

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request Reference FoI/23/564
Continence Pads and Containment Products

Information 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 Details:

- a. Please see the attached PDF titled 'FoI.23.564; Criteria for Referral 2022 Product Provision'.

Please note that the eligibility applies to both adult and paediatric criteria, however 'pull up' product provision relates only to adults in this document.

- b. Please see the attached PDF titled 'FoI.23.564; Guidance for the Provision of Continence Containment Products to Children Paediatric Bladder Bowel UK'.

Please note that this guidance is endorsed by the All Wales Continence Forum (AWCF). As per guidance, all children and young people would have to have been engaged with services and have a toileting programme in place for six months prior to referral for a product assessment.

- c. Currently product provision for all children is carried out by the school nursing service. The practitioners authorising the provision of continence pads and products would be Band 5 School Nurses.

If patients are under the caseload of the Specialist Health Visitors, the Specialist Health Visitors will carry out the assessment for product provision.