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| Intervention | **100. Cosmetic/Plastic Surgery** |
| For the treatment of | Trauma, Cancer, Burns |
| Commissioning Position | Surgery (including acute repair and reconstruction) is routinely commissioned and does not require prior approval for patients as part of treatment for:   * Trauma or * Cancer or * Burns   Cosmetic surgical procedures for the correction of changes associated with age, pregnancy, weight or because of unhappiness with body image are not commissioned. |
| Summary of Rationale | Cosmetic surgery is not routinely provided on the NHS. Exceptions are when:   * there is a significant likelihood that the individual will gain much higher-than-average benefit from the treatment * there would be additional benefit through the avoidance of social care * there is a high likelihood that severe psychosocial dysfunction may be alleviated |
| References | [Information for commissioners of plastic surgery services (BAPRAS)](https://bapras.org.uk/docs/default-source/commissioning-and-policy/information-for-commissioners-of-plastic-surgery-services.pdf?sfvrsn=ba572cc3_2)  [Is cosmetic surgery available on the NHS? (www.nhs.uk)](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/cosmetic-procedures/advice/cosmetic-procedures-on-the-nhs/) |
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