



College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia

Professional Standards and Guidelines

Injection of Botulinum Toxin, Dermal Fillers and Venous Sclerotherapy

Preamble

This document is a standard of the Board of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia.

College's Position

Physicians who provide injections of botulinum toxin, dermal fillers or venous sclerotherapy must have completed relevant medical education and training prior to performing such procedures.

Physicians must either provide these injections themselves, or following assessment of the patient, they may order a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse to perform the injection. No unlicensed person (such as a medical office assistant) may provide these injections. Physicians who allow unlicensed persons to provide these services under their direction may be subject to charges of unprofessional conduct. Physicians who order a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse to provide these services must be aware of the extent of training and the ability of the registered nurse or licensed practical nurse to perform the injections and meet the standard of care. At the time of the procedure, the ordering physician or another physician who has assumed responsibility must be present within the facility and immediately available for consultation.

Physicians are reminded to be aware of and comply with the College's standard [Advertising and Communication with the Public](#).

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