

BOB ICB and Frimley ICB Priorities Committee Clinical Commissioning Policy Statement

Policy Number/ Name	BOBFPC77 The Diagnosis and treatment of Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) in Children, Adolescents and Adults
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Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) is an umbrella term which encompasses a range of neurodevelopmental impairments, which can result in cognitive, physical and behavioural difficulties for individuals.

There are locally commissioned services within Mental Health, Learning Disability and Neurology which are able to identify and treat the difficulties associated with FASD. Due to this, national specialist assessment and treatment programmes solely for the diagnosis and treatment of FASD in children, adolescents and adults are **not normally funded**.

NOTES:

- Potentially exceptional circumstances may be considered by a patient's ICB where there is evidence of significant health status impairment (e.g. inability to perform activities of daily living) and there is evidence that the intervention sought would improve the individual's health status.
- This policy was developed and recommended by Thames Valley Priorities Committee which was the predecessor of Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire, and Berkshire West ICB and Frimley ICB Priorities Committee.
- This policy will be reviewed in the light of new evidence or new national guidance, e.g., from NICE.
- BOBFPC clinical policies can be viewed at [Clinical Commissioning Policy Statements & IFRs | BOB ICB](#)

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