

## Thames Valley Priorities Committee Commissioning Policy Statement

**Policy No. TVPC69**

**Reversal of female sterilisation  
and reversal of male sterilisation (vasectomy)**

**Recommendation made by  
the Priorities Committee:**

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**May 2021**

Thames Valley Priorities Committee has reviewed the provision of reversal of female sterilisation and reversal of male sterilisation procedures across Thames Valley CCGs.

Sterilisation aims to permanently remove fertility by means of vasectomy (male sterilisation) or tubal occlusion (female sterilisation, therefore the providers of this service must adhere to the national recommendations in their provision of pre-sterilisation assessment, counselling and obtaining a valid consent.

Reversal of female sterilisation and reversal of male sterilisation is **not normally funded**.

### NOTES:

- Potentially exceptional circumstances may be considered by a patient's CCG where there is evidence of significant health status impairment (e.g. inability to perform activities of daily living) and there is evidence that the intervention sought would improve the individual's health status.
- This policy will be reviewed in the light of new evidence or new national guidance, e.g., from NICE.
- Thames Valley clinical policies can be viewed at <http://www.fundingrequests.ccsu.nhs.uk/>

### OPCS codes:

Reversal of female sterilisation

Q29 Open reversal of female sterilisation

Q29.1 Reanastomosis of fallopian tube NEC

Q29.2 Open removal of clip from fallopian tube NEC

Includes: Open removal of ring from fallopian tube NEC

Q29.8 Other specified

Q29.9 Unspecified

Q37 Endoscopic reversal of female sterilisation

Q37.1 Endoscopic removal of clip from fallopian tube

Q37.8 Other specified

Q37.9 Unspecified

Reversal of vasectomy

N18.1 Reversal of bilateral vasectomy

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<sup>1</sup> No changes were made to this policy.