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Subject:	Continence pads and containment products
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Requested:

Please provide the details specified in (a) - (c) below concerning the provision of continence pads and containment products (including nappies and 'pull ups') for disabled children and disabled young people within your Board's area.

- a. The eligibility criteria that determine what type and what quantity of continence pads and containment products can be provided for disabled children and disabled young people.
- b. Please provide a copy (in printed or electronic form) of the guidance that your Board requires practitioners to have regard to when authorising the provision of continence pads and containment products for disabled children and disabled young people; and
- c. The work title (or post or qualifications or other designation) that identifies the practitioners who can authorise the provision of continence pads and containment products for disabled children and disabled young people.

Response:

- a. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) provides a copy of its Continence Care Policy, that is used to determine the type and quantity of continence pads and containment products required for disabled children and disabled young people, at Attachment 1.
- b. Please see Attachment 1.
- c. The UHB has Health Care Professionals that assess an individual's needs. However, the UHB's Bladder and Bowel Service authorises the provision of continence pads and containment products for disabled children and disabled young people. The team operates in accordance with the 'Guidance for the provision of continence containment products to children and young people: A consensus document 2021'. For ease of reference a link to the guidance has been provided below:

[National Clinical Guideline Template \(bbuk.org.uk\)](https://bbuk.org.uk/national-clinical-guideline-template)