

PE1682/G

Scottish Government submission of 31 July 2019

Thank you for your email of 11 July 2019, regarding the above petition, which enquires whether the Scottish Government could include information on hidradenitis suppurativa (HS) on the Dermatology Patient Pathways website and mobile app.

The NHS Scotland Dermatology Patient Pathways were developed in partnership with a wide range of both primary and secondary-care clinicians from across Scotland. The pathways are currently maintained by the Scottish Government's Modern Outpatient Programme.

There are currently a number of conditions the Modern Outpatient Programme intends to develop new pathways for, as part of the Dermatology website and app, and I can confirm it has added HS to this list.

The Modern Outpatient Programme will shortly be forming a short-life clinical working group to develop and agree these new pathways. It is anticipated this work will commence in October 2019, and is likely to take approximately 6 months.

I hope the Public Petitions Committee will find this information helpful.