Title: DRUG REACTION MANAGEMENT--PHYSICIAN COVERAGE DURING DELIVERY OF SELECTED SYSTEMIC THERAPY DRUGS

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Reason for Directive
To ensure safe management of drug reactions arising during parenteral systemic antineoplastic drugs.

Directive
Parenteral drugs on the BC Cancer Benefit List will be assigned a duration of time when a physician or nurse practitioner needs to be on site, based on a review of the risk of drug reactions by the Provincial Pharmacy with input from the relevant Tumour Group physicians, nurses and pharmacists. This information will be presented in a separate appendix document to be updated with each new addition of parenteral drugs on the Benefit List.

When the drugs listed in the appendix (see separate document) are given, a physician must remain on site for the following durations after initiation (i.e. from the start of the infusion) of each treatment unless otherwise specified. The duration of coverage is based on recommendation from the Tumour Group with input from Medical Oncology, Pharmacy and Nursing.