

# PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE BULLETIN

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Practice Requirements (supplementary to PPB-2020-GEN-001, issued April 2020):

ASTTBC registrants are advised to:

- Stay abreast of all current directives and any province-wide restrictions issued by the Provincial Health Authorities and the Federal Government with regards to COVID-19.
- Follow the guidelines provided by BC Center of Disease Control and WorkSafe BC, where applicable.
- All registrants must also follow any published standards of practice or practice guides published by ASTTBC.
- Where practice may be affected due to COVID-19 protocols, ASTTBC registrants must ensure they clearly understand these protocols. When this is not the case, registrants must seek clarification from the authorities having jurisdiction (AHJ) prior to performing services. Situations which endanger public and life safety or cause harm to the environment shall be communicated to the proper AHJ(s) without delay.
- Where working outside of BC, follow any jurisdictional and public orders in effect.

In BC, services declared essential currently remain unchanged and constitute many of the professional services provided by ASTTBC registered technologists, technicians, and technical specialists. Registrants must ensure compliance to published industry practice standards when working remotely or at the workplace/worksite.

For more information:

For more information, please refer to the following links:

For more information on workplace safety and industry specific protocols in relation to Covid-19, visit: <https://www.worksafebc.com/en/about-us/covid-19-updates/health-and-safety>

For more information on non-medical issues like travel recommendations and how to manage social isolation, visit: [www.gov.bc.ca/COVID-19](http://www.gov.bc.ca/COVID-19)

For recommendations on protecting yourself and your community, including for employers and businesses, visit: [http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/coronavirus-\(novel\)](http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/coronavirus-(novel))

For the COVID-19 pandemic preparedness and planning materials, visit: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/about-bc-s-health-care-system/office-of-the-provincial-health-officer/current-health-topics/pandemic-influenza>.

For more information and latest medical updates on COVID-19 including any recommendations for personal protective equipment and masks, follow the BC Centre for Disease Control on Twitter @CDCofBC or visit its website: <http://www.bccdc.ca/>

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