

Dear Colleague

NHS England's Innovation and Technology Tariff

On 2nd November 2016, NHS England set out plans to fast-track the introduction of six new types of medical technology products and apps during 2017/18 through the Innovation and Technology Tariff (ITT). The ITT removes the need for multiple local price negotiations and instead guarantees automatic reimbursement.

For five of the above NHS England will centrally pick up the costs, where these have been incurred in line with requirements about use. The sixth innovation is an alternative to existing surgical procedures, and is already funded as part of tariff calculations.

The innovation categories are:

- Guided mediolateral episiotomy to minimise the risk of obstetric anal sphincter injury
- Arterial connecting systems to reduce bacterial contamination and the accidental administration of medication
- Pneumonia prevention systems which are designed to stop ventilator-associated pneumonia
- Web based applications for the self-management of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- Frozen Faecal microbiota transplantation (FMT) for recurrent Clostridium difficile infection rates
- Management of Benign prostatic hyperplasia as a day case (purchased through National Tariff)

In parallel, but separately from the tariff, NHS England is centrally funding the purchase of mobile ECG technology which will be managed through the AHSN network.

We believe these products will offer significant improvements such as reducing outpatients' visits, inpatient length of stay and additional treatments/procedure costs. A number of the innovation types address patient safety and all will improve both outcomes and experience.

The ITT will go live on 1st April 2017 and we are keen to encourage the adoption and spread of these technologies. We now wish to share with you the zero cost; procurement and reimbursement model. To this end we intend to run a number of one hour WebEx Events hosted by Mr Robert Chesters, Innovation and Research Unit, NHS England. Rob will discuss:

- The Programme themes
- The guidance document
- The role of the CSU
- Procurement and Supplier flows

- Reimbursement and reporting flows
- Payment of suppliers
- Q&A

We do hope you can attend one of these sessions as we firmly believe this is an opportunity to understand the uniqueness of this tariff model, which will offer a streamlined route to reimbursement without the need for multiple price negotiations and will cut the difficulties quite often experienced in the uptake and spread of innovation

The WebEx sessions are scheduled for:

Monday 27th March 2017

10:00 -11:00 [join the meeting](#)

12:00-13:00 [join the meeting](#)

14:00-15:00 [join the meeting](#)

16:00-17:00 [join the meeting](#)

Tuesday 28th March 2017

10:00-11:00 [join the meeting](#)

12:00-13:00 [join the meeting](#)

Wednesday 29th March 2017

14:00-15:00 [join the meeting](#)

16:00-17:00 [join the meeting](#)

We look forward to welcoming you to one of the sessions.

Yours sincerely

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The Innovation and Research Unit