

**VBCC POLICY REFERRAL SOURCE GUIDE - Policy V6 - April 2018**

NB: THIS IS TO BE USED AS A GUIDE ONLY

**Legend:**

Primary Care
Secondary Care
Either Primary or Secondary Care

New Policy?	Specialty	Procedure	VBC checker or IFR?
	Plastics	Abdominoplasty	IFR
	Complementary and Alternative Medicines	Acupuncture (Stand Alone Treatment)	IFR
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	General Surgery	Anal Fissure	VBC Checker
	Plastics	Apronectomy	IFR
	Plastics	Arm Lift	IFR
	Complementary and Alternative Medicines	Aromatherapy	IFR
	Orthopaedics	Autologous Cartilage Transplantation	IFR
	General Surgery	Bariatric Surgery	VBC Checker
	Plastics & Ophthalmology & Dermatology	Blepharoplasty	VBC Checker
	Plastics & Breast	Breast Augmentation	IFR
	Plastics & Breast	Breast Prosthesis Removal	VBC Checker
	Plastics & Breast	Breast Prosthesis Replacement	IFR
	Plastics & Breast	Breast Reduction	VBC Checker
	Plastics	Brow Lift	VBC Checker
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Orthopaedics	Bunions / Minor Foot Problems	VBC Checker
	Plastics	Buttock Lift	IFR
	Orthopaedics & Plastics	Carpel Tunnel Syndrome	VBC Checker
	Gastro	Cholecystectomy for asymptomatic gallstones	IFR
	Urology	Circumcision (Adults & Paeds)	VBC Checker
	Complementary and Alternative Medicines	Colonic Irrigation	IFR
	Plastics & Breast	Correction of Breast Asymmetry	IFR
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Gynaecology	Dilatation and Curettage (D&C) for treatment of Heavy Menstrual Bleeding	IFR
	Orthopaedics & Plastics	Dupuytren's Contracture - Collagenase Injections	VBC Checker
	Orthopaedics & Plastics	Dupuytren's Contracture - Surgery	VBC Checker
	Orthopaedics & Plastics	Dupuytren's Contracture - Radiotherapy	IFR
	Fertility	Egg Donation	IFR
	Plastics	Excision of Redundant Skin or Fat	IFR
	Orthopaedics	Exogen Ultrasound Bone Healing	VBC Checker
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Orthopaedics	Extracorporeal Shockwave for MSK conditions	IFR
	Orthopaedics	Extracorporeal Shock Wave Therapy for Plantar Fasciitis	IFR
	Plastics	Face Lift	IFR
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Diabetes	Freestyle Libre Flash Glucose Monitoring	VBC Checker
	Neurology	Functional Electrical Stimulation (Non-implantable Devices)	VBC Checker
	Neurology	Functional Electrical Stimulation (Implantable Devices)	IFR
	Orthopaedics & Plastics	Ganglia	VBC Checker
	Gastro	Gastric Neuromodulation	IFR
	General Surgery	Groin Hernia	VBC Checker
	ENT	Grommets (and other ventilation devices) in Children - Insertion of Ventilation Tube (Grommet)	VBC Checker
	ENT	Grommets (and other ventilation devices) in Children - Referral for Specialist Opinion	VBC Checker
	Plastics & Breast	Gynaecomastia	IFR
	Plastics & Dermatology	Hair Grafting	IFR
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	General Surgery	Haemorrhoidectomy (Surgical)	VBC Checker
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Orthopaedics	Hip Arthroscopy	VBC Checker
	Orthopaedics	Hip Prosthesis and Resurfacing	VBC Checker
	Orthopaedics	Hip Replacement	VBC Checker
	Plastics & Dermatology	Hirsutism - Hair Depilation	VBC Checker
	Complementary and Alternative Medicines	Homeopathy	IFR
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Dermatology	Hyperhidrosis - Referral	VBC Checker
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Dermatology	Hyperhidrosis - Thoracic Sympathectomy (Endoscopic or Open)	IFR
	Dermatology	Hyperhidrosis Treatment with Botulinum Toxin	VBC Checker
	Gynaecology	Hysterectomy for Heavy Menstrual Bleeding	VBC Checker
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Orthopaedics	Ilizarov Technique	VBC Checker
	Plastics & Breast	Inverted Nipple Correction	IFR
	Fertility	IVF / ICSI under 40 years of age	VBC Checker
	Fertility	IVF/ICSI 40-42 years of age	VBC Checker
	Fertility	IVF/ICSI 43+ years of age	VBC Checker
	Orthopaedics	Knee Arthroscopy	VBC Checker
	Orthopaedics	Knee Replacement Surgery	VBC Checker
	Plastics & Gynaecology	Labial Vulvoplasty	IFR
	Plastics	Liposuction	IFR
	Orthopaedics	Low Back Pain - Spinal Injections (Diagnostic)	VBC Checker
	Orthopaedics	Low Back Pain - Spinal Injections (Therapeutic)	IFR
	Orthopaedics	Low Back Pain - Radiofrequency denervation (rhizolysis)	VBC Checker
	Orthopaedics	Low Back Pain - Epidural and nerve root injections	VBC Checker
	Orthopaedics	Low Back Pain - Spinal decompression and discectomy	VBC Checker
	Orthopaedics	Low Back Pain - Spinal Fusion	IFR
	Orthopaedics	Low Back Pain Lumbar disc replacement	IFR
	Complementary and Alternative Medicines	Massage	IFR
	Plastics & Breast	Mastopexy	IFR
	Complementary and Alternative Medicines	Meditation	IFR
	Dermatology & Plastics	Minor Skin Lesions	VBC Checker
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Ophthalmology	Oculoplastic Eye Problems – Blepharitis	VBC Checker
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Ophthalmology	Oculoplastic Eye Problems – Surgery for Minor Eyelid Lesions	VBC Checker
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Ophthalmology	Oculoplastic Eye Problems – Ectropion	VBC Checker
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Ophthalmology	Oculoplastic Eye Problems – Entropion	VBC Checker
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Orthopaedics	Paediatric Foot Problems	VBC Checker
	Plastics & ENT	Pinnoplasty	IFR
	Dermatology & Plastics	Removal of Anal Skin Tags	VBC Checker
	Dermatology & Plastics	Removal of Benign Eyelid Lesions	VBC Checker
	Plastics	Removal of Tattoos	IFR
	Plastics & ENT	Repair of Lobe of External Ear	VBC Checker
	Cardiovascular	Resperate Devices for Hypertension	IFR
	Plastics & Dermatology	Resurfacing Procedures: Dermabrasion, chemical peels and laser treatment	IFR
	Gynaecology	Reversal of Female Sterilisation	IFR
	Urology	Reversal of Male Sterilisation	IFR
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	General Surgery	Sacral Nerve Stimulation for Bladder Symptoms	VBC Checker
	ENT & Plastics	Septorhinoplasty	VBC Checker
	Ophthalmology	Surgery for Refractive Error (including Excimer Laser following corneal transplant or cataract surgery)	VBC Checker
	Orthopaedics & Plastics	Surgery for Trigger Finger	VBC Checker
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Plastics & Dermatology	Surgical Fillers - for Treatment of wrinkles and skin ageing	IFR
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	Plastics & Dermatology	Surgical Treatment for Hair Loss	IFR
	Fertility	Surrogacy	IFR
	Plastics	Thigh Lift	IFR
	ENT	Tonsillectomy for Recurrent Sore Throat	VBC Checker
	Complementary and Alternative Medicines	TENS (Stand Alone Treatment)	IFR
	Plastics & Gynaecology	Vaginoplasty	IFR
	Vascular & General Surgery	Varicose Veins in Legs (Referral)	VBC Checker
	Vascular & General Surgery	Varicose Veins in Legs (Surgery - Ligation and Stripping)	VBC Checker
<b>New - 1st April 2018</b>	General Surgery	Vasectomy under General Anaesthetic	IFR
	Plastics & Gynaecology	Vulvar Lipoplasty	IFR