

February 2022



Dear Surgeon,

Re: 2022 BC Diagnosis (BC Dx) Code Updates and new forms

The Surgical Patient Registry (SPR), in consultation with provincial clinical subject matter experts, has updated several Adult BC Dx codes. These updates will be implemented **April 1, 2022.**

What do you need to do?

1. Please discard previous BC Diagnosis (Dx) code forms (v2021) and replace with the current version: **v2022-P1.**
2. Ensure you use both **Adult** and **Pediatric** BC Dx code forms for your specialty:
ADULT patients = 17 years or older, at date of decision
PEDIATRIC patients = 17 years, less a day, or younger, at date of decision

*It is vital to waitlist management to use the correct code set **based on your patient’s age at date of decision (the date at which the patient is ready, willing and able to proceed with surgery).**

What was updated in 2022?

- **Pediatric Priority1** (wait time target: 1 day) codes have been added to the PDF **Pediatric** code forms for surgeon use. No changes were made to the pediatric codes themselves.
- Adult code updates for v2022-P1 include only:

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| Neurosurgery | 32BZAH Refractory Epilepsy, second stage following intracranial monitoring (P1). New code. <i>32BZAG Refractory Epilepsy requiring intracranial monitoring (P5) will expire.</i> |
| Ob/Gyne | 50RMIE Retained IUD pregnant. New code. |
| | 50RMIF Perforated IUD. New code. |
| | 50RMJB Retained IUD – not pregnant, not perforating. Description clarification adding “not perforating”. |
| | 50OTAA Abdominal foreign body for removal (e.g. IUD) (P5). Expired code. |
| | 50RZAC Infertility (P4). New code to replace 2 codes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>50RZAA</i> Infertility > 35 years old (at time of booking) will expire. • <i>50RZAB</i> Infertility < 35 years old (at time of booking) will expire. |
| | 50RMDF Menorrhagia – moderate / severe impact on lifestyle (P4). New code to replace 2 codes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>50RMHD</i> Menorrhagia – severe impact on lifestyle will expire. • <i>50RMHE</i> Menorrhagia – moderate impact on lifestyle will expire. |
| | 50RZDG Chronic pelvic/vulvar/vaginal pain (P4) was created with higher priority to replace 50RZDE (P5) |
| | 50RMMA Abnormal uterine bleeding high risk of malignancy (for example Post-menopausal) (P1) description update to include “(for example post-menopausal)”. |
| | 50RMMB Abnormal uterine bleeding low risk of malignancy (for example pre-menopausal) (P4) description update to include “(for example pre-menopausal)”. |
| | 50RMJA Undesired/abnormal pregnancy, termination - not reportable to SPR - description update to include ‘termination’ to clarify only pregnancy termination procedures are to use this code. |
| 50RMLA Retained products of conception/missed/incomplete miscarriage requiring evacuation (P1) - description update to remove the word ‘a bortion’ which may be confusing to non-medical data consumers. | |

If you have any questions or feedback on the BC diagnosis codes, please contact the SPR office, at SPRoffice@phsa.ca

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

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BC Patient Condition and Diagnosis Descriptions

Otolaryngology - Adult (17 years and above on the date of decision)

| Diagnosis Group | BC Diagnosis Code | Diagnosis Description | BC Priority Level | Wait Time Target In Weeks |
|--------------------|-------------------|--|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Ear/Mastoid | 60DEAA | External canal atresia/stenosis | 4 | 12 |
| | 60DLAA | Mastoid and/or middle ear disease | 4 | 12 |
| | 60DLAB | Mastoid and/or middle ear disease - complicated | 1 | 2 |
| | 60DLCA | Malignant neoplasm ear/mastoid | 2 | 4 |
| | 60DZAA | Hearing loss - other | 4 | 12 |
| Esophagus | 60NAAA | Esophageal stricture/diverticulum - with severe obstruction | 1 | 2 |
| | 60NAAB | Esophageal stricture/diverticulum - with non-severe obstruction | 4 | 12 |
| Glottis and Larynx | 60GAAA | Vocal cord paralysis | 3 | 6 |
| | 60GAAB | Vocal cord paralysis with aspiration | 1 | 2 |
| | 60GEAA | Laryngeal polyp/nodule | 4 | 12 |
| | 60GEBA | Suspected or confirmed malignant neoplasm of larynx | 1 | 2 |
| | 60GECC | Benign neoplasm larynx | 4 | 12 |
| | 60GECD | Benign neoplasm larynx - obstructing | 1 | 2 |
| Head/Neck | 60YCCB | Malignant neoplasm skin | 2 | 4 |
| | 60YG CX | Malignant neoplasm neck | 2 | 4 |
| | 60YG CY | Benign neoplasm neck - cyst neck | 4 | 12 |
| Miscellaneous | 60ZZAA | Sleep apnea | 5 | 26 |
| Mouth and Pharynx | 60FKCC | Malignant neoplasm oral cavity | 2 | 4 |
| | 60FKCE | Benign neoplasm oral cavity | 4 | 12 |
| | 60FRAC | Tonsillitis - recurrent/chronic | 5 | 26 |
| | 60FRAD | Adenoiditis - recurrent/chronic | 5 | 26 |
| | 60FXCA | Malignant neoplasm oropharynx, hypopharynx | 2 | 4 |
| | 60FXCB | Malignant neoplasm oropharynx - hypopharynx - with impending airway compromise | 1 | 2 |
| | 60FXCC | Benign neoplasm oropharynx | 4 | 12 |
| | 60FXCE | Benign neoplasm hypopharynx | 3 | 6 |
| Nose and Sinuses | 60ESAB | Deviated nasal septum | 5 | 26 |
| | 60ETAA | Epistaxis - recurrent/chronic | 4 | 12 |
| | 60ETAE | Traumatic Nasal Deformity | 4 | 12 |
| | 60EYAA | Chronic sinusitis/polyposis | 4 | 12 |
| | 60EYAE | Sinusitis acute - complicated | 1 | 2 |
| | 60EYCA | Benign neoplasm sinus | 4 | 12 |
| | 60EYCB | Malignant neoplasm sinus | 2 | 4 |
| Salivary Gland | 60FPAA | Sialadenitis - acute | 1 | 2 |
| | 60FPAB | Sialadenitis - chronic | 4 | 12 |
| | 60FPCC | Salivary gland benign disease | 4 | 12 |
| | 60FPCD | Salivary gland malignancy | 2 | 4 |

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|--|-------------------|---|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Thyroid Parathyroid | 60FUAB | Asymptomatic benign mass - goiter or cyst | 5 | 26 |
| | 60FUCA | Medullary thyroid cancer | 2 | 4 |
| | 60FUCD | Benign neoplasm/thyroid mass: rule out malignancy | 4 | 12 |
| | 60FUCF | Malignant thyroid disease except non-metastatic stage 1 papillary carcinoma | 2 | 4 |
| | 60FUCG | Early stage papillary carcinoma | 4 | 12 |
| | 60FUCI | Well differentiated thyroid cancer with cervical lymph node metastases | 2 | 4 |
| | 60FUCJ | Well differentiated thyroid cancer without cervical lymph node metastases | 4 | 12 |
| | 60FVAB | Hyperparathyroidism - significant symptoms or Calcium greater than 3.0 mmol/L | 2 | 4 |
| | 60FVAC | Hyperparathyroidism | 4 | 12 |
| Tympanic Membrane | 60DFAA | Myringotomy and tubes for recurrent otitis media | 4 | 12 |
| | 60DFAB | Myringotomy and tube for otitis media with effusion | 4 | 12 |
| Other * (provide unique diagnosis in free text description) | 60ZZZA | Otolaryngology other P1 | 1 | 2 |
| | 60ZZZB | Otolaryngology other P2 | 2 | 4 |
| | 60ZZZC | Otolaryngology other P3 | 3 | 6 |
| | 60ZZZD | Otolaryngology other P4 | 4 | 12 |
| | 60ZZZE | Otolaryngology other P5 | 5 | 26 |

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Otolaryngology - Pediatric (Under 17 years on the date of decision)

| Diagnosis Group | BC Diagnosis Code | PCAT Code | Patient Condition & Diagnosis Description | Priority Level | Wait Time Target in Days | Wait Time Target in Weeks ** |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--|--|----------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Disorders of the Airway | 61ETEA | 3569 | Choanal Atresia - Bilateral | Ila | 7 | 1 |
| | 61ETEB | 3570 | Choanal Atresia - Unilateral | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61ETFA | 3571 | Foreign Body - Ingested | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61GEFA | 3568 | Foreign Body - Airway | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61NAEB | 3601 | Foreign Body - Disc Battery | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61GEGA | 4647 | Chronic Aspiration/Swallowing Dysfunction | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61GEGB | 4648 | Chronic Aspiration/Swallowing Dysfunction & Sleep Apnea | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61GEGC | 4649 | Chronic Aspiration/Posterior Laryngeal Cleft | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61GEIA | 4650 | Dysphonia | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61GEGD | 4651 | Laryngeal Mobility Disorder/Respiratory Failure | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61GEGF | 4652 | Laryngeal Mobility Disorder/Sleep Apnea/Swallowing Dysfunction | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61GEGG | 4653 | Laryngeal Stenosis - No Significant Airway Issues & Tracheostomized | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61GEAA | 3572 | Laryngeal Stenosis - with Significant Airway Issues | Ila | 7 | 1 |
| | 61GEAB | 3573 | Laryngeal Stenosis - without Significant Airway Issues | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61GEBB | 3575 | Laryngomalacia - if Failure to Thrive/cyanosis/Apparent Life Threatening Spells | Ila | 7 | 1 |
| | 61GEBC | 4574 | Laryngomalacia | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61GEEA | 3576 | Laryngoscopy/Bronchoscopy for Diagnosis or Surveillance - with Significant Airway Obstruction | Ila | 7 | 1 |
| | 61GEEB | 3577 | Laryngoscopy/Bronchoscopy for Diagnosis or Surveillance - without Significant Airway Obstruction | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61GECA | 3578 | Papilloma of Larynx - with Acute Airway Obstruction | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61GECB | 3579 | Papilloma of Larynx - No Significant Airway Obstruction | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61GECC | 4654 | Papilloma of Larynx - No Significant Airway Obstruction/Previously Treated | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61GEDA | 3586 | Posterior Laryngeal Cleft & Tracheostomy - Stable Airway | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61NADA | 3581 | Reflux - with Esophageal Stricture | IIb | 21 | 3 |
| | 61NADB | 3582 | Reflux - without Esophageal Stricture | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61FRAA | 3580 | Peritonsillar Abscess | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61FRBB | 3584 | Removal of Tonsils and/or Adenoids - Severe OSA | IIb | 21 | 3 |
| | 61FRBA | 3583 | Removal of Tonsils and/or Adenoids - Moderate Sleep Apnea | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61FRBC | 3585 | Removal of Tonsils and/or Adenoids - with Recurrent Infection | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61FRBD | 4655 | Removal of Tonsils and/or Adenoids - Mild Sleep Apnea | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61FXAA | 3587 | Retropharyngeal & Parapharyngeal Abscess | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61GJBA | 4656 | Tracheocutaneous Fistula | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61GJBB | 4657 | Tracheal Stenosis - Respiratory Failure | Ila | 7 | 1 |
| 61GJBC | 4658 | Tracheal Stenosis - Stable or Surveillance Post Repair | III | 42 | 6 | |
| Disorders of the Head and Neck | 61EQFA | 3588 | Lymphatic Malformation - with Compromise | Ila | 7 | 1 |
| | 61EQFB | 3589 | Lymphatic Malformation - without Compromise | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61EQCD | 3590 | Malignant Neoplasm - Treatment | IIb | 21 | 3 |
| | 61EQGC | 4591 | Mycobacterial Infection - Skin Compromised | Ila | 7 | 1 |
| | 61EQGB | 3592 | Mycobacterial Infection - Otherwise | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61EQHA | 3593 | Neck Abscess | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61EQHC | 4594 | Neck Abscess - chronic or repeated infections | IIb | 21 | 3 |
| | 61EQHD | 4659 | Neck Mass - Thyroglossal, Branchial Cleft with recurring infection | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61EQIA | 3595 | Neck Mass - No Suspicion of Cancer (including Thyroglossal, Branchial Cleft, etc.) | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61FABA | 4596 | Speech Delay - Velopharyngeal Insufficiency | IV | 90 | 13 |
| 61EQCC | 3597 | Suspected Malignant Neoplasm - Diagnosis | Ila | 7 | 1 | |
| Otologic Surgery (cont next page) | 61BBAA | 3606 | Facial Paralysis | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61DKBA | 4715 | Cholesteatoma | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61DGAA | 3604 | Chronic Suppurative Otitis Media/Chronic Mastoiditis | IV | 90 | 13 |

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| Otologic Surgery (cont prev. page) | 61DGAB | 3611 | Otitis Media - with Acute Complication | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61BDAA | 3605 | Diagnostic ABR for Hearing Loss | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61DZFA | 3612 | Foreign Body - Otologic | Ila | 7 | 1 |
| | 61DFAC | 4608 | Myringotomy & Tubes for recurrent Otitis Media | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61DFAD | 4607 | Myringotomy & Tubes for Otitis Media with Effusion | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61DKAA | 4618 | Otitis Media (Recurrent) - severe | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61DKAB | 4716 | Otitis Media with Effusion - documented moderate Hearing Loss & Speech Delay | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61DLAA | 3602 | Coalescent Mastoiditis - acute | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61DZAC | 4610 | Other Congenital Ear Deformities | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61DZEA | 3603 | Auricular Abscess/Hematoma | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61DFBB | 4614 | Perforation of Tympanic Membrane | VI | 365 | 52 |
| | 61DAAA | 3616 | Preauricular Sinus - Urgent | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61DAAC | 4615 | Preauricular Sinus - Non-Urgent | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61DZBC | 4613 | Prominent Ears | VI | 365 | 52 |
| | 61DGBA | 3617 | Reconstructive Middle Ear Surgery | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61DGDA | 3619 | Rehabilitation of Conductive Hearing Loss (BAHA) | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61DRAC | 4621 | SNHL Requiring Cochlear Implant (after Meningitis) | IIb | 21 | 3 |
| | 61DRAB | 3620 | SNHL Requiring Cochlear Implant | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61DEAA | 3622 | Stenosis of the Ear Canal | V | 180 | 26 |
| Salivary Glands Disorder | 61FPCD | 3623 | Benign Tumour of Salivary Gland | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61FPAA | 3624 | Mucocele of Major Salivary Gland | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61FPBB | 4625 | Sialolithiasis | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61FPDB | 4717 | Sialorrhea Control - Aspiration with Respiratory Failure | Ila | 7 | 1 |
| | 61FPDC | 4626 | Sialorrhea Control | IV | 90 | 13 |
| Sino-Nasal Disorders | 61ETDC | 4628 | Cosmetic Nasal Deformity | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61ETAA | 3630 | Epistaxis - acute | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61ETAB | 3631 | Epistaxis - Recurrent | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61ETFB | 3634 | Foreign Body - Nasal | Ila | 7 | 1 |
| | 61ETBB | 4719 | Hypertrophied Turbinates - Causing Sleep Apnea | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61ETBA | 3632 | Hypertrophied Turbinates - Causing Nasal Obstruction | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61ETBC | 4718 | Nasal Septum - Deviated causing Sleep Apnea | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61ESAA | 3629 | Nasal Septum - Deviated | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61ETGA | 3633 | Nasal Dermoid | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61ETHA | 3635 | Nasal Fracture | Ila | 7 | 1 |
| | 61ETIA | 3636 | Nasal Polyp | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61ETJA | 3637 | Septal Hematoma or Abscess | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61ETCF | 3638 | Sino-Nasal Mass (Benign) | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61EYAB | 3639 | Sinusitis - acute | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61EYAC | 4627 | Sinusitis - chronic | IV | 90 | 13 |
| Soft Tissue and Skin | 61EQCG | 4640 | Benign Lesions (Nostril, Oral, Lip, Facial, Tongue, Ear, etc.) | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61EQDC | 4641 | Scar Revision - Functional | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61EQDD | 4642 | Scar Revision - Psychological | V | 180 | 26 |
| Miscellaneous | 61FJAA | 3598 | Ankyloglossia | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61DZDA | 3600 | EUA (ears) - Urgent | Ila | 7 | 1 |
| | 61DZDB | 3599 | EUA (ears) - Non-Urgent | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61FJBA | 4660 | Macroglossia - Severe OSA | IIb | 21 | 3 |
| | 61FJBC | 4661 | Macroglossia - Other | IV | 90 | 13 |

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| | 61EQZB | A051 | Ped Otolaryngology Other - IIa | IIa | 7 | 1 |
| | 61EQZC | A052 | Ped Otolaryngology Other - IIb | IIb | 21 | 3 |
| | 61EQZD | A053 | Ped Otolaryngology Other - III | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61EQZE | A054 | Ped Otolaryngology Other - IV | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61EQZF | A055 | Ped Otolaryngology Other - V | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61EQZG | A056 | Ped Otolaryngology Other - VI | VI | 365 | 52 |
| | 61EQZH | C050 | Ped Otolaryngology Other CANCER - I | I | 1 | 0.14 |
| | 61EQZI | C051 | Ped Otolaryngology Other CANCER - IIa | IIa | 7 | 1 |
| | 61EQZK | C053 | Ped Otolaryngology Other CANCER - III | III | 42 | 6 |
| | 61EQZL | C052 | Ped Otolaryngology Other CANCER - IIb | IIb | 21 | 3 |
| | 61EQZM | C054 | Ped Otolaryngology Other CANCER - IV | IV | 90 | 13 |
| | 61EQZN | C055 | Ped Otolaryngology Other CANCER - V | V | 180 | 26 |
| | 61EQZO | C056 | Ped Otolaryngology Other CANCER - VI | VI | 365 | 52 |

** Wait time Target in Weeks has been rounded to the nearest integer, except 1 day which equals 0.14 weeks