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# BREAST CANCER SYNOPTIC OPERATIVE REPORT TEMPLATE (BREAST CANCER SURGERY CHECKLIST)

The Breast Cancer Synoptic Operative Report Template (Breast Cancer Surgery Checklist) was developed through the Surgical Oncology Network's Breast Surgical Tumour Group in collaboration with surgeons across BC and with medical and radiation oncologists. Information from the operative report is extracted and collected by the Breast Cancer Outcomes Unit at the BC Cancer Agency. Dictating the information on this template will enable all relevant information to be captured reliably, accurately and consistently.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

There are two ways to dictate from this template:

#### 1. Summary Report

- Consists of 18 essential data elements (#1-3; 6-9; 11-16; 18; 20; 22-23; 26) followed by narrative report
- Dictate all items in red as a list before your narrative report
- Specify element number, name and response (eq. 1. Indication: Primary Treatment)
- For patients with bilateral breast cancer, please dictate 18 essential data elements for each cancer side

#### 2. Complete Report

- Consists of all 28 data elements and replaces the traditional narrative report
- Dictate all items as a list
- Specify element number, name and response (eq. 1. Indication: Primary Treatment)
- For patients with bilateral breast cancer, please dictate all 28 data elements for each cancer side

#### **ACRONYMS**

ALND - Axillary Lymph Node Dissection LCIS - Lobular Carcinoma In Situ

BCS - Breast Conserving Surgery MMO - Mammography

DCIS - Ductal Carcinoma In Situ SLNB - Sentinel Lymph Node Biopsy

DIEP - Deep Inferior Epigastric Perforators TRAM - Trans-Rectus Abdominis Muscle

FNA - Fine Needle Biopsy US - Ultrasound

#### **SAMPLE OPERATIVE REPORT**

CLINICAL PREAMBLE: As appropriate

- 1. Indication: Primary Treatment
- 2. Preop Biopsy: Core by radiology
- 3. Preop Diagnosis: Invasive Carcinoma
- 4. Preop Stage: 2cm tumour right breast with nodes clinically negative
- 5. Neoadjuvant Therapy: None
- 6. Breast Procedure: Partial mastectomy
- 7. Indication for total mastectomy: Not applicable, BCS done
- 8. Reconstruction: Not applicable, BCS done
- 9. Localization: Wire localization
- 10. Incision: lateral to tumour at wire site
- 11. Intraoperative confirmation of lesion removal: Yes, Xray
- 12. Clips marking site: Yes
- 13. Specimen orientation: Yes
- 14. Additional margin tissue taken: Yes, superior and medial
- 15. Pectoral fascia removed: Yes
- 16. Anterior breast tissue remaining: No, skin remaining
- 17. Additional Notes on Breast Procedure: no more medial tissue
- 18. Axillary procedure: SLNB
- 19. Axillary Incision Location: Axillary skin crease incision
- 20. Sentinel node technique: Technetium and blue dye
- 21. Internal Mammary Radioactivity: No
- 22. Number of Submitted sentinel nodes: 2
- 23. Indication for ALND: Not applicable, SLNB done
- 24. Structures Identified and Preserved: Not applicable, SLNB done
- 26. Unplanned events/complications: None
- 27. Drain: No
- 28. Closure: Skin closure breast and axilla with subcuticular stitch

FOLLOWUP: the patient will return to the office to review results in 2 weeks and then will be referred for adjuvant treatment.

#### **CLINICAL PREAMBLE**

Dictate as appropriate. May include details such as marking, antibiotics, DVT, Location of sentinel node dye injection, radiology results, metastatic workup

#### A. PREOPERATIVE RATIONALE FOR **SURGERY**

#### 1. Indication

- a. Primary treatment
- b. Re-excision for positive margins after
- c. Completion of mastectomy after initial BCS
- d. Additional axillary surgery after identification of invasive disease
- e. Locally recurrent
- f. 2nd primary
- g. Prophylactic
- h. Palliative as part of relapse
- i. Palliative for initial diagnosis
- j. Unknown
- k. Other (specify)

#### 2. Preoperative Biopsy

- a. Core biopsy Radiology
- b. Core biopsy Surgeon
- c. FNA Radiology
- d. FNA Surgeon
- e. Open / surgical biopsy (imaging biopsy NOT TECHNICALLY POSSIBLE)
- f. Open/surgical biopsy (imaging biopsy- EQUIPMENT NOT AVAILABLE)
- g. Surgical biopsy following suspicious lesion on needle biopsy
- h. None

#### 3. Preoperative Diagnosis (pathology)

- a. Invasive carcinoma
- b. DCIS
- c. Phylloides
- d. Pagets
- e. LCIS
- f. Other (specify)

#### 4. Preoperative Stage (Narrative)

Dictate as appropriate. May include details such as: size \_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_(exam, US, MRI or MMO), location, mulicentric/ multifocal. distant mets, etc.

#### 5. Neoadiuvant Treatment

- a. Chemotherapy
- b. Radiotherapy
- c. Hormone therapy
- d. Chemo and radiation therapy
- e. Hormone and radiation therapy
- f. None

#### **B. OPERATIVE DETAILS: BREAST**

# **6. Breast Procedure** (select all that apply)

- a. Partial mastectomy/ BCS / Wide local excision
- b. BCS with oncoplastic approach
- c. Total mastectomy
- d. Skin sparing mastectomy (with recon)
- e. Nipple sparing mastectomy (with recon)
- f. Contralateral prophylactic mastectomy
- g. None (if none, please dictate "7-17 items not applicable" then continue with item 18)

#### 7. Indication for Total Mastectomy

- a. Tumour too large for size of breast
- b. Multicentric
- c. Margins positive
- d. Margins close (<2mm)
- e. Contraindication to radiotherapy
- f. Previous cancer
- g. Patient preference
- h. Patient unable to access radiotherapy
- i. Recurrence
- i. Not applicable, BCS done
- k. Other (specify)

#### 8. Reconstruction

- a. Not planned
- b. Delayed reconstruction desired
- c. Immediate recon. desired, but not available
- d. Tissue expander
- e. DIEP
- f. Permanent implant with bioprosthesis
- a. TRAM
- h. Not applicable, BCS done
- i. Other (specify)

#### 9. Localization

- a. None
- b. Palpable
- c. Wire localization
- d. Intraoperative ultrasound
- e. Not applicable, mastectomy done
- f. Other (specify)

#### 10. Incision and its relation to tumour

- a. Radial
- b. Circumareolar
- c. Curvilinear
- interior/medial/lateral) to tumour
- f. Not applicable, mastectomy done

# Removal

- a. Yes, specify method (palpation/MMO/US/ Xray)
- b. No
- c. Not applicable, mastectomy done

#### 12. Clips Marking Site after BCS

- a. Yes
- b. No
- c. Not applicable, mastectomy done

#### 13. Specimen Orientation

- a. Yes
- b. No

#### 14. Additional Margin Tissue Taken and **Submitted Separately**

- a. No
- b. Yes, specify(superior/inferior/medial/ lateral/ deep/superficial/ nipple)
- c. Not applicable, mastectomy done
- d. Other (specify)

#### 15. Pectoral Fascia Removed

- a. Yes
- b. No

#### 16. Anterior Breast Tissue Remaining

- b. No, skin removed
- c. No, skin remaining

#### 17. Additional Notes on Breast Procedure (Narrative)

Dictate as appropriate. May include details such as: chest wall taken, issues with wires, core biopsy site excised, details of oncoplastic reconstruction with lumpectomy, etc.

#### C. OPERATIVE DETAILS: AXILLA

#### 18. Axillary Procedure

- a. SLNB only
- b. ALND only (sampling of nodes)
- c. ALND only (complete level 1 & 2 clearance)
- d. ALND (sampling of nodes) after previous SLNB
- e. ALND (complete level 1 & 2 clearance) after previous SLNB
- f. SLNB & ALND (sampling of nodes)
- g. SLNB & ALND (complete level 1 & 2 clearance)
- h. None (if none, please dictate "19-25 items not applicable" then continue with item 26)

### 19. Axillary Incision Location

- a. Mastectomy

#### 20. Sentinel Node Biopsy Technique

- a. Technetium
- b. Blue dye
- c. Technetium & blue dye
- d. Not applicable, ALND done
- e. Other (specify)

#### 21. Internal Mammary Radioactivity and Method of Detection

- a. Yes, specify method of detection (lymphosyntigraphy/intraop gamma probe evaluation)
- c. Not applicable, ALND done

#### 22. Specify Number of SUBMITTED Sentinel Nodes

#### 23. Indication for ALND (select all that apply)

- a. Preoperative positive node
- b. Intraoperative positive node
- c. Other intraoperative findings
- d. Previous positive sentinel node
- e. Does not meet sentinel node criteria (eg T3/ T4 tumour, pregnant)
- f. SLNB not available
- g. SLNB non mapping (unsuccessful)
- h. Too many sentinel nodes detected
- Patient preferences
- i. Not applicable, SLNB done

#### 24. Structures Identified and Preserved

(select all that apply)

- a. Thoracodorsal nerve
- b. Long thoracic nerve
- c. Number of intercostal brachial nerves
- d. Medial pectoral nerve e. Axillary vein
- f. Not applicable, SLNB done
- g. Other (specify)

### 25. Additional Notes on Axillary Surgery (Narrative)

Dictate as appropriate. May include details such as: abnormal axillary anatomy, etc.

## D. PROCEDURE COMPLETION

# 26. Unplanned Events/Complications

- a. None
- b. Describe, if occurred

#### 27. Drain

- a. Yes, specify (axilla; below mastectomy incision medial/lateral; placed plastics)
- b. No

### 28. Closure (Narrative)

Dictate as appropriate. May include details such as: incision closure, closure by plastics, sponge and instrument counts, etc.

FOLLOW UP: As appropriate

- d. Elliptical e. Overlying tumour or (superior/

# 11. Intraoperative Confirmation of Lesion

- b. Axillary
- c. Other (specify)