

**Prescribing Policy for Supply of AquaGuard® PICC or Dialysis Line Protectors**

North East Essex CCG does not support the prescribing of AquaGuard® / CATH DRY® or similar appliances on FP10

AquaGuard® / CATH DRY® OR similar appliances are designed to protect PICC lines, peripheral IV sites, hickman catheters, stomas, dialysis lines /ports and IJ catheters from getting wet during bathing; they may also be used for swimming and hydrotherapy.

AquaGuard® / CATH DRY® or similar appliances should be supplied by the clinic or healthcare professional treating the patient.

Recommendations:

- Patients requesting these products should be referred for self-purchase.

Do not prescribe:

- AquaGuard® products
- CATH DRY® products
- LiquaShield® products
- Waterproof Bandages For Dialysis Catheter For Swimming
- Shower Shield Catheter Shower Cover

This list is not conclusive and similar products must not be prescribed.