE.
- BOBFPC clinical policies can be viewed at [Clinical Commissioning Policy Statements & IFRs | BOB ICB](#)

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