

Orthopaedic Surgery 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

The responsibility of the Orthopaedic Surgeon is to assess and treat conditions affecting the musculoskeletal system with the goals of relieving pain and maintaining or improving function

Qualifications for Orthopaedic Surgery

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

Be currently certified as an Orthopaedic Surgeon by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC)

AND/OR

Be recognized as an Orthopaedic Surgeon by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia (CPSBC) by virtue of credentials that are acceptable to both the CPSBC and the governing body of the Health Authority and its Affiliate(s).

AND

Recommended current experience: At least 84 booked surgical hours a year as the primary surgeon averaged over the past 24 months, reflective of the scope of privileges requested, OR successful completion of a residency or clinical fellowship within the past 12 months. The department head will have the authority to override these standards through a similar process as outlined in the return to practice section.

Physicians employing fluoroscopic techniques during procedures will have a current radiation safety course.

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

- Successful participation in the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons Maintenance of Certification Program



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- Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (84 booked surgical hours a year as the primary surgeon averaged over the past 36 months), reflective of the scope of privileges requested, based on successful ongoing professional practice evaluation.
- Physicians employing fluoroscopic techniques during procedures will have a current radiation safety course.

Return to practice: As a minimum, evaluation by a colleague who holds core privileges in Orthopaedic Surgery for a period of time sufficient for the mentor to attest to skill.

Core privileges: Orthopaedic Surgery

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

Requested Provide consultation and manage patients with orthopaedic conditions a. May provide care to patients in the intensive care setting in conformance with unit policies. Assess, stabilize, and determine the disposition of patients with emergent conditions consistent with medical staff policy regarding emergency and consultative call services. 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 privileges: Admitting Privileges

Requested: Full Admitting

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.



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- Trauma including multisystem trauma excluding complex pelvic fractures
- Routine hand and wrist surgery
- Routine foot and ankle surgery
- Surgery for Athletic injuries, including arthroscopy
- Amputations excluding girdle amputations (forequarter and hindquarter amputations)
- Orthopaedic oncology excluding limb salvage for primary malignant disease except under the direction of an orthopaedic oncologist
- Joint aspiration/injection
- Casting and splinting
- Wound management
- Management of bone, joint and soft tissue infection
- Primary/uncomplicated hip and knee replacement (including revision of modular components)
- Routine shoulder/elbow surgery (including shoulder hemiarthroplasty and radial head replacement for trauma)

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.

Non-core privileges: Spine procedures

Requested

Initial privileges: Fellowship in adult and/or pediatric spine surgery or documentation of additional training or experience

AND

Recommended current experience: At least 20 spine procedures per year averaged over the past 24 months, OR successful completion of a clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.



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Renewal of privileges: Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (at least 10 spine procedures per year, averaged over the past 36 months), reflective of the scope of privileges requested, based on successful ongoing professional practice evaluation.

Return to practice: As a minimum, evaluation by a colleague who holds these privileges in Orthopaedic Surgery for a period of time sufficient for the mentor to attest to skill.

Non-core privileges: Complex primary hip and knee arthroplasty and revision hip and knee arthroplasty

Requested

Initial privileges: Fellowship in adult reconstructive orthopaedics or documentation of additional training or experience

AND

Recommended current experience: At least 10 complex primary hip and knee arthroplasty/or revision hip and knee arthroplasty procedures per year averaged over the past 24 months, OR successful completion of a clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (at least 10 complex primary hip and knee arthroplasty and revision hip and knee arthroplasty procedures per year averaged over the past 36 months), reflective of the scope of privileges requested, based on successful ongoing professional practice evaluation.

Return to practice: As a minimum, evaluation by a colleague who holds these privileges in Orthopaedic Surgery for a period of time sufficient for the mentor to attest to skill

Non-core privileges: Non-routine trauma including pelvic or acetabular fractures and complex malunion/nonunion/deformity reconstruction

Requested



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Initial privileges: Fellowship in orthopaedic trauma or documentation of additional training or experience

AND

Recommended current experience: At least 10 non-routine trauma procedures per year (including pelvic or acetabular fractures and complex malunion/nonunion/deformity reconstruction) averaged over the past 24 months, OR successful completion of a clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (at least 10 non-routine trauma procedures per year - including pelvic or acetabular fractures and complex malunion/nonunion/deformity reconstruction – averaged over the past 36 months), reflective of the scope of privileges requested, based on successful ongoing professional practice evaluation.

Return to practice: As a minimum, evaluation by a colleague who holds these privileges in Orthopaedic Surgery for a period of time sufficient for the mentor to attest to skill

Non-core privileges: Limb salvage surgery for primary malignant bone neoplasia

Requested

Initial privileges: Fellowship in musculoskeletal oncology or documentation of additional training or experience

AND

Recommended current experience: At least 10 limb salvage surgeries per year for primary malignant bone or soft tissue neoplasia over the past 24 months, OR successful completion of a clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (at least 10 limb salvage surgeries per year for primary malignant bone or soft tissue neoplasia, over

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the past 36 months), reflective of the scope of privileges requested, based on successful ongoing professional practice evaluation.

Return to practice: As a minimum, evaluation by a colleague who holds these privileges in Orthopaedic Surgery for a period of time sufficient for the mentor to attest to skill

Non-core privileges: Non-routine hand and wrist surgery including arthroplasty and arthroscopy

Requested

Initial privileges: Fellowship in hand and wrist surgery or documentation of additional training or experience

AND

Recommended current experience: At least 10 non-routine hand and wrist surgeries per year (including arthroplasty and arthroscopy) over the past 24 months, OR successful completion of a clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (at least 10 non-routine hand and wrist surgeries per year - including arthroplasty and arthroscopy - over the past 36 months), reflective of the scope of privileges requested, based on successful ongoing professional practice evaluation.

Return to practice: As a minimum, evaluation by a colleague who holds these privileges in Orthopaedic Surgery for a period of time sufficient for the mentor to attest to skill

Non-core privileges: Microvascular surgery including re-implantation and microvascular flaps

Requested

Initial privileges: Fellowship in hand and wrist surgery (including microvascular surgery) or documentation of additional training or experience



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AND

Recommended current experience: At least 5 microvascular surgeries per year (including re-implantation and microvascular flaps) over the past 24 months, OR successful completion of a clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (at least 5 microvascular surgeries per year - including re-implantation and microvascular flaps - over the past 36 months), reflective of the scope of privileges requested, based on successful ongoing professional practice evaluation.

Return to practice: As a minimum, evaluation by a colleague who holds these privileges in Orthopaedic Surgery for a period of time sufficient for the mentor to attest to skill

Non-core privileges: Non-routine foot and ankle surgery including joint arthroplasty and complex deformity reconstruction

Requested

Initial privileges: Fellowship in foot and ankle surgery or documentation of additional training or experience

AND

Recommended current experience: At least 10 non-routine foot and ankle surgeries per year (including joint arthroplasty) over the past 24 months, OR successful completion of a clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (at least 10 non-routine foot and ankle surgeries per year - including replacement - over the past 36 months), reflective of the scope of privileges requested, based on successful ongoing professional practice evaluation.



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Return to practice: As a minimum, evaluation by a colleague who holds these privileges in Orthopaedic Surgery for a period of time sufficient for the mentor to attest to skill

Non-core privileges: Non-routine shoulder and elbow surgery, including arthroscopy and total joint arthroplasty

Requested

Initial privileges: Fellowship in shoulder and elbow surgery or documentation of additional training or experience

AND

Recommended current experience: At least 10 non-routine shoulder or elbow surgeries per year (including arthroscopy and total joint arthroplasty) over the past 24 months, OR successful completion of a clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (at least 10 non-routine shoulder or elbow surgeries per year - including arthroscopy and total replacement - over the past 36 months), reflective of the scope of privileges requested, based on successful ongoing professional practice evaluation.

Return to practice: As a minimum, evaluation by a colleague who holds these privileges in Orthopaedic Surgery for a period of time sufficient for the mentor to attest to skill

Non-core privileges: Non-routine paediatric orthopaedics (patients under 18 years of age)

Requested

Initial privileges: Fellowship in paediatric orthopaedics or additional training or experience

AND



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Recommended current experience: At least 10 paediatric orthopaedic procedural cases per year, averaged over the past 24 months reflective of the scope of privileges requested, OR successful completion of a clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (at least 10 paediatric orthopaedic surgical and non-surgical cases per year, averaged over the past 36 months), reflective of the scope of privileges requested, based on successful ongoing professional practice evaluation.

Return to practice: As a minimum, evaluation by a colleague who holds these privileges in Orthopaedic Surgery for a period of time sufficient for the mentor to attest to skill

Non-core privileges: Osteotomy and non-routine arthroscopic surgery of the hip and knee

Requested

Initial privileges: Fellowship in advanced arthroscopic techniques or additional training or experience

AND

Recommended current experience: At least 10 non-routine arthroscopic and joint preservation surgeries per year, averaged over the past 24 months, OR successful completion of a clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (at least 10 non-routine arthroscopic and joint preservation surgeries per year, averaged over the past 36 months), reflective of the scope of privileges requested, based on successful ongoing professional practice evaluation.

Return to practice: As a minimum, evaluation by a colleague who holds these privileges in Orthopaedic Surgery for a period of time sufficient for the mentor to attest to skill

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Context Specific Privileges

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

Administration of procedural sedation and analgesia

Requested

See "Hospital Policy for Sedation and Analgesia by Non-anesthesiologists."

For Reference Only



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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: _____