



## FreeStyle Libre 2 Sensors Discontinuation

FreeStyle Libre 2 (FSL2) sensors will be discontinued in August 2025 with stocks predicted to be running low by June 2025. Patients using these sensors will need to be switched to the FreeStyle Libre 2 Plus (FSL2+). In order to support a smooth transition to FSL2+ a Scriptswitch rule been enabled to prompt clinicians at the point of prescribing. Furthermore, from April 2025, where capacity allows, the SY ICB Medicines Optimisation Team (MOT) will support practices to switch any remaining patients on FSL2 to FSL2+ to ensure that no patients remain on FSL2 beyond August 2025.

FSL2+ sensors work with the existing FreeStyle LibreLink app and the FSL2 reader but have the following additional/improved features:

- **Extended sensor wear:** Easy to use and comfortable to wear for up to 15 days versus 14 days for FSL2.
- **Better performance:** Outstanding 15-day accuracy in the low end, where it matters most.
- **Partnerships with insulin pumps:** Designed to work the Omnipod® 5 Automated Insulin Delivery System, offering personalised automated insulin delivery and care for people living with type 1 diabetes, based on their glucose sensor readings.

Please refer to the [Abbott website](#) for more information and references.

There is no additional cost associated with the switch to FSL2+ but only if patients adhere to the 15-day wear period, rather than 14-days with FSL2. It is therefore important to emphasise this duration to patients to avoid unnecessary costs.

When prescribing FSL2+, ensure the directions clearly state that the sensor must be replaced every 15 days, and set the prescription duration accordingly. For example, two sensors will last 30 days. To support this, the Barnlsey SystmOne MOT formulary has been configured with a quantity of 2 sensors, along with the appropriate directions and issue duration.

Patients who experience issues with their sensor being faulty or falling off before the 15-day period ends, should be directed to [Abbott's online UK Sensor Support Form](#) where this can be reported and a replacement requested. Alternatively, for patients who would rather speak with a representative, they can contact Abbott general enquiries on 0800 170 1177 (Monday to Friday 8am – 8pm and Saturday 9am – 5pm (excluding bank holidays)). Please note that Abbott will request the sensor serial number on the packaging, so please advise patients to not dispose of this until the 15-day wear period of the sensor has expired.

If the patient does not have a spare sensor, an early prescription can be provided to account for the delay in receiving a replacement from Abbott. Please note that the patient's next repeat prescription may not be due for at least another six weeks.

For patients using electronic repeat dispensing (eRD), ensure that pharmacies follow a similar procedure if they issue the next prescription early.