

## Freedom of Information Request

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### Information Requested:

Which kind of patients are going to be receiving Esketamine and VNS treatment private only or private and Essex NHS?

[The treatments can be provided to both NHS and private patients](#)

If Essex NHS patients are going to receive Esketamine and VNS how is it going to be funded by the CCGs on the NHS as a routine treatment or via IFR?

[The treatments are available for patients within mid and south Essex, who won't need an individual request for funding. For all other areas an individual request for funding would be required.](#)

Is the surgery to fit the VNS stimulator being carried out by EPUT or is EPUT referring patients on to example a clinical trial?

[Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust has commissioned a Service Level Agreement with Barts, London, neurosurgery department for implant procedure. The NICE recommended audit guidelines would be followed and patients offered opportunity to be part of Restore life clinical trial.](#)

Will Ketamine infusion treatment be offered by the Essex Neuromodulation Clinic?

[At present we do not have plans to offer IV ketamine infusion.](#)

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