

Procedures of Limited Clinical Value - Treatment of tendinopathies - Get involved

Instructions

- Write as **clearly** as you can— these forms might be scanned
- Write your answers in the same language as this form

Welcome

Welcome to the survey about the treatment of tendinopathies.

This is considered a procedure of limited clinical value (PLCV).

Procedures of Limited Clinical Value (PLCV) are medical procedures (normally small operations) that the research shows don't consistently make people feel better or make a difference to their lives or wellbeing.

This survey is about you and your thoughts, experiences and feedback.

Please read the supporting information within the project, [click here](#).

If you have any questions, or would like this in a different format, please contact us on gmhscp.engagement@nhs.net.

This survey is anonymous, but if you want to know how we use any information that you give us, [please visit our website](#).

1. Which of the below best describes you?

**Only choose one option.*

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="radio"/> A patient who has had one or more of these procedures. | <input type="radio"/> A patient who is waiting to have one or more of these procedures. |
| <input type="radio"/> A family member, carer or friend of someone who has had or is waiting to have one or more of these procedures. | <input type="radio"/> Staff or professional involved in the delivery or commissioning of one or more of the procedures. |
| <input type="radio"/> I am an interested member of the public. | <input type="radio"/> I want to respond on behalf of an organisation. |
| <input type="radio"/> Other (please tell us more) | |

If 'Other (please tell us more)', please specify

2. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement: **NHS Greater Manchester needs to ensure that only people who meet a strict criteria can access procedures of limited clinical value.** (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- | | |
|--|--------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> Strongly agree | <input type="radio"/> Agree |
| <input type="radio"/> Neither agree nor disagree | <input type="radio"/> Disagree |
| <input type="radio"/> Strongly disagree | |

3. Please tell us why you thought this? (optional)

4. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement: **NHS Greater Manchester should only provide treatment where there is clear evidence which shows good benefits for patients.** (optional)

Benefits might include where there is:

- a reduction in pain or discomfort
- increased movement

**Only choose one option.*

- | | |
|--|--------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> Strongly agree | <input type="radio"/> Agree |
| <input type="radio"/> Neither agree nor disagree | <input type="radio"/> Disagree |
| <input type="radio"/> Strongly disagree | |

5. Please tell us why you thought this? (optional)

6. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements: NHS Greater Manchester should only spend on procedures which represent good value for money. (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- | | |
|--|--------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> Strongly agree | <input type="radio"/> Agree |
| <input type="radio"/> Neither agree nor disagree | <input type="radio"/> Disagree |
| <input type="radio"/> Strongly disagree | |

7. Please tell us why you thought this? (optional)

There are 3 statements in this question, which we're asking you to state how much you either agree or disagree with them.

There is also a follow up question which asks why you chose that option.

Please do not click next until you have answered all the questions.

8. How far do you agree or disagree that the following treatments should not routinely be used for the treatment of tendinopathies? (optional)

We've looked at the medical research to see if three treatments (listed below) are safe and work well for the three conditions. So far, the evidence is mixed, and overall it suggests these treatments don't work.

Because of this, in Greater Manchester, these treatments will normally **not** be offered to patients with Achilles tendinopathy, tennis elbow, or plantar fasciitis.

However, a healthcare professional can ask for an exception by submitting an [Individual Funding Request](#). This is only considered if they can show the patient has a very unusual medical need and would benefit from the treatment.

The request is reviewed by Greater Manchester's Individual Funding Request Panel to decide if the patient truly has an exceptional need, referred to as a "[clinical exception](#)". Please note: it is very rare that a patient will have a true exceptional healthcare need.

Clinical Exception statement:

The patient's health problem is significantly clinically different to the cohort of apparently similar patients, and as a consequence of this, the patient is expected to benefit significantly more than the general cohort.

This question asks you how far you agree or disagree with these three statements.

For each row, mark one circle with a cross to indicate your preference.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Autologous blood, platelet rich plasma injections or extracorporeal shockwave therapy are not routinely commissioned for Achilles tendinopathy.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Autologous blood, platelet rich plasma injections or extracorporeal shockwave therapy are not routinely commissioned for refractory tennis elbow.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Autologous blood, platelet rich plasma injections or extracorporeal shockwave therapy are not routinely commissioned for plantar fasciitis	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

9. Please tell us why you thought this? (optional)

10. Do you think this policy impacts on you or a particular community unfairly? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

11. If yes, please tell us why? (optional)

12. Is there anything else you would like to share with us? (optional)

About you

We now have a few questions about you.

Its important to us that we collect this data to make sure we have representation from across our diverse communities.

However you can skip any questions that you do not want to answer or feel you cannot answer.

Please answer as many of the questions below as you are willing to. Please scroll down the page to answer all the questions.

13. What area of Greater Manchester do you live or work in? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Bolton | <input type="radio"/> Bury |
| <input type="radio"/> Manchester | <input type="radio"/> Oldham |
| <input type="radio"/> Rochdale | <input type="radio"/> Salford |
| <input type="radio"/> Stockport | <input type="radio"/> Tameside |
| <input type="radio"/> Trafford | <input type="radio"/> Wigan |
| <input type="radio"/> I work across Greater Manchester | <input type="radio"/> I do not live or work in Greater Manchester |

14. How old are you? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> 17 or under | <input type="radio"/> 18-25 years |
| <input type="radio"/> 26-35 years | <input type="radio"/> 36-45 years |
| <input type="radio"/> 46-55 years | <input type="radio"/> 56-65 years |
| <input type="radio"/> 66-75 years | <input type="radio"/> 76 or over |
| <input type="radio"/> Prefer not to say | |

15. Do you consider yourself to have a disability? (optional)

Disability includes any long term illness or condition that limits your ability to live your everyday life.

**Only choose one option.*

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

16. If yes, can you please tell us what disability you have? (optional)

17. What is your ethnicity? (optional)

Please describe your ethnicity or ethnic background however best fits you.

18. What is your faith? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- | | |
|---|--------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> Atheist / None | <input type="radio"/> Buddhist |
| <input type="radio"/> Christian | <input type="radio"/> Hindu |
| <input type="radio"/> Jewish | <input type="radio"/> Sikh |
| <input type="radio"/> Prefer not to say | <input type="radio"/> Other |

If 'Other', please specify

19. How do you identify your gender? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- | | |
|---|----------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> Female | <input type="radio"/> Male |
| <input type="radio"/> Intersex | <input type="radio"/> Non-binary |
| <input type="radio"/> Prefer not to say | <input type="radio"/> Other |

If 'Other', please specify

20. Is your current gender identify the same as the gender you were described at birth? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

21. What is your sexual orientation? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- Heterosexual / Straight
- Bisexual
- Other
- Homosexual / Gay / Lesbian
- Prefer not to say

If 'Other', please specify

22. What is your relationship status? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- Co-habiting
- Single
- Prefer not to say
- Married / Civil Partnership
- Widow
- Other

If 'Other', please specify

23. Are you a Carer? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

24. What is your employment status? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- A student
- Employed / Self-employed
- Unemployed
- Other
- Apprenticeship scheme or training
- Retired
- Prefer not to say

If 'Other', please specify

25. Are you currently or have you served in any of the UK armed Forces? (optional)

**Only choose one option.*

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

Thank you. Please push the submit button at the bottom of the page to register your response.

You're almost done, you just need to press the submit button at the bottom of the page to register your comments.

Before you go, we want to thank you for taking part.

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