



Provincial Health Services Authority

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To The Radiologists of British Columbia,

RE: Insertion of Marker Clips at Time of Diagnostic Breast Core Biopsies

The BC Cancer Breast Tumour Group (BTG) is planning for the instance that breast cancer surgeries across the province may be delayed during the COVID 19 pandemic. If that situation arises, then there will be greater consideration of pre-operative (neoadjuvant) treatments to bridge the delay. Thus the BTG is strongly recommending that marker clip(s) be inserted at the time of the diagnostic breast core biopsies to limit the number of procedures and health care encounters during this period.

We truly appreciate your efforts during these challenging times.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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