

## **Hospital-only Medical Procedures**

*(Reproduced from the Code of Practice for Day Procedure Centres)*

Pursuant to section 103 of the *Private Healthcare Facilities Ordinance* (Cap. 633), the Director of Health specifies the following medical procedures that may only be carried out in a hospital:

- (a) Administration of chemotherapy (cytotoxic) into body cavity or deep-seated organ;
- (b) Core biopsy of (i) intracranial organ or intracranial tumour; (ii) intrathoracic organ or intrathoracic tumour; (iii) intraperitoneal organ or intraperitoneal tumour; or (iv) retroperitoneal organ or retroperitoneal tumour;<sup>1</sup>
- (c) Transarterial catheterisation or deep venous catheterisation;
- (d) Continuous veno-venous haemofiltration or continuous veno-venous haemodiafiltration;
- (e) Organ transplant [except corneal transplant] or complicated transplant procedures;
- (f) Bronchoscopy or pleuroscopy;
- (g) Therapeutic gastrointestinal endoscopy for children aged under 12 years old;
- (h) Injection of sclerosing/embolisation agents into vascular/lymphatic compartment of deep-seated head and neck region;
- (i) Blood transfusion;
- (j) Radiotherapy for children aged under 18 years old;
- (k) Frame-based stereotactic radiosurgery;
- (l) Intra-operative radiotherapy;
- (m) Total body irradiation;
- (n) Half body irradiation;
- (o) Total skin electron beam treatment;
- (p) Brachytherapy; and
- (q) Radionuclide therapy, except (i) iodine-131 therapy for thyrotoxicosis up to 400MBq; (ii) radium-223 therapy for advanced prostate cancer; and (iii) radiosynoviorthesis therapy

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<sup>1</sup> For core biopsy of (ii), (iii) or (iv) by means of endoscopic procedure, unless otherwise specified in the list of Hospital-only Medical Procedures, it is not regarded as a Hospital-only Medical Procedure.