

Policy Statement:	Hair Transplantation
Status:	Not Routinely Funded

WECCG does not routinely fund for hair transplantation or the use of the ‘interlace’ or other hair systems, regardless of gender. Patients who are already being treated and funded by the NHS and who require on-going funding for maintenance and support will be considered on an individual patient basis, and continued funding only granted in clinically exceptional circumstances.

- Treatments for the correction of male or female pattern baldness will not be funded as it is a normal process of ageing.

Funding for patients outside this policy will only be granted in exceptional clinical circumstances.

Patients who are not eligible for treatment under this policy may be considered on an individual basis where their GP or consultant believes exceptional circumstances exist that warrant deviation from the rule of this policy. Individual cases will be reviewed as per the CCG policy.

Please refer also to the cosmetic surgery general principles prior to submitting an exceptional funding request.

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