

MCP NEWSLETTER

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TO: ALL GENERAL SURGEONS, UROLOGISTS, GYNECOLOGISTS, AND PLASTIC SURGEONS

RE: TRANSITION-RELATED SURGERY (TRS)

Please be advised that a surgical readiness assessment at The Adult Gender Identity Clinic, The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) in Ontario is no longer required to insure transition-related surgery.

Health care professionals in Newfoundland and Labrador meeting minimum credentials as established by the World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH) **Standards of Care for the Health of Transsexual, Transgender, and Gender-Nonconforming People** Version 7 (2012) can perform surgical readiness assessments for transgender patients requiring transition-related surgery.

For transition-related surgery to be insured by MCP, a completed TRS Request for Prior Approval must be submitted and approved by MCP prior to surgery. This form includes information submitted by the patient, a physician or nurse practitioner, as well as a surgical readiness assessor(s).

For more information as well as the TRS Request for Prior Approval, please visit www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/mcp/transition_related_surgery.html

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