

CENTER OF EXCELLENCE IN BENIGN PROSTATIC HYPERPLASIA TREATMENT

In partnership with key opinion leaders and industry professionals, SRC developed the Center of Excellence in Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia Treatment (COEBPH) program. The COEBPH program identifies urologists and facilities worldwide performing benign prostatic hyperplasia procedures and achieving defined standards for patient safety and care quality.



PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

1. INSTITUTIONAL COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE

The applicant facility is committed to excellence in benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH) and has credentialing and privileging guidelines for urology.

2. SURGICAL EXPERIENCE

The applicant facility (can include outpatient or office) performs at least 150 qualifying BPH procedures annually. Each applicant urologist serves as the primary operator for at least 125 qualifying BPH procedures annually and 175 qualifying BPH procedures in their lifetime.

3. PHYSICIAN PROGRAM DIRECTOR

The applicant facility must appoint a Physician Program Director for the COEBPH program within the Department of Urology who is accredited or in the process of becoming accredited.

4. CONSULTATIVE SERVICES

The applicant facility must have a full complement of consultative services required for the routine and intensive care of BPH patients and their potential complications including: anesthesiologist or CRNA, ACLS-certified physician or team, critical care specialist, cardiologist, oncologist, vascular urologist and a mental health specialist.

5. EQUIPMENT AND INSTRUMENTS

The applicant facility must maintain a full line of equipment and surgical instruments to provide perioperative care for BPH patients and have documented training for appropriate staff in the safe operation of this equipment.

6. UROLOGIST DEDICATION AND QUALIFIED CALL COVERAGE

Each applicant urologist has privileges in urology at the applicant facility, is board-certified or an active candidate for board certification in urology and has qualified call coverage. Each applicant completes at least 12 hours of CME focused on urology every three years.

7. CLINICAL PATHWAYS AND STANDARDIZED OPERATING PROCEDURES

Applicants formally develop and implement all required clinical pathways that facilitate the standardization of perioperative care for BPH procedures. Applicants perform each surgical procedure in a standardized manner and use a template for operative note dictation that ensures proper collection of data for surgical procedures.

8. SURGICAL TEAM AND SUPPORT STAFF

The applicant facility employs a program coordinator, nurses and/or physician extenders and an operative team trained to care for BPH patients and provides ongoing, regularly scheduled staff education in-services.

9. PATIENT EDUCATION

The facility and each applicant urologist provide all BPH procedure patients with preoperative patient education, have a process for obtaining informed surgical consent and selecting procedures that are most appropriate for each patient's condition.

10. CONTINUOUS QUALITY ASSESSMENT

All applicants must collect prospective outcomes data on all patients who undergo BPH procedures in SRC's Outcomes Database (or a similar qualifying database).

This is a summarized list of program requirements which is subject to change. For additional information, please contact SRC by emailing businessdevelopment@surgicalreview.org or calling 919.614.2623.