

## Members of the Vascular Society of Great Britain and Ireland

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Dear Member,

### CQUIN to support PAD-QIF Targets

I am delighted to report that NHSE & I have published their 2022-2023 CQUIN Scheme today and particularly that the “**Achievement of revascularisation standards for lower limb Ischaemia**” has been included.

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/nhs-standard-contract/cquin/2022-23-cquin/>

This is fantastic news for our patients and the CQUIN will undoubtedly drive the early treatment chronic limb threatening ischaemia (CLTI) and lead to a reduction major limb amputation rates. Furthermore, payments should incentivise providers to support surgical and radiological data entry into the National Vascular Registry (NVR).

Whilst the CQUIN targets will only apply to patients in England, I hope that by raising the profile of CLTI that the devolved nations and Ireland will use Peripheral Arterial Disease Quality Improvement Framework (PAD-QIF) and also prioritise this patient group.

[https://www.vascularsociety.org.uk/\\_userfiles/pages/files/Document%20Library/PAD%20QIF%20Mach%202019%20v2.pdf](https://www.vascularsociety.org.uk/_userfiles/pages/files/Document%20Library/PAD%20QIF%20Mach%202019%20v2.pdf)

I am very grateful to the members of the Audit and QI Committee of the Vascular Society, the NVR team and the Clinical Reference Group (CRG) who have worked closely together on the CQUIN application since 2020. The adoption of the Specialised Services (PSS) Scheme will help raise the profile of peripheral arterial disease and in turn better outcomes for our patients.

Best wishes



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