

Reference:	FOI.17059.25
Subject:	Formulary
Date of Request:	9 April 2025

Requested:

I am requesting the following information in respect of:

- **Diabetes:**
 - SMBG test strips
 - Pen needles and safety pen needles
 - CGM - Continuous Glucose monitoring systems
- **Continence**
 - Leg Bags
 - Drainage/night bags
 - ISC catheters
 - Foley catheters
 - Incontinence sheaths

For each area:

1. The name(s) and direct contact email address(es) and direct telephone numbers of the person(s) who are responsible for the formulary
2. The date of the next review of your formulary
3. Details of how you intend to review your formulary (include process, timelines)
4. Details if part of a local partnership arrangement for formulary review. Please provide the contact's name, email address and telephone number for the person with responsibility where a partnership arrangement is in place.

Response:

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) does not hold the information requested for the diabetes formulary as it has not yet been determined who will be responsible for this formulary. In the meantime, any enquiries regarding this formulary can be directed to pharmacyMedicinesManagementHDUHB.hdd@wales.nhs.uk

The continence formulary sits within the Cobweb Catheter Formulary and is a collective effort from the Bladder and Bowel Advisory Service (BABAS) team. The formulary is currently under review; however, it has not yet been determined who will be responsible for this formulary. In the meantime, any enquiries regarding this formulary can be directed to BABAS.preseli@wales.nhs.uk

2. The UHB provides, within the table below, the review dates for both the diabetes and continence formularies.

Formulary	Narrative	Review date
Diabetes		
SMBG test strips	The UHB adhere to the All Wales Patient Self-Testing Blood Glucose Meters Guidance v2 2024. This guideline is developed by the NHS Shared Services Partnership. Once they have reviewed and updated the guideline, the UHB will adopt the new version.	July 2026
Pen needles and safety pen needles	This was last reviewed in 2020. There is no current timeline for review.	Pending
CGM - Continuous Glucose Monitoring systems	This was last reviewed in May 2024. Next review will be when new products are launched, or substantial price changes occur.	Pending
Contenance		
Leg Bags	-	Currently under review
Drainage/night bags	-	Currently under review
ISC catheters	-	Currently under review
Foley catheters	-	Currently under review
Incontinence sheaths	-	Currently under review

3. The UHB has not yet determined in detail how it intends to review its formularies. However, the continence formulary will be reviewed by the BABAS team and Clinical Nurse Specialists from across the three (3) counties, with input from the Urology service for certain products.

4. Not applicable.