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The policy should include a contents page, as set out below, and be structured around all of the headings shown (although not necessarily in the same order)

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Each appendix will be numbered to follow on from the policy document.

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## Policy: The National EBI Programme and Local EBI Policies

### The National EBI Programme

All National EBI Programme Guidance is adopted as local policy. This includes:

- [NHSE \(2018\) Evidence-Based Interventions: Guidance for CCGs](#) (known as List 1)
- [AoMRC \(2020\) Evidence-Based Interventions List 2 Guidance](#) (known as List 2)
- [AoMRC \(2022\) Evidence-Based Interventions List 3 Clinical Guidance Proposals](#) (known as List 3)

For some procedures included in the national EBI programme, there is also a local EBI policy supplement. These act to:

- Address alternative indications for the procedure that are outside the scope of the national EBI guidance
  - o e.g. national covers adenoideotomy as adjuvant to grommet insertion, local covers for OSA
- Provide criteria relating to a different aspect of clinical decision making
  - o e.g. cholecystectomy – national considers timing of surgery, local considers clinical indications
- Provide clarity on definitions in national guidance
  - o E.g. subacromial decompression of the shoulder and the definition of persistent symptoms
- Add additional restrictions reflecting local priorities or updated evidence
  - o e.g. liposuction for lipoedema, reflecting subsequent NICE guidance

Where national and local policy contradict each other, the local policy should be followed, as this reflects local commissioning priorities and budgeting.

### HWE APC statements

Pharmacological management is outside of the scope of the local EBI programme. Please refer instead to the Herts and West Essex Area Prescribing Committee statements. [\[add link\]](#) These should be consulted whenever EBI policies make reference to optical medical management.

### Specialist commissioning

Local EBI policies only apply to procedures which are the commissioning responsibility of CCG/ICB.

Where commissioning responsibility for a procedure and clinical indication lies with NHS England, patients should be managed at NHS England accredited centres.

### Scope of local EBI policies

Local EBI policies do not apply when the referral or intervention relates to:

- Suspected cancer / urgent 2 week wait referral
- Emergency presentations requiring immediate intervention

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