

The Orthopaedic Surgery dictionary was approved by PMSEC on 12 July 2018.

REVIEW PANEL COMPOSITION

The panel was composed of two co-chairs with expertise in the provincial privileging dictionaries and 6 subject matter experts, who work across 5 of the province's health authorities and with representation from the Doctors of BC.

RECORD OF REVIEW PANEL DECISIONS AND CRITERIA IDENTIFIED

Below are panel decisions and/or criteria identified to guide discussion of clinical practice and standards.

1. Use training requirements to define current experience

The panel defines current experience by specifying training requirements associated to each non-core privilege. The training requirements replace the procedure numbers that previously defined current experience.

2. Broaden core privilege criteria to include both elective and emergency surgical hours

The panel was in agreement to replace "booked surgical hours" to "elective and emergency surgical hours" for core privilege. By broadening the criteria, it will allow orthopedic surgeons who currently practice in locum capacity to still qualify for this dictionary.

3. Non-core privilege has been separated into two distinct non-core privileges

Non-core privilege: non-routine trauma including pelvic or acetabular fractures and complex malunion/non-union/deformity reconstruction has been separated into two distinct non-core privileges.

Current experience

Decision / Revision: Change from 84 surgical hours to 120 elective/ emergency surgical hours.

Engagement Method: Panel discussion

ORIGINAL	REVISION
<p>Recommendations for current experience for initial and renewal of privileges identified 84 booked surgical hours.</p> <p>After reviewing different scenarios (full time and locums, the revised number was felt changing to 120 elective/ emergency surgical hours to be a more inclusive criteria.</p>	<p>C1: qualifications have been revised to 120 elective/ emergency surgical hours</p>

Non-core privileges

Decision / Revision: Non-core privileges changed from identified procedure volumes.

Engagement Method: Panel discussion

ORIGINAL	REVISION
<p>Recommended current experience: At least 10 XX procedures per year averaged over the past 24 months, OR successful completion of a clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.</p> <p>Renewal of privileges: Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (at least 10 XX procedures per year averaged over the past 36 months), reflective of the scope of privileges requested, based on successful ongoing professional practice evaluation.</p>	<p>C2: Recommended current experience: Current demonstrated clinical experience and documented management of procedures, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, at the last sites where the surgeon held privileges or successful completion of clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.</p> <p>Renewal of privileges: Current documented clinical experience within the past three years, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, based on the results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes</p>

Decision / Revision: Non-core privilege hip & knee arthroscopy privilege revised.

Engagement Method: Panel discussion

ORIGINAL	REVISION
<p>Non-core privileges: Osteotomy and non-routine arthroscopic surgery of the hip and knee</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Requested</p>	<p>C3: Non-core privileges: Osteotomy and non-routine arthroscopic surgery of the hip and knee</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Requested: Osteotomy and non-routine arthroscopic surgery of the knee</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Requested: Osteotomy and arthroscopic surgery of the hip</p>

Non-core privileges

Decision / Revision: Non-core privilege: non-routine trauma including pelvic or acetabular fractures and complex malunion/non-union/deformity reconstruction has been separated into two distinct non-core privileges.

Engagement Method: Panel discussion

ORIGINAL	REVISION
<p>Non-core privileges: non-routine trauma including pelvic or acetabular fractures and complex malunion/non-union/deformity reconstruction has been separated into two distinct non-core privileges.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Requested</p>	<p>C4: Non-core privileges: non-routine trauma including pelvic or acetabular fractures <i>AND</i></p> <p>Non-core privileges: Non-routine trauma – complex malunion/ nonunion/ deformity reconstruction</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Requested</p>

Decision / Revision: Non-core privilege for non-routine pediatric orthopedics.

Engagement Method: Panel discussion

ORIGINAL	REVISION
<p>Non-core privileges: Non-routine paediatric orthopaedics (patients under 18 years of age)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Requested</p>	<p>C5: Non-core privileges: Non-routine paediatric orthopaedics (patients under 17 years of age)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Requested</p>

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Name: _____
Effective from: ____/____/____ to ____/____/____

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

All new applicants must meet the following requirements as approved by the governing body, effective: July 12, 2018

Instructions:

Applicant: Check the “Requested” box for each privilege requested. Applicants are responsible for producing required documentation to allow 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 by uploading the appropriate documents. Privileges should not be requested (checked off) and cannot be granted unless the specific criteria associated with the privilege are met.

Medical/Clinical leaders: 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: Current experience thresholds suggested in this document were developed by practitioners in the field, and are *not* intended as a barrier to practice or to service delivery. They are *not* intended as rigid cut offs, below which clinical privileges must be restricted or removed. Instead, medical/clinical leaders are encouraged to initiate discussions with those practitioners who are close to or below the thresholds, to ensure that mechanisms are in place to ensure adequate practitioner experience and patient outcomes.

Other requirements: Note that even if applicants meet skill or experience requirements, each site will determine if the requested privilege can be supported at that site. 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 training and current experience to exercise clinical privileges. The applicant must also adhere to any additional organizational, regulatory, or accreditation requirements that the organization is obligated to meet.

Exemption requests: A request for exemption from meeting specific credentialing requirements for a core or non-core privilege may be made; however, these will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the provincial credentialing & privileging oversight committee (CPOC) to determine if an expert panel should be convened to consider the request.

Context: The care of patients presenting with complex problems or uncommon diseases

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requires access to multidisciplinary groups, experienced teams and institutions with the necessary subspecialties and infrastructure for appropriate care.

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.

Continuous Professional Development (CPD): Where suggested in this document, CPD requirements reflect those professional development activities which are eligible for:

1. credit under the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada's (Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program;
2. the College of Family Physicians of Canada Mainpro+;
3. those professional development activities held in foreign jurisdictions which would be eligible under the MOC/Mainpro program if held in Canada; or
4. equivalent CPD or Quality Assurance activities for other practitioners.

Planned vs. Unplanned (Emergency) Care: The scope of privileges granted to any individual practitioner is based on considerations of patient care under "normal circumstances." In the setting of risk to life or limb, the rules of privilege are not meant to constrain practitioners from acting in the best interest of a patient.

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

Core privilege: Types of activities a recent graduate of the discipline can reasonably be expected to perform at a specific facility. Under core privileges in this dictionary, if there is a procedure you wish to NOT perform please type into the *Comments* field.

Non-core privilege: Types of activities that require further training, experience and demonstrated skill. Non-core privileges are requested in addition to requesting core. Individuals requesting these privileges should meet the specific threshold criteria associated to such non-core privileges.

Context specific privileges: Privileges that take into account what medical services and procedures a facility can support.

Additional privilege: An additional privilege is any privilege that is not included in the core, non-core, or context-specific privileges dictionary for your discipline. Additional privileges already listed in this document were previously requested by others who practice in your discipline; they may or may not be relevant to you. If there are any privileges not listed in your dictionary that you wish to request, please complete an additional privilege request form and attach any evidence of training to support your request.

Restricted procedures: Some dictionaries have procedures identified by the Ministry of Health as [DESIGNATED A RESTRICTED SERVICE BY THE MEDICAL SERVICES COMMISSION].

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Privileges identified as restricted procedures may be flagged in this document. Where it appears, the restricted procedures flag is for administrative tracking only, and has no impact on clinical content.

Reference Only

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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)

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 120 elective/emergency 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 appropriate medical leader will have the authority to override these standards through a similar process as outlined in the return to practice section.

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

- Current demonstrated skill and sufficient experience (120 elective/emergent 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.

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, and assess, stabilize, and determine the disposition of patients with emergent conditions consistent with medical staff policy regarding emergency and consultative call services. May provide care to patients in the intensive care setting in conformance with unit policies. The core privileges in this specialty

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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 for all age groups at this organization and inherent activities/procedures/privileges requiring similar skill sets and techniques.

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

- 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 arthroplasty and radial head replacement for trauma)

Core privileges: Admitting Privileges

☐ **Requested:** Full Admitting

Non-core privileges (see specific criteria)

- Are permits for activities that require further training, experience and demonstrated skill
- 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**

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

AND

Recommended current experience: Current demonstrated clinical experience and documented management of procedures, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, at the last sites where the surgeon held privileges or successful completion of clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current documented clinical experience within the past three years, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, based on the results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes

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: Current demonstrated clinical experience and documented management of procedures, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, at the last sites where the surgeon held privileges or successful completion of clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current documented clinical experience within the past three years, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, based on the results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes

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

☐ Requested

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

AND

Recommended current experience: Current demonstrated clinical experience and documented management of procedures, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, at the last sites where the surgeon held privileges or successful completion of clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current documented clinical experience within the past three years, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, based on the results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes

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 – complex malunion/nonunion/deformity reconstruction

☐ Requested

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

AND

Recommended current experience: Current demonstrated clinical experience and documented management of procedures, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, at the last sites where the surgeon held privileges or successful completion of clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current documented clinical experience within the past three years, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, based on the results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes

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

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

AND

Recommended current experience: Current demonstrated clinical experience and documented management of procedures, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, at the last sites where the surgeon held privileges or successful completion of clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current documented clinical experience within the past three years, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, based on the results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes

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 reconstruction, 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: Current demonstrated clinical experience and documented management of procedures, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, at the last sites where the surgeon held privileges or successful completion of clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current documented clinical experience within the past three years, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, based on the results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes

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

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

AND

Recommended current experience: Current demonstrated clinical experience and documented management of procedures, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, at the last sites where the surgeon held privileges or successful completion of clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current documented clinical experience within the past three years, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, based on the results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes.

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 but not limited to total ankle arthroplasty

☐ Requested

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

AND

Recommended current experience: Current demonstrated clinical experience and documented management of procedures, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, at the last sites where the surgeon held privileges or successful completion of clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current documented clinical experience within the past three years, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, based on the results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes.

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 but not limited to reverse shoulder arthroplasty, elbow joint replacement.

☐ Requested

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

AND

Recommended current experience: Current demonstrated clinical experience and documented management of procedures, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, at the last sites where the surgeon held privileges or successful completion of clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current documented clinical experience within the past three years, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, based on the results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes.

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 17 years of age)

☐ Requested

Initial privileges: Fellowship in pediatric orthopedics or additional training or experience

AND

Recommended current experience: Current demonstrated clinical experience and documented management of procedures, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, at the last sites where the surgeon held privileges or successful completion of clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current documented clinical experience within the past three years, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, based on the results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes

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: Osteotomy and non-routine arthroscopic surgery of the knee

☐ Requested: Osteotomy and arthroscopic surgery of the hip

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

AND

Recommended current experience: Current demonstrated clinical experience and documented management of procedures, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, at the last sites where the surgeon held privileges or successful completion of clinical fellowship within the past 12 months.

Renewal of privileges: Current documented clinical experience within the past three years, reflective of the scope of the privilege requested, based on the results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes

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

Context specific privileges

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

Context specific privileges: Administration of procedural sedation

☐ Requested

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

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Additional privileges

Definition: An additional privilege is any privilege that is not included in the core, non-core, or context-specific privileges dictionary for your discipline.

To request a privilege that is not included in the core, non-core, or context specific privileges for your discipline, notify your medical leader or local credentialing office.

A credentialing coordinator will send you an additional privilege request form to complete.

Instructions

On the additional privilege request form, you'll be asked to provide the following details:

- a) the privilege requested (*the procedure or activity you are requesting*)
- b) the site or facility where the privilege would be exercised, and
- c) your relevant training, experience or certification, if applicable.

Your request for additional privileges will be submitted to your medical leader. Please note that additional privileges are not automatically granted, but are reviewed to determine alignment with the site capacity and to ensure training requirements are met.

Dictionary content and feedback

The privileging dictionaries on this site (bcmqi.ca) are the official versions.

Dictionary content will be updated as according to the review schedule posted at the bcmqi.ca dictionary review hub. You can provide input on a dictionary at any time, by submitting a [Dictionary Feedback](#) form to the BC MQI office.

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Acknowledgement 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: _____

Medical / Clinical Leader'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/ Facility:

Name of Medical Leader:

Title:

Signature:

Date: