

# MOP UP – APPLIANCE SPECIAL

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## Great News!

**Jackie Morgan, our Appliance Assistant is still here and has now integrated within the Meds op team. Jackie is here to provide support and advice around appliance queries and can be contacted via the ICB Prescribing inbox – [bswicb.prescribing@nhs.net](mailto:bswicb.prescribing@nhs.net)**

Examples of the kind of queries that Jackie can help with include (but are not limited to):

- Advice on alternative products to issue if regular product is out of stock.
- Help on directing queries to the right places....ie. Stoma Teams, ISC queries, Urology departments
- Clarification on the correct products to be issued, quantities and frequency of issuing.
- How to find the item on SystemOne.
- Formulary queries.
- Any other weird and wonderful questions that may arise that are not obvious.

## Be Part of a Network of Champions!

We are also looking for you to nominate an 'Appliance Champion', someone who can liaise with Jackie and be kept up to date with news and information relating to appliances.

The Champion can be anyone, either admin or prescription clerk within your practice. Please send your nominees to the BSWprescribing inbox where she can pick up all your messages.

**Network** – Once the network of colleagues has been established, we are planning to:

- provide training on appliance issuing/prescribing.
- Provide support with troubleshooting.
- provide a regular newsletter with helpful hints and tips and updates.

## BSW Continence & Urology Product Formulary

Bladder & Bowel specialists from each of our locations have been working together with the ICB Medicines Optimisation Team to create the very first BSW-wide Continence and Urology Product Formulary for primary and community care.

The formulary can be viewed on our website [here](#). We have also produced a poster with a QR code link to the formulary, which can be seen on page 3. Please print the poster and display in your staff room to share the news! Printable version shared in the email.

## Updated BSW Stoma Accessory Formulary

Jackie has been working hard alongside our locality Stoma Teams and our formulary colleagues, to update the Stoma Accessories Formulary.

You can view this on our website [here](#).

Did you know – as stoma bags are so individual to each user, we do not have a formulary for them as we would need to list almost the entire Drug Tariff!

## What Counts as an 'Appliance'?

Appliances covers quite a broad-spectrum of goods. Here are some common examples, but there are many more:

- Catheters
- Catheter sundries
  - bags
  - gels
  - fixation devices
  - valves
  - sheaths
- Bowel products:
  - stoma bags
  - stoma equipment
  - trans anal irrigation (TAI)
- Wound care:
  - Dressings
  - Barrier creams

## BSW Wound Care Management Group

Tissue Viability Nurse (TVN) Leads from across BSW are working together to begin to merge the legacy locality wound care formularies into one BSW-wide formulary.

GP's and Nursing Homes in Wiltshire have recently been set up with access to Formeo to enable them to order in their own dressing supplies. This has been supported with training from the Medicines Optimisation Team and Formeo. If you have not already signed up to this and your practice/home is located in Wiltshire or BaNES and you wish to sign up, please contact Maria via the prescribing inbox. Swindon practices will continue to use ONPOS.

You can view our wound care formularies and other related guidance [here](#).

## Appliance Newsletter Name?

We would like to give our quarterly appliance newsletter a nifty name, but we are struggling for ideas. For a bit of light hearted relief, if you have a suggestion, please drop us a line with your suggestion, by email.



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Swindon and Wiltshire**  
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## **New BSW Contenance & Urology Formulary for Primary and Community Care**

Specialist continence nurses from BaNES, Swindon and Wiltshire have worked together to produce our first BSW-wide continence formulary.

The formulary is for use in primary and community care. Download it today by scanning the QR code below

