

BC Renal Vascular Access Educators Committee

Terms of Reference



Category	Description
1. Purpose	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To promote excellence in the delivery of Vascular Access (VA) nursing care in BC through provincial standardized approaches to practice, educational resources, and supportive networking. 2. To make recommendations to the Hemodialysis Committee (HD) on provincial strategies for promoting equitable access to high quality, timely, patient-centred VA care.
2. Responsibilities	<p>Develops, reviews and updates provincial VA nursing related guidelines and patient education materials. Upon request of the HD Committee, develops, reviews and updates provincial VA non-nursing specific related guidelines (e.g., surgical wait times, vein preservation). Submits to the Hemodialysis (HD) Committee for approval.</p> <p>Shares strategies for implementing new and changing practices in VA nursing care within HAs.</p> <p>Serves as a conduit and provides advice to Health Authority (HA) Renal Programs and the Hemodialysis (HD) Committee on new, emerging, or unresolved VA nursing related issues.</p> <p>Actively engages in knowledge exchange and promotes standardized VA nursing practices across the BC renal network.</p> <p>Regularly reviews VA Indicator Report and (1) identifies ways to improve the quality of the data; and (2) makes recommendations to the HD Committee about potential areas for improvement in VA care.</p> <p>As requested by BC Renal Operations and/or the HD Committee, reviews VA related supplies/products/equipment (new or substitutes) and makes recommendations to the HD Committee for provincial adoption (or not) (in collaboration with the Renal Educators Group – REG).</p> <p>As requested by the HD Committee, reviews VA related incidents and makes recommendations to the HD Committee for preventing reoccurrences (in collaboration with REG).</p>
3. Deliverables	<p>New and updated provincial VA nursing related guidelines and staff and patient education materials.</p> <p>Sharing of VA related practices and initiatives at the local VA program level for the benefit of learning and expertise development of the group.</p>

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	<p>Recommendations on VA related supplies/products/equipment to the HD Committee.</p> <p>Recommendations to prevent reoccurrences of VA related incidents to the HD Committee.</p>
<p>4. Composition</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All VA Coordinators/Nurses from each BC HA (Chair is a practicing VA Nurse) • Clinical Nurse Specialist(s), with an interest in VA • Renal Educator(s), with an interest in VA • Data Quality Representative(s) • Renal Manager/Director representative • BC Renal VA Project Manager • BCR Administrative Support
<p>5. Reporting Relationships</p>	<p>Reports to and is accountable to the BC Hemodialysis (HD) Committee. Reporting occurs at HD committee meetings.</p>
<p>6. Meetings</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zoom/teleconference q 2 months • Email communications in between meetings • If resources allow, once a year face to face meeting