



College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia

Professional Standards and Guidelines

Lasers in Clinical Practice

Preamble

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

The use of lasers in clinical practice is expanding.

Physicians using class 3B or class 4 lasers must be registered through the College's Non-Hospital Medical and Surgical Facilities Program Committee, and must comply with the defined requirements of that program.

The [BC Centre for Disease Control](http://www.bccdc.ca) has developed a guideline document to help owners and operators of laser facilities identify and address the key requirements for laser safety.

To access the *Laser Hair Removal Devices - Safety Guidelines for Owners/Operator* found at the BCCDC website, go to: <http://www.bccdc.ca/NR/rdonlyres/8DD1B6DD-5FBB-4C74-86D3-8853A3CE553B/0/LaserHairRemovalGuidelinesforFacilityOwnersandOperatorsFINALDRAFTtrs.pdf>.

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