LARC Frequently Asked Questions (November 2026)

From 1 October 2026, various changes to the public health long-acting reversible contraception (LARC) service took effect. These changes comprised:

a) An increase in payments for coil fittings and coil removals
b) The introduction of a payment for failed coil fittings
c) Expansion of the service to include coil fittings for non-contraceptive reasons

Commissioned provides were notified of these changes via email on 26th September and a Lunch and Learn was held on 12th October. The recording and slides from which are being shared with providers.

Various provider questions raised directly to public health or during the Lunch and Learn have been answered and consolidated below.

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1) What is the payment for failed coil fittings?

These are paid at the same rate as a successful coil fitting (£101).

Providers may also claim for the device(s) used during the failed fitting and subsequent successful fitting.

Please ensure the template is fitted once to capture the failed fit and a second time to capture the subsequent successful fit.

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2) Is there a payment for failed implant fittings?

No, public health only pays for failed coil fitting procedures and associated device costs.

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3) Is there a payment for coil replacements?

No, these are paid as a coil removal (£36.61) + coil insertion (£101) at a total rate of £137.61.

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4) Why is Sexual Health Dorset (provided by Dorset HealthCare) not commissioned to provide coils for non-contraception?

Dorset HealthCare could register through the same route as other community providers via the Community Health Improvement Service (CHIS).

However, any alternative routes would need to be considered by the ICB, together with any associated funding implications, as responsibility for commissioning Non-Contraceptive Coils sits with them.

Both Public Health and the ICB are aligned in the view that it would be beneficial to review how the recent changes for community providers are received and implemented in practice. This will provide valuable evidence to help understand the level of demand and inform any future discussions or commissioning considerations.

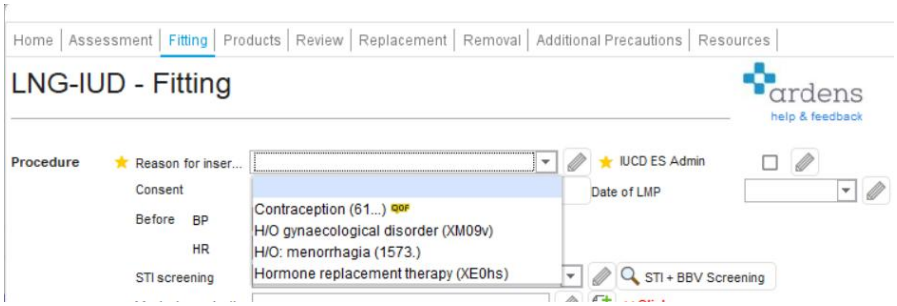
In summary, any queries relating to the wider commissioning of Non-Contraceptive Coils should be directed to the ICB. As you will appreciate, Public Health is keen to avoid providing assurances or commitments in relation to services that are outside our commissioning remit.

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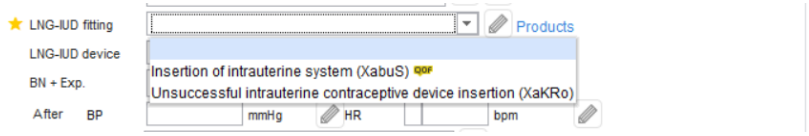
5) Does the Ardens template enable reporting of failed coil fits or coil fittings for non-contraception?

Yes, both can be captured in the “Fitting” tab.

To enter the reason for fitting please select the first drop down as shown below:



To enter a failed coil fitting please use the “LNG-IUD fitting” drop down below and select “Unsuccessful intrauterine contraceptive device insertion” option as shown below:



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6) Is the SystmOne search output capturing failed coil fittings?

Yes, this has been checked, and this data will be included in the searches.

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7) Is there a way for SystmOne searches to include patients who are no longer registered at the practice (e.g. deducted or deceased)?

Yes, the searches have been updated to reflect the deceased and deduction inclusion.