

## ICB Primary Care Commissioning Committee – Medical Services Sub Group

<b>Date of meeting</b>	20 July 2023
<b>Title of paper</b>	Vasectomy Services Review
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<b>Agenda item</b>	
<b>Confidential</b>	Yes

### Purpose of the paper

The purpose of the paper is to provide the Group with the relevant information to agree on an appropriate rate of recompense for vasectomy services provided in General Practice.

### Executive summary

[Redacted content]

### Recommendations

The Group is asked to agree to:

1. A proposed approach to the funding for practices across L&SC who currently deliver vasectomy services in primary care.
2. A clinical review of the vasectomy specification

### Governance and reporting (list other forums that have discussed this paper)

Meeting	Date	Outcomes

### Conflicts of interest identified

N/A

### Implications

<i>If yes, please provide a brief risk description and reference number</i>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Quality impact assessment completed			X	
Equality impact assessment completed			X	
Privacy impact assessment completed			X	
Financial impact assessment completed			X	
Associated risks			X	
Are associated risks detailed on the ICS (Integrated Care System) Risk Register?			X	

<b>Report authorised by:</b>	
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## Review of Vasectomy Services

### 1. Introduction

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- 1.2 The practice is keen to train another clinician to provide the service as they have a waiting list of patients waiting for the procedure.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

### 2. Current situation

2.1 [REDACTED]

- 2.2 All Clinical Commissioning Groups prior to the formation of the LSC ICB had a Local Enhanced Service for the delivery of vasectomy services in General Practice.

- 2.3 Each legacy LES had its own service specification and pricing structure.

- 2.4 Following discussion at the PINC Senior Leadership Team meeting it was agreed that a review of all vasectomy local enhanced services across the LSC ICB should be conducted, with a view to standardising the specifications and payments.

### 3. Enhanced service specifications across the LSC ICB

- 3.1 Enhanced service contracts are signed annually by practices prior to commencement of the new contractual year. Payment rates are stated within the contracts.

3.2 Upon reviewing the specification for Chorley and South Ribble and Greater Preston CCGs, the earliest version of the vasectomy service specification was dated 2011.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

3.5 It should be noted that the level of detail in the specifications is varied, and a further clinical review will be required to standardise the requirements.

3.6 However, there are common requirements in each specification [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] The common themes are pre-operation counselling, procedure and follow up.

3.7 Two of the specifications state that the procedure is 'no scalpel' and this will require further clinical review.

3.8 Additionally, there are variances in audit requirements and reporting. Again, these will need to be reviewed and standardised appropriately.

[REDACTED]

3.10 [REDACTED]

3.11 [REDACTED]

#### 4. Finance

4.1

[REDACTED]

4.2 A payment comparison table can be found at [REDACTED] outlining the financial impact of moving to a standardised payment across Lancashire and South Cumbria of:

- The highest current payment
- An average of all the current payments
- The lowest current payment

4.3 The payment structure in each specification is split to provide a fee for patient counselling and a further fee when the procedure is performed. [REDACTED]

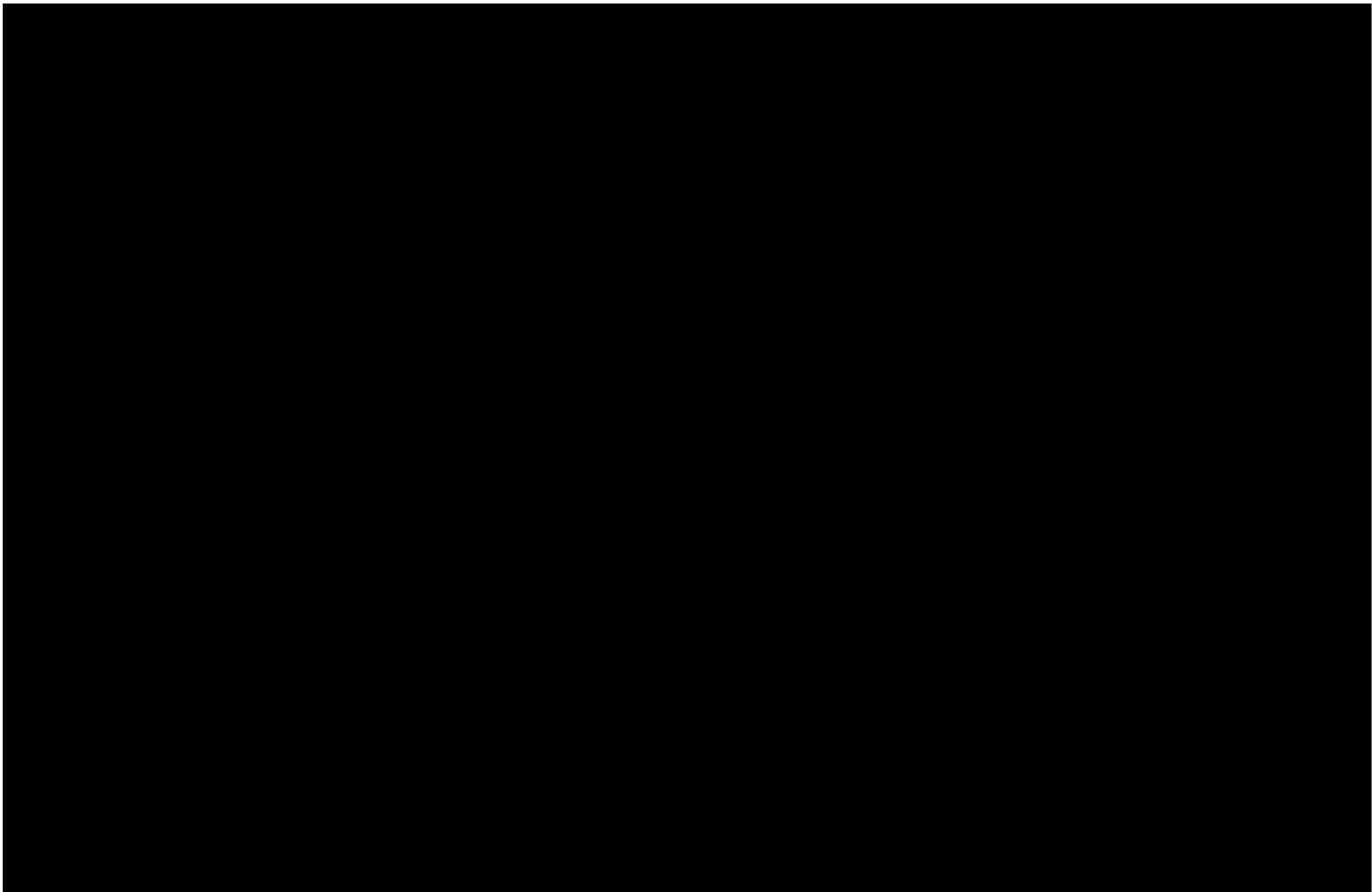
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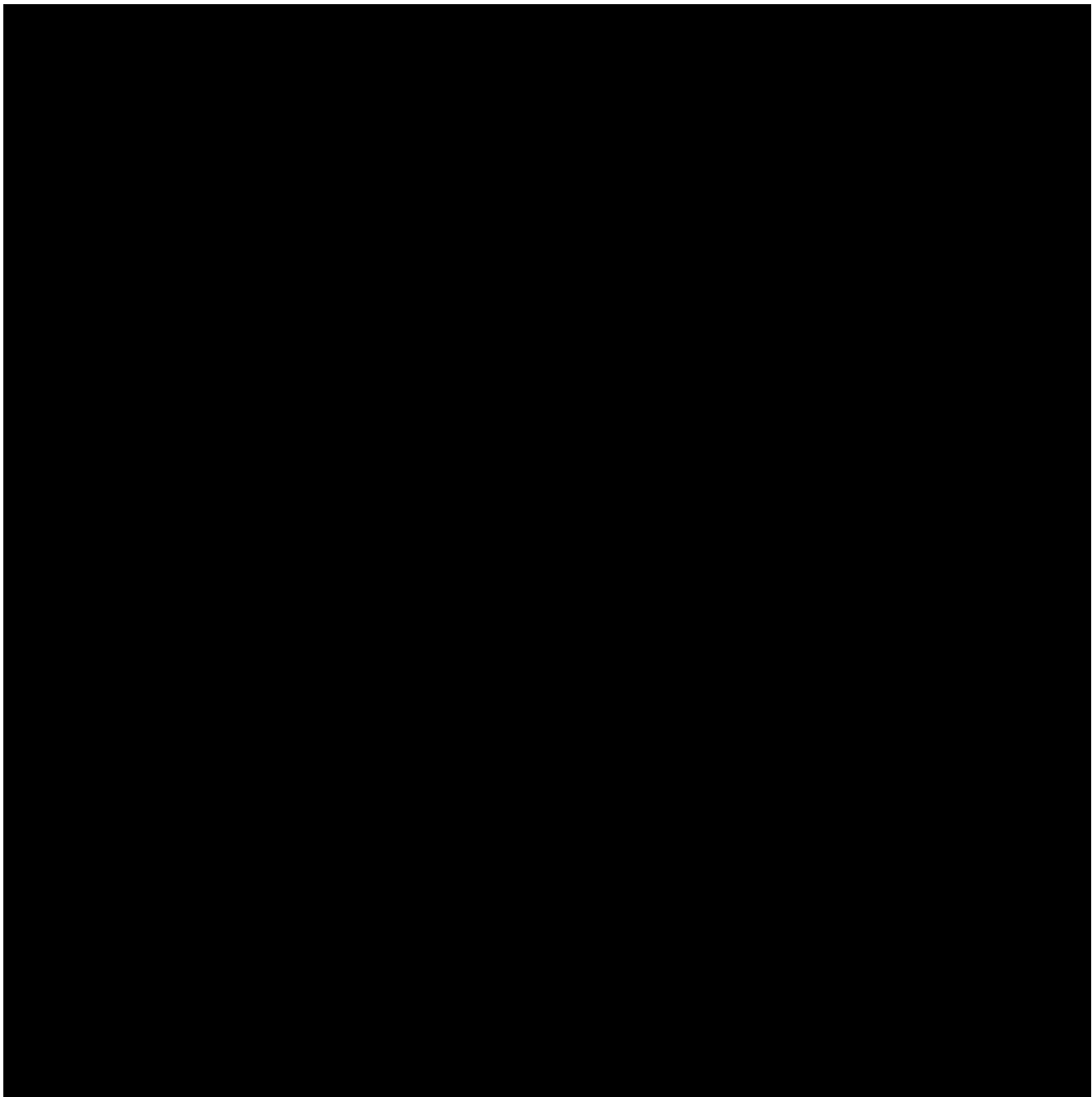
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## 5 Options appraisal





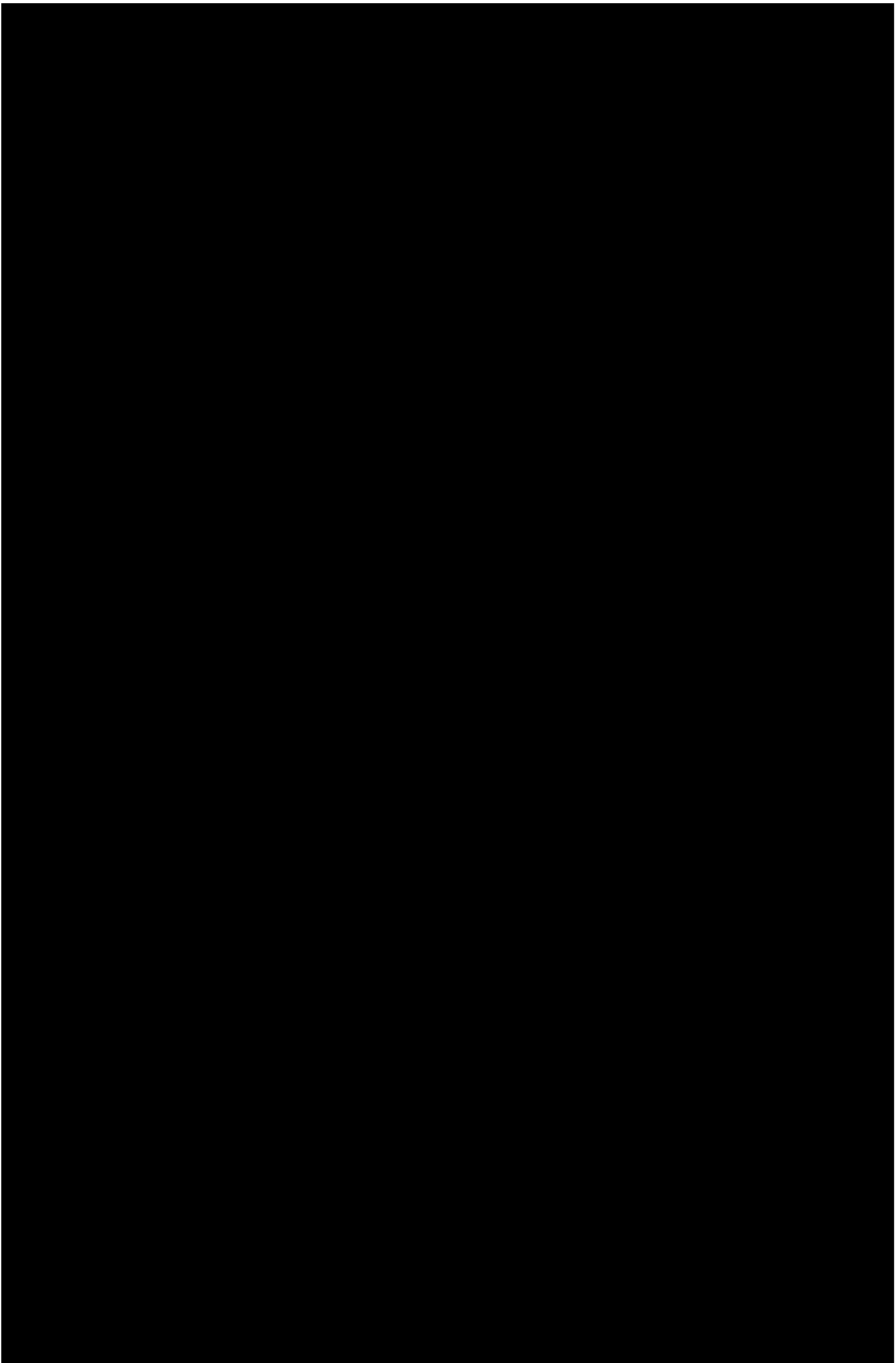
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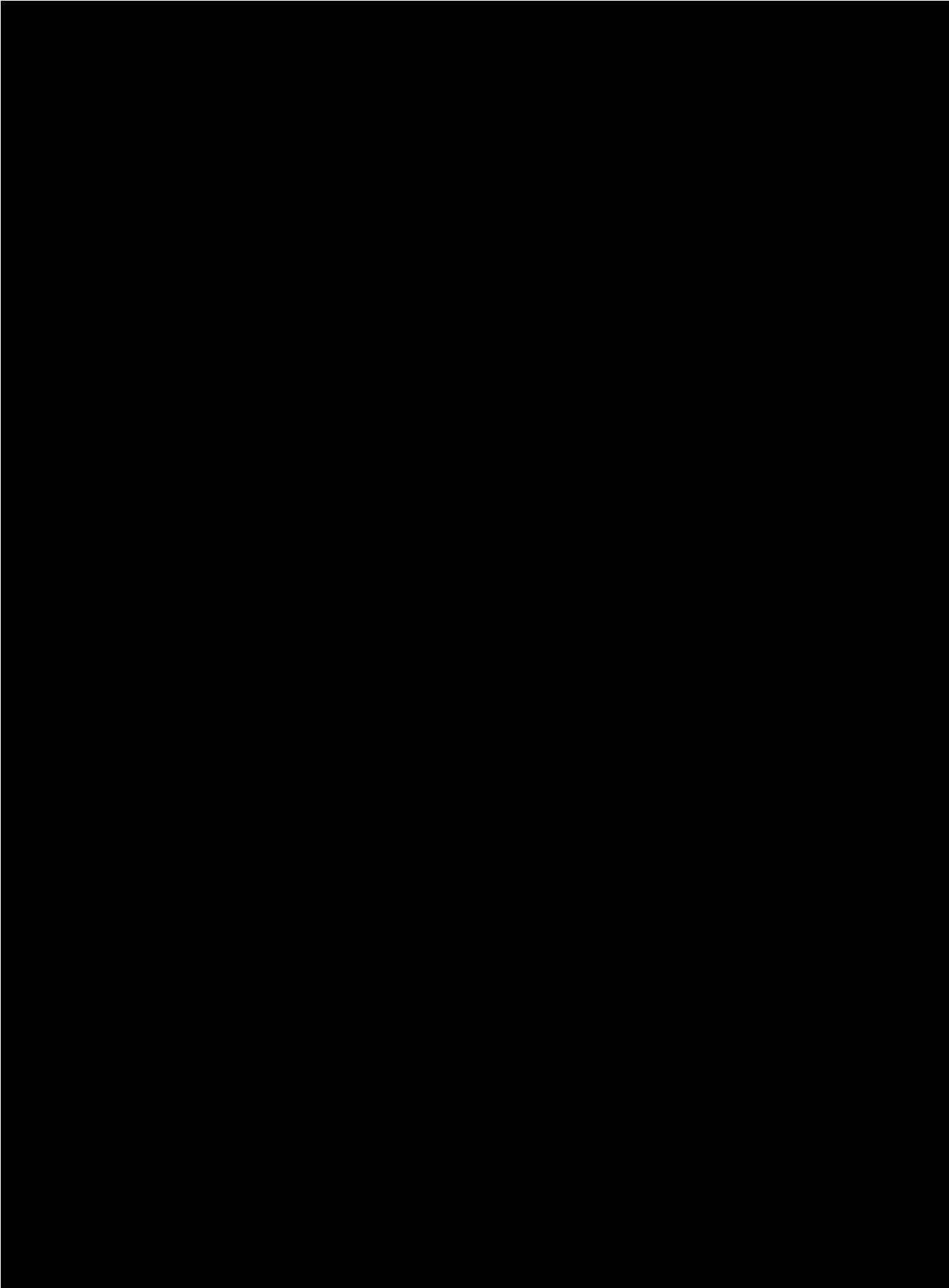
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**Review of Vasectomy Service Specifications**



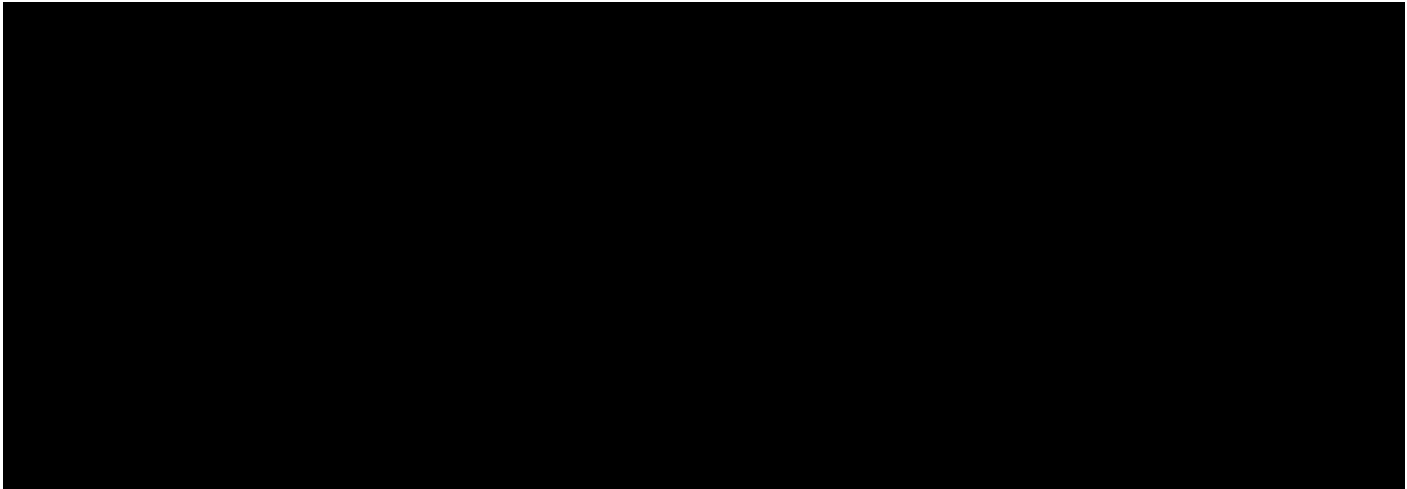
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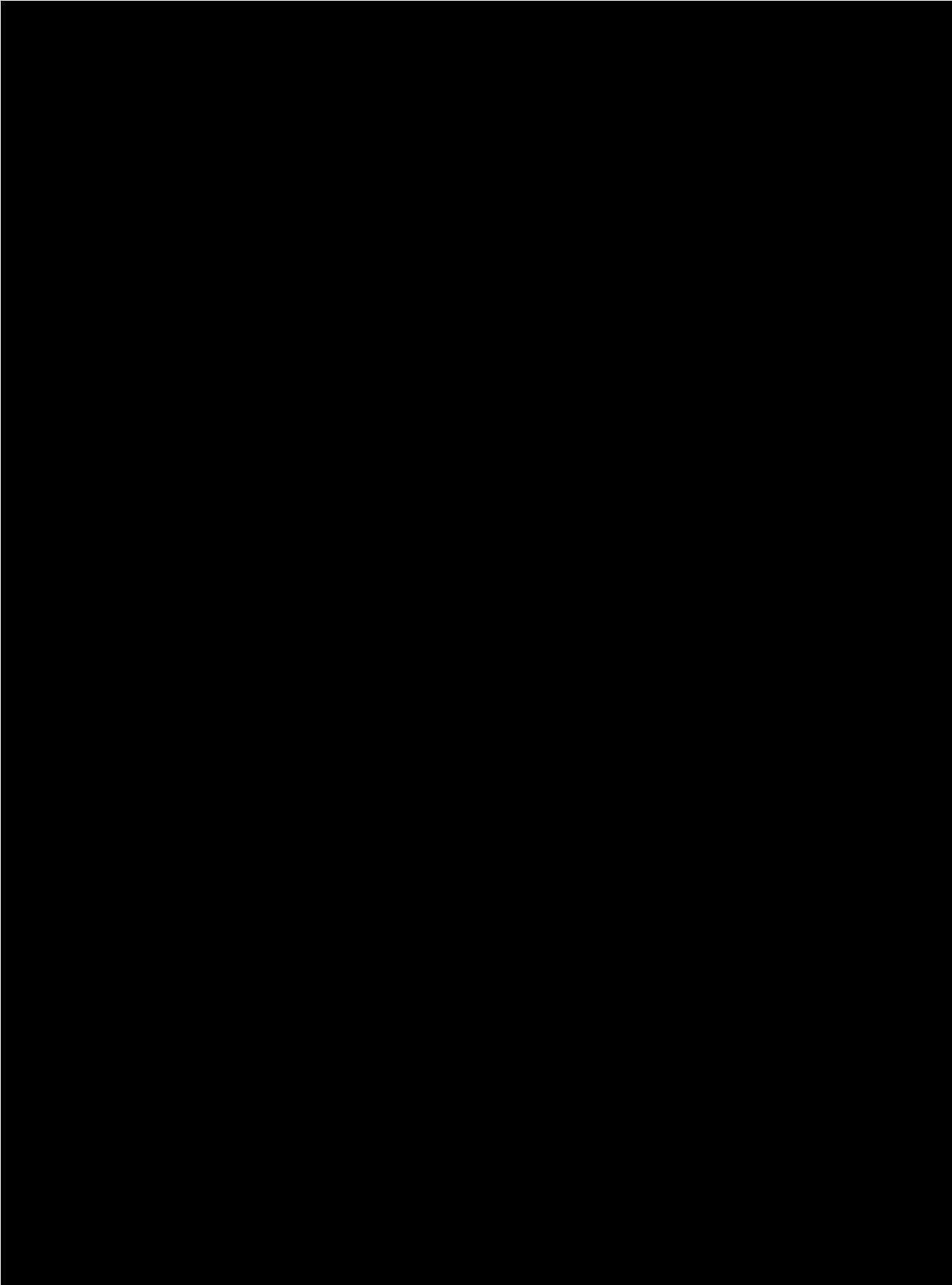
## Appendix C



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Vasectomy Service A

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## Appendix E



Vasectomy scoping  
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