

New working group for Medical Imaging QI

This May saw the first meeting of a new BC MQI working group for Medical Imaging Quality Improvement. Represented organizations include: the Ministry of Health, BC's health authorities, the BC Radiological Society, the Specialist Services Committee, the College of Physicians and Surgeons, the BC Patient Safety and Quality Council, and the UBC Faculty of Medicine.

This non-partisan group of health care colleagues share a common goal; to ensure that BC patients receive the highest quality medical imaging care possible—through quality improvement activities. First steps for the group are to develop a terms of reference and to gain a high-level view on medical imaging QI activities across the province.

AppCentral system sync in August

AppCentral sync will cause a brief outage and a minor loss of historical data

AppCentral will be down for approximately two days this August, while updates are made to drop down lists in both *Initial* and *Reappointment* application forms. This update is required to sync the drop down lists in the forms and main database, which will increase the consistency of data across the provincial system.

Practitioners should be aware that the update could result in a minor loss of data from previous submissions to AppCentral. Some drop down list items will be eliminated in the syncing process. If you'd previously selected an item that no longer exists after the August update, your AppCentral record will subsequently display "select item" for that field.

There is no action required by practitioners as historical applications are saved in the Cactus system in pdf format. If you wish to retrieve data from your original *Initial* or *Reappointment* application, contact your local medical affairs office for assistance.

The changes to the system will not impact health authority appointments or privileges. More details will be provided to the health authorities and affiliates as they are confirmed. Queries can also be sent to support@bcmqi.ca.

New BC MQI website coming soon

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Dictionary refresh

A number of panels have completed their work in recent weeks, resulting in updated provincial dictionaries for general surgery, hematological pathology, pediatric surgery, midwifery and nurse practitioners. These revised dictionaries will now be brought forward for endorsement to the BC MQI quality assurance working group and the Provincial Medical Services Executive Council.

Reviews in progress

Reviews are ongoing for the Family Practice dictionaries (general practice, enhanced surgical skills, and anesthesia), as well as anesthesiology, anatomical pathology, diagnostic imaging, general pathology, and sub-panels for interventional pain management and for clinical practitioners in oncology.

Next up

Panels launching in June or July:

- Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Hospital Medicine
- General Internal Medicine
- Plastic Surgery

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Have questions or concerns about AppCentral or the provincial privileging dictionaries? See the resources at www.bcmqi.ca or contact your medical leader or local medical administration office.

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