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AppCentral Update and Next Steps

AppCentral, including the provincial privileging dictionaries, have been successfully rolled out across all BC Health Authorities. AppCentral is a module of the C&P System, the provincial online system practitioners will use to submit their appointment and reappointment applications when required by the BC Health Authorities. Questions or feedback about AppCentral should be directed to the practitioner's medical administration office.

The process to review and approve a practitioner's privileges is unchanged and continues to be facilitated by their Medical Leader. Also, the privileges a practitioner holds today will stay the same until it's time for them to complete their reapplication.

Self-help tools and resources can be found on bcmqi.ca/credentialing-privileging-system.

What's Next? iCommittee (Phase 2B) is an online system for BC Health Authorities to manage and track the credentialing and privileging review and approval process. Work is underway and iCommittee is

scheduled to roll out early 2016. Health authority business leads will engage Medical Leaders to discuss how to best implement iCommittee.

Provincial Privileging Dictionaries

More than 300 BC medical professionals and specialty experts developed the 62 Provincial Privileging Dictionaries over the past 3 years. The dictionaries provide consistent, province-wide benchmarks for medical professionals seeking privileges within BC's health authorities and will help to ensure patient and client safety. They provide a framework for privileging conversations at the time of appointment and re-appointment. It is anticipated that there will be changes to the dictionaries in the near future and over time, although those currently available for reference (www.bcmqi.ca) will remain unchanged until the BC Medical Quality Oversight Committee approves the change and refresh process.

Privileging Dictionary Task Group-Review and Refresh Process

A new task group has been established to replace the former Privileging Dictionary Steering Committee. The task group is chaired by Dr. Becky Temple (Northern Health) and includes previous co-chairs from the privileging panels and representatives from the BC MQI working groups. The task group will make recommendations to the Medical Quality Oversight



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Committee on key components of the framework for review and refresh of the privileging dictionaries. They will complete their work by April 30, 2016. The objectives of this group include:

- establishing criteria for prioritizing the current 62 dictionaries for 'waves' of review and refresh;
- establishing rationale and criteria for method of review and refresh;
- identifying requirements for development of new dictionaries;
- confirming the pathway and escalation processes for areas of sensitivity and high risk impact;
- identifying resource requirements and recurring funding to support review and refresh activity;
- suggesting processes to support the BC MQI Office in responding to and managing emerging dictionary issues;
- establishing appeal and dispute resolution processes; and
- supporting the communications strategy by identifying key messages to communicate to medical staff relating to the dictionaries.

Questions or feedback about AppCentral or the provincial privileging dictionaries should be directed to the practitioner's Medical Administration Office.

Physician QI Working Group

The Medical QI Working Group has been renamed the Physician QI Working Group.

The provincial privileging dictionaries are available for reference on www.bcmqi.ca. All privileging categories are easily accessible. To comment or request a privilege not found in the provincial privilege dictionaries, complete the Privileging Dictionary Change Request form and email it to bcmqi@phsa.ca.