



Dear Patient

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RE: HALO – Haemorrhoid Artery Ligation Operation

Thank you for your recent enquiry regarding the HALO treatment for Haemorrhoids. Due to recent media exposure in the Daily Mail and on ITV's This Morning we are experiencing unprecedented levels of calls and emails and this letter is provided to you as supporting information based upon the frequently asked questions as follows:-

1. Can I have the HALO on the NHS?
2. Can I have the HALO with my private insurance?
3. Can I self pay to have the HALO
4. What if my Surgeon does not offer the HALO to me?
5. Can I travel to see a Surgeon that performs the HALO?

National Health Service

The HALO treatment is available on the NHS. Not all hospitals offer the HALO. The NHS Hospitals that offer the HALO are listed on www.halocentre.com. It will be necessary for you to make an appointment with your GP and ask to be referred to a Surgeon in an NHS Hospital that is performing the HALO near you for an initial consultation.

Private Insurance

The HALO is available for patients with private insurance and can be performed by Surgeons at private hospitals around the UK. A list of hospitals and Surgeons performing the HALO are listed on www.halocentre.com. It will be necessary for you to make an appointment with your GP and asked to be referred privately to a Surgeon in a location near to you for a consultation

Self Pay

The HALO is available as a self pay procedure for the patients that do not have private insurance and do not want to join the NHS waiting list. If you would like to have more information regarding The British Haemorrhoid Centre's **special offer** then please make contact by telephone on 01844 299 016 or email info@halocentre.com requesting to talk to our practice manager

Yours Faithfully

The British Haemorrhoid centre