

Pathway:	Functional Electrical Stimulator
Referral Criteria/Commissioning position:	
<p><i>In accordance with NICE IPG278, Implantable devices are not routinely commissioned; Requests for funding are required prior to referral to the Individual Funding Request Panel (IFR) on the grounds of clinical exceptionality;</i></p> <p>Investigations prior to referral</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
Information to include in referral letter:	
<p><i>The GP referral letter should contain:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Description of symptoms, duration and grounds of clinical exceptionality • Details of treatments and measures tried including outcomes • Drug history (prescribed and non-prescribed) • Relevant past medical/surgical history • Current regular medication • BMI • Smoking status • Alcohol consumption 	
References & Additional information:	
<p>References: NICE IPG278 - Functional electrical stimulation for drop foot of central neurological origin</p> <p>Patient Information Leaflets: IPG278 Functional electrical stimulation for drop foot of central neurological origin – public information, please click here</p>	
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