

Excluded: Procedure not routinely funded

Thames Valley Priorities Committee Commissioning Policy Statement

Policy No. TVPC 62

Functional Electrical Stimulation (FES) for Upper and Lower Limb Dysfunction of Central Neurological Origin

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Thames Valley Priorities Committee has considered the evidence for the use of Functional Electrical Stimulation (FES) in upper and lower limb dysfunction of central neurological origin (CNO).

There is limited evidence of clinical and cost-effectiveness to support the use of FES for upper limb dysfunction including shoulder subluxation, motor function and pain. There is limited evidence of clinical and cost effectiveness to support the use of FES for lower limb dysfunction including foot drop, therefore this procedure is **not normally funded**.

NOTES:

- Potentially exceptional circumstances may be considered by a patient's CCG 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 will be reviewed in the light of new evidence or new national guidance, e.g., from NICE.
- Thames Valley clinical policies can be viewed at <http://www.fundingrequests.ccsu.nhs.uk/>