

Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request Reference FoI/22/539
Formulary Review - Amended

On July 13th, 2022, the National Institute for Health & Care Excellence (NICE) published their Single Technology Appraisal for Icosapent Ethyl, a new medicine into Chapter 2: Cardiovascular System in the lipid-regulating section of the British National Formulary (BNF), please find the link below,
[Project information | Icosapent ethyl with statin therapy for reducing the risk of cardiovascular events in people with raised triglycerides \[ID3831\] | Guidance | NICE](#)

1. The process(es) for drugs which have a NICE Technology Appraisal?

In line with Welsh Government stipulation, all new medicines which have been approved by NICE or the AWMSG are available for prescribing within 60 days of the approval of the Final Appraisal Document (FAD)

2. The name of the formulary committee(s) that will be reviewing this on behalf of your organisation?

Implementation is managed locally and overseen by the corporate Medicines Management group (cMMG). The review is on an all-Wales Basis by NICE or AWMSG.

3. The forthcoming dates of these committee(s) meetings as far as they have been scheduled?

The cMMG meets on the first Thursday of every month.

4. Name of the committee(s) Secretary and contact details?

Formulary Team, formulary.enquiries.cav@wales.nhs.uk

5. Name of the committee(s) Chair and contact details?

After considering your request, the UHB believes that the data requested is classed as personal data as defined under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

However, under Section 16 of the FOIA, which provides us with the duty to advise and assist, the UHB can inform you of the contact details provided to question 4.

6. Copies of the previous two minutes from the committee(s) meetings?

Please see attached.

7. Copy of the Terms of Reference for the committee(s)?

Please see attached.

8. Copy of the application form which needs to be completed, where a different form is applicable for different committees, please send over each one?

The implementation planning document is attached.