

Chalazia

Policy

Surgical excision of chalazia will only be funded where the following criteria have been met:

1. Conservative treatment has been tried for at least six months

AND

- 2a. Interferes with vision

OR

- 2b. Is causing persistent inflammation and pain

These policies have been approved by the eight Clinical Commissioning Groups in North West London (NHS Brent CCG, NHS Central London CCG, NHS Ealing CCG, NHS Hammersmith and Fulham CCG, NHS Harrow CCG, NHS Hillingdon CCG, NHS Hounslow CCG and NHS West London CCG).

Background

Chalazia (meibomian cysts) are benign lesions of the eye lid that will normally resolve within 6 months. Mainstay of treatment is regular application of heat compressions. Surgical treatment is not always required