



Transvaginal Mesh Removal (Cost Reimbursement) (Scotland) Act 2022

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The Bill for this Act of the Scottish Parliament was passed by the Parliament on 25th January 2022 and received Royal Assent on 3rd March 2022

An Act of the Scottish Parliament to enable the Scottish Ministers to reimburse costs relating to the removal of transvaginal mesh.

Power to reimburse costs

1 Power for Scottish Ministers to reimburse costs relating to the removal of transvaginal mesh

- (1) The Scottish Ministers may make a scheme for the making of payments by them reimbursing costs incurred in connection with qualifying mesh removal surgery.
- (2) “Mesh removal surgery” is surgery a principal purpose of which is to wholly or partially remove from a person’s body synthetic mesh which was originally implanted transvaginally (that is, by means of insertion through the person’s vaginal wall) for the purpose of treating stress urinary incontinence or pelvic organ prolapse.
- (3) Mesh removal surgery is “qualifying” mesh removal surgery if it was arranged—
 - (a) other than by a health board,
 - (b) in relation to a person who was ordinarily resident in Scotland at (either or both)—
 - (i) the time the mesh removal surgery was arranged,
 - (ii) the time of implantation of any of the mesh which it is the purpose of the mesh removal surgery to wholly or partially remove, and
 - (c) before a date specified in the scheme, which can be no earlier than the day of Royal Assent.
- (4) The following are costs incurred in connection with qualifying mesh removal surgery—
 - (a) the cost of the qualifying mesh removal surgery, as charged to or in respect of the person who underwent the surgery,
 - (b) reasonable costs incurred by—