

## Medical Services Commission Temporary Moratorium on Home Sleep Apnea Testing Facility Applications

The Medical Services Commission of British Columbia has established a moratorium on applications for stand-alone outpatient home sleep apnea testing (HSAT) facilities across the province.

This moratorium is intended to support the Medical Services Commission's Advisory Committee on Diagnostic Facilities and its supporting staff in their work to better understand the impact of the province's recent <u>additional investment in diagnostic sleep testing</u>.

The moratorium on applications for stand-alone outpatient home sleep apnea testing facilities was effective January 1, 2022 and remains in effect until December 31, 2026.

This moratorium applies to all applications for new, relocated or expanded stand-alone HSAT facilities in British Columbia and may be lifted or extended at the discretion of the Medical Services Commission.

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Regards,

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