

Medical Genetics Clinical Privileges

Name: _____

Effective from ____/____/____ to ____/____/____

- Initial privileges (initial appointment) Renewal of privileges (reappointment)

All new applicants should meet the following requirements as approved by the governing body, effective: December 11, 2014.

Applicant: Check the “Requested” box for each privilege requested. Applicants are responsible for producing required documentation for a proper evaluation of current skill, current clinical activity, and other qualifications and for resolving any doubts related to qualifications for requested privileges. Please provide this supporting information separately..

[Department/Program Head or Leaders/ Chief]: Check the appropriate box for recommendation on the last page of this form and include your recommendation for any required evaluation. If recommended with conditions or not recommended, provide the condition or explanation on the last page of this form.

Current experience is an estimate of the level of activity below which a collegial discussion about support should be triggered. It is not a disqualifier. This discussion should be guided not only by the expectations and standards outlined in the dictionary but also by the risks inherent in the privilege being discussed and by similar activities that contribute to the skill under consideration. This is an opportunity to reflect with a respected colleague on one’s professional practice and to deliberately plan an approach to skills maintenance.

Other requirements

- Note that privileges granted may only be exercised at the site(s) and/or setting(s) that have sufficient space, equipment, staffing, and other resources required to support the privilege.
- This document is focused on defining qualifications related to competency to exercise clinical privileges. The applicant must also adhere to any additional organizational, regulatory, or accreditation requirements that the organization is obligated to meet.

Note: The dictionary will be reviewed over time to ensure it is reflective of current practices, procedures and technologies.



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Grandparenting: Practitioners holding privileges prior to implementation of the dictionary will continue to hold those privileges as long as they meet current experience and quality requirements.

Definition

Medical Genetics is that branch of medicine concerned with genetic variation and congenital anomalies and their effects on human development, health and response to treatments; and also with the study, diagnosis, management, and prevention of genetic, familial, and related disorders in individuals, families and communities.

Qualifications for Medical Genetics

Initial privileges: To be eligible to apply for privileges in genetics, the applicant should meet the following criteria:

Current certification in Medical Genetics by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or the Canadian College of Medical Geneticists

AND/OR

Recognition of certification as a Medical Geneticist by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia by virtue of credentials earned in another jurisdiction that are acceptable to both the College and the governing body of the Health Authority and its Affiliate(s).

AND

Recommended current experience: Inpatient or consultative services, reflective of the scope of privileges requested for at least 40 patients during the past 24 months, or successful completion of a Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or Canadian College of Medical Geneticists accredited residency or clinical fellowship within the past 18 months.

Renewal of privileges: To be eligible to renew privileges in genetics, the applicant should normally meet the following criteria:

Current demonstrated skill and an adequate volume of experience of 60 consultative services with acceptable results, reflective of the scope of privileges requested, for the past 36 months based on results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes.



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Return to practice: Individualized evaluation at a mutually agreed upon academic training center within Canada that regularly trains Medical Genetics residents, with supervision of core practice relevant to their intended scope of practice.

Core privileges: Genetics

Core privileges are offered to ALL members in the discipline as long as the facility can support those activities.

❑ Requested

Provide consultation and in some cases on-going care to patients of all ages who are at an increased risk for diseases or conditions that are genetic, familial and/or congenital. This may include delegation and oversight of related functions to other professionals such as genetic counsellors. The geneticist will do the following as applicable:

- Elicit and interpret patient and family medical histories.
- Interpret relevant aspects of medical records of patients and family members.
- Perform developmental assessment and physical exam.
- Access information from the literature, databases and the genetics community.
- Apply knowledge of heterogeneity, variability, and natural history of genetic disorders in patient-care decision-making.
- Diagnose and collaborate in the management of (potential) genetic or familial conditions, and congenital anomalies.
- Explain the causes and natural history of genetic conditions and congenital anomalies.
- Provide genetic risk assessment.
- Interact with other healthcare professionals in the provision of services for patients with genetically influenced conditions and congenital anomalies.
- Collaborate in the interpretation and management of fetal ultrasound abnormalities.
- Interact with researchers in the provision of services to patients with a possibly genetically influenced problem.
- Order/ recommend clinical and in some instances research-based genetic and specialized laboratory testing and imaging information.
- Interpret clinical and research-generated genetic and specialized laboratory testing and imaging information.
- Provide patient and family counseling.
- Provide consultative service to colleagues consistent with medical staff policy regarding emergency and consultative call services.

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The core privileges in this specialty include the procedures on the attached procedures list and such other procedures that are extensions of the same techniques and skills.

Core procedures list

This is not intended to be an all-encompassing procedures list. It defines the types of activities/procedures/privileges that the majority of practitioners in this specialty perform at this organization and inherent activities/procedures/privileges requiring similar skill sets and techniques.

To the applicant: If there is a procedure you wish to NOT perform, then please type into the *Comments* field.

- Skin biopsy
- Buccal swab
- Phlebotomy

Non-core Privileges (See Specific Criteria)

Non-core privileges may be requested for by individuals who have further training, experience and demonstrated skill.

Non-core privileges are requested individually in addition to requesting the core.

Each individual requesting non-core privileges should meet the specific threshold criteria as outlined.

None identified at this time.

Context Specific Privileges

Context refers to the capacity of a facility to support an activity

None identified at this time.

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Process for requesting privileges not included in the dictionary

Where a member of the medical staff requests a privilege not included in the core, non-core or context specific privileges for a discipline, the following process will be followed.

1. The practitioner will request a **Change Request Form** from the Medical Affairs Office. This will be submitted to the head of department or chief of staff as part of the electronic application process
2. The practitioner will complete the privileges section of the **Change Request Form** and submit with the following information; the privilege requested, the location within the facility where the privilege would be exercised, and the relevant training and experience held by the practitioner in this area.
3. The department head or chief of staff, in consultation with the senior medical administrator and medical administrator responsible for the facility, will determine if the requested privilege can be supported at that site.
4. Where it is deemed appropriate, the practitioner, the department head or chief of staff and the senior medical administrator will agree on any additional training required, and a minimum level of activity required to maintain the privilege. The specific minimum number requirement indicating the level of experience needed to demonstrate skill to obtain clinical privileges for the requested procedure must be evidence-based. Where no supporting literature exists for a specific number, the criteria are established by the consensus of a multidisciplinary group of practitioners who do not have self-interest in creating an artificially high volume requirement.
5. Any additional training will be done in a facility that normally trains practitioners in this activity. Exceptions may be granted in circumstances where all that is required is training by a member of the medical staff who holds the privilege in question.
6. On satisfactory completion of training, the department head or chief of staff may recommend to the governing body through the medical advisory committee that the privilege be granted.

The privileging dictionaries on this site (bcmqi.ca) are the official versions. They will be reviewed beginning in 2016. In the meantime if you have any questions or comments please contact your medical administration office or the BC MQI Office by completing the [Provincial Privileging Dictionary Feedback form](#).

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Acknowledgment of Practitioner

I have requested only those privileges for which by education, training, current experience, and demonstrated performance I am qualified to perform and for which I wish to exercise at the facility I am applying, and I understand that:

- a. In exercising any clinical privileges granted, I am constrained by hospital and medical staff policies and rules applicable generally and any applicable to the particular situation.
- b. Any restriction on the clinical privileges granted to me is waived in an emergency situation, and in such situation my actions are governed by the applicable section of the medical staff bylaws or related documents.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Department/Program Head or Leaders/Chief's Recommendation

I have reviewed the requested clinical privileges and supporting documentation for the above-named applicant and:

- Recommend all requested privileges
- Recommend privileges with the following conditions/modifications:
- Do not recommend the following requested privileges:

Privilege Condition/modification/explanation

Notes: _____

Name of Department / Division / Program: _____

Name of Medical Leader: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____