

Section of Neurology, Doctors of BC

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

Agenda

Location: Zoom – Virtual/On-Line Meeting

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Topic: Section of Neurology Meeting

Time: Apr 20, 2022, 7:00 PM Province Wide

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7:00 pm Land Acknowledgement

“Members of the BC Section of Neurology are grateful to live, work, and be in relation with people from across many traditional and unceded territories, covering all regions of British Columbia. We are honoured to live on this land and are committed to reconciliation, decolonization, and building relationships in our communities and schools.”

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| 7:05 pm | 1. Registration |
| | 2. Meeting Starts, introductions, acknowledge Video/Teleconference Attendees, welcome new members, remembering past members |
| | 3. Accept Minutes from last AGM, April 20, 2022 |
| 7:10 pm | 4. Dr. Sam Bugis – Doctors of BC |
| 7:30 pm | 5. Treasurer’s report – see appendix A |
| 7:35 pm | 6. Business Arising: |

a. New fee code requests outstanding:

-  Complex Telephone originated patient review.docx
-  DMT for PNS Fee Neurology.docx
-  Allied Health Report Fee.docx
-  Pediatric Development Assessment Fee.docx
-  Acute Deterioration Fee.docx

b. Response to status query

Status of new fee code requests:

From: Shen, Lei HLTH:EX <Lei.Shen@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: September 26, 2022 9:30 AM

To: Raaj Tiagi <rtiagi@doctorsofbc.ca>

Subject: RE: Neurology fee request

Hi Raaj,

MSP received the application, with other three 04-1-33(21), 04-1-34(21) and 04-1-35(21), but hasn’t started the review yet.

Due to other priorities and shortage of staff, we are quite behind the schedule. Unlikely, MSP can complete the review by the end of this year.

Thank you for the section’s patience.

Lei Shen
MSP Payment Schedule Manager
Compensation Policy and Programs Branch
Health Sector Workforce and Beneficiary Services Division
Ministry of Health
P.O. Box 9649 | Victoria BC V8W 9P4
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- a. **Annual dues** - \$600/yr. Increased for “war chest.” Please support your section and support the Society of Specialists as well, as this group lobbies hard for specialists.

b. **Membership numbers**

Total FFS Neurologists registered CPSBC	157
number FTE neurologists in BC	117
Paid Section Dues 2023	81
Paid Section Dues 2023 + Paid 2023 Assessment	72
Paid Section Dues 2023 not Paid 2023 Assessment	9
Not Paid Section Dues 2023 but Paid 2023 Assessment	39

7:45 pm

7. New Business:

- a. **Dr. Rob Carruthers** representative Neurology on SBC council and Representative Assembly
- b. **Dr. Torin Glass** results of recent survey

7:50 pm

8. New Physician Master Agreement, regular fee increases \$70M for disparity correction.

- a. Regular fee increase ~\$2.4M over two years. Applied ~40% to 00410, further increases to follow up fees, increase EEG fee, relax some restrictions on cognitive and movement disorder quantitative testing, increase CNS DMD monitoring, and increase complex follow up, no new fees allowed with this:

		Current Fee	New Fee 1	New Fee 2		
00406	Directive care - Neurology	\$91	\$102	\$105		
00407	Visit - Office - Neurology	\$88	\$90	\$96		
00408	Visit - Hospital - Neurology	\$92	\$100	\$100		
00410	Consultation - Neurology	\$182	\$189	\$190		
00415	Electroencephalogram and interpretation	\$128	\$144	\$144		
00416	Electroencephalogram - interpretation	\$49	\$65	\$65		
00457	Complex Care - Extended Visit - per 15 min	\$40	\$50	\$50		
00470	Telehealth Consultation - Neurology	\$182	\$189	\$192		
00478	Telehealth subsequent hospital visit - Neurology	\$92	\$100	\$100		
00480	DMT management for active inflammatory	\$153	\$170	\$170		
00487	Detailed cognitive assessment by Behavior	\$51	\$51	\$51	6%	these increases based on
00488	Detailed cognitive assessment - extra	\$51	\$51	\$51	7%	reducing limitations
00491	Detailed Parkinson's disease quantitative r	\$66	\$66	\$66	8%	not increasing
00492	Detailed Parkinson's disease quantitative r	\$66	\$66	\$66	9%	actual fee

8:00 pm

b. Disparity correction – complex, decided on section allocation by submission to an arbitrator. Section requested professional consultant (MNP).

- Discussion on mechanics
- How to allocate disparity funds?
- correct section disparity

- address gender disparity

c. Presentations on specific fee edits or requests

8:45 pm 9. Section Neurology Executive – 2023/2024 – vote to approve

President - Dr. Rob Carruthers
Vice-president - Dr. Olinka Hrebicek
Treasurer - Dr. Galina Vorobeychik
Secretary - Dr. Torin Glass
Economics rep - Dr. Ana-Luiza Sayao
Executive rep at large:
- Dr. Nikkie Randhawa
- Dr. Lee Lau
- Dr. Kara Nedd

a. Continue to submit & monitor fee proposals
(Albeit disappointingly slow <that is the process, not Dr.)

b. Continued Section representation on APP

c. Field enquiries and correspondence on behalf section,
neurologists interested in BC, sectional complaints, neurology in
SSC

d. Built and maintained BCneurologists.ca website

g. Based on workload last year and expected workload coming
year, recommending \$35,000 annual president's stipend, \$2,500
Treasurer stipend, \$1,000 each other exec member stipend.

8:55 pm

10. **New business from the floor.**

9:00 pm 11. **Adjourn**

Members who have not joined the section of neurology for 2023:

Pay section dues when renewing your DoBC annual dues

OR

Mail check \$600 made out to BC Section of Neurology to:

Dr. Galina Vorobeychik

Neurology, Burnaby Hospital, 3935 Kincaid St,

Burnaby, BC, V5G 2X6

Appendix A – Financials Section of Neurology April 22, 2020

Income Statement

BC Neurologists	
April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023	
Income	
Membership Dues	\$73,900
Interest on Bank Account	\$1,458
Special Assessment	\$42,565
Net income	\$117,923
Expenses	
President's Stipend	\$35,000
Treasurer's Stipend	\$2,500
Executive Stipends	\$6,000
Web maintenance expenses	\$2,100
Forefronts	\$1,750
	\$47,350
Total Expenses	\$47,350
Net Profit (Loss)	\$70,573

Assets and Liabilities

Bank Balance April 1, 2022	\$33,639
Net Profit (Loss)	\$70,573
Bank Balance March 31, 2023	\$104,212

Notes: Disparity Consultant estimated \$20K to \$40K unpaid as yet