

PATELLA RESURFACING – As part of Total KNEE REPLACEMENT

Commissioning Policy Statement

Wiltshire Clinical Commissioning Group has considered the evidence for patella resurfacing as part of total knee replacement (TKR) procedure. Due to the lack of sufficient evidence of clinical benefit to support routine resurfacing of the patella and the lack of evidence of cost-effectiveness at the reconstruction tariff (HR05Z), patella resurfacing as part of TKR is not normally funded.

Exceptional clinical cases can be considered through the Individual Funding Request Process.

Where clinicians proceed with Patellar Resurfacing (HR05Z) without CCG approval, the Provider will be remunerated at the tariff for a Total Knee Replacement (HRG HB21C) providing the patient meets the criteria for the relevant policy (REFERENCE/link) for 'Primary knee joint replacement surgery for patients with osteoarthritis of the knee'.

Reference:	Policy Name	Date of WCAG	Review Date	Version
WCCG-CP037	Patella resurfacing as part of Total knee replacement	20/01/2018	March 2021	1