

Subject: Specialised Services Circular (SSC 2328)
Sent on behalf of: Chair of the SW Specialised Service Circular Group

Dear Colleagues,

Please find attached the following Specialised Services Circular(s):

SSC Number	SSC Title	Trusts approved to prescribe in accordance with the SSC, providing appropriate internal governance arrangements are in place
SSC 2328	Expanded access to licensed use of Elexacaftor/tezacaftor/ivacaftor (Kaftrio®) for patients with cystic fibrosis	University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust

For all other South West region trusts this is for information only.

Trusts should ensure that use is registered on the Blueteq system (if appropriate).

Treatment will only be funded where the drugs minimum dataset is fully and accurately populated.

Please direct any queries to: england.speccomm-southwest@nhs.net

All Chief Executives**All Medical Directors****All Chief Pharmacists**Email: england.speccomm-southwest@nhs.net
24th of January 2022

Dear Colleague,

Re: Expanded access to licensed use of Elexacaftor/ tezacaftor/ ivacaftor (Kaftrio®) for patients with cystic fibrosis.

Further to our letter sent in May 2021 NHS England is writing to confirm it will fund access to the licensed use of Elexacaftor/tezacaftor/ivacaftor (Kaftrio®) for cystic fibrosis, as approved by the UK regulator on 11th January 2022. This is in addition to those mutations previously within the licensed indications within the UK.

The commissioning statement on the approved therapies has been updated and is published on the NHS England website. The following therapy is now included:

- Elexacaftor/tezacaftor/ivacaftor: For people with CF aged 6-11 years who are heterozygous for the F508del mutation combined with any other mutation.

The link to the commissioning statement is below.

[NHS England » Commissioning statement: Ivacaftor, tezacaftor/ivacaftor, lumacaftor/ivacaftor and elexacaftor/tezacaftor/ivacaftor for cystic fibrosis](#)

NHS England's existing commercial agreement with Vertex Pharmaceuticals will include the reimbursement of this additional indication. Please formally communicate this position to treating CF clinicians in your Trust. Trusts are asked to commit to review delivery for eligible patients. Prescribing of this drug will only be through commissioned CF centres (Appendix 1).

These drugs are a High Cost Tariff Exclusion and will be funded via the interim High Cost Drug cost & volume arrangements. Trusts should purchase the drug at

the approved discounted price. Trusts can refer to the CAP portal for further information on the PAS price. The CAP portal is available at <https://nhsengland.sharefile.eu/Authentication/Login>

Stakeholder groups have been informed of this change in access criteria.

With best wishes,



Dr Peter Wilson
Medical Director (Commissioning)



Tracey Williams
Principal Pharmacist

Appendix 1: CF Centres and shared care provider sites March 2021

North West

1. Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust
2. Liverpool Heart & Chest Hospital NHS Foundation
3. Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
4. Central Manchester Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

North East and Yorkshire

5. Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
6. Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust
7. York Teaching Hospital NHS Trust
8. Northern General Hospital, Sheffield
9. Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust
10. Sheffield Children's NHS Trust
11. South Tees Hospitals NHS Trust

Midlands

12. Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust
13. University Hospital Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust
14. Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust
15. University Hospitals Leicester NHS Trust
16. University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust

East of England

17. Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Trust
18. Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
19. Royal Papworth Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

London

20. Kings College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
21. Royal Brompton & Harefield NHS Foundation Trust
22. Bart's Health NHS Trust & The Heart Hospital
23. Great Ormond Street Hospital NHS Foundation Trust
24. Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust

South West

25. University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust
26. Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust
27. University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust
28. Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust

South East

29. Frimley Health NHS Trust
30. Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust
31. Southampton University Hospitals
32. Brighton & Sussex University Hospitals