

Provincial Clinical Practice Change

Operating Room (OR) Surgical Case Scheduling Timelines

Date issued: May 11, 2023

Dear Colleagues,

The provincially approved **Shared Health Operating Room (OR) Surgical Case Scheduling Timelines Provincial Clinical Guideline** is being released to ensure the full utilization of Operating Room (OR) capacity and resources by proactive planning. Service Delivery Organizations (SDOs) will use this guideline to inform the creation of their local standard operating procedures for OR surgical case scheduling effective as soon as possible.

Patient Impact:

- Equitable, accessible and safe services available to patients
- Decreased wait times for services requiring surgical care
- Sustainable and efficient quality of care

System Impact:

- Standardized provincial practices promoting professional environments
- Streamlined pathways to deliver service
- Supports consistent and appropriate OR surgical case scheduling province-wide

The Provincial Clinical Guideline is available at: Shared Health Clinical Projects, Standards, and Guidelines

We appreciate your support as we move towards standardized practice in order to optimize our delivery of timely services in the province.

Contact Information:

Dr. Christodoulou Provincial Anesthesia Specialty Lead, Shared Health

Dr. Edward Buchel Provincial Specialty Lead, Surgery, Shared Health