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		Otolaryngology- Head & Neck Surgery	Dermatology	Ophthalmology	Plastic Surgery	
1.	Abdominoplasty/Tummy Tuck				✓	
2.	Belly Button Surgery/Umbilicoplasty				✓	General Surgery
3.	Blepharoplasty/Eyelid Surgery	✓		✓	✓	Dermatology
4.	Brachioplasty (Arm Lift)				✓	
5.	Breast implant/Augmentation				✓	
6.	Breast Lift/Mastopexy				✓	
7.	Breast Reduction (Female)				✓	
8.	Breast Reduction (Male)				✓	
9.	Browlift/Endoscopic Browlift/Forehead Lift	✓		✓ ²	✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ophthalmology • Dermatology
10.	Buttock Implant				✓	

¹ The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC) is the national professional association that oversees the medical education of specialists in Canada. The Royal College is dedicated to setting the highest standards in postgraduate medical education — through national certification examinations and lifelong learning programs — and to promoting sound health policy.

² Ophthalmology residents are able to perform *direct* browlifts after residency training.

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11.	Buttock Lift				✓	
12.	Calf Implant				✓	
13.	Cheek Implant/Cheek Bone Surgery (excluding injectables)	✓			✓	
14.	Chin Surgery/Genioplasty	✓			✓	
15.	Correction Breast Symmetry				✓	
16.	Correction Inverted Nipples				✓	
17.	Deep Chemical Peels ⁽ⁱ⁾ (See Endnotes)	✓	✓		✓	Ophthalmology
18.	Dermabrasion ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	✓	✓		✓	Ophthalmology
19.	EVLV (veins) ⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dermatology ● Radiology ● Vascular Surgery
20.	Fat Implant/Fat Injection, including harvesting	✓			✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ophthalmology ● Dermatology

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21.	Injections of substances for the purpose of causing lysis of fat or altering body contour - LIMITED to FACE & NECK ^(iv)	✓	✓		✓	
22.	Hair Restoration Surgery ^(v)	✓	✓		✓	
23.	Hymenoplasty (hymen repair)					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obstetrics and Gynecology • Plastic Surgery
24.	Labiaplasty/Labia Reduction					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obstetrics and Gynecology • Plastic Surgery
25.	Laryngoplasty	✓				
26.	Laser Skin Resurfacing (ablative) ^(vi)	✓	✓		✓	Ophthalmology
27.	Lip Implant (permanent) ^(vii)	✓	✓		✓	
28.	Liposuction - <i>limited to Head, Neck and Face</i> – All Types: Suction Assisted; Ultrasonic, Power Assisted, Laser Assisted, Smart Lipo	✓			✓	Dermatology
29.	Liposuction – <i>Body</i>				✓	Dermatology

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30.	Lower Body Lift				✓	
31.	Malarplasty	✓			✓	
32.	Mid Face Lift	✓			✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ophthalmology • Dermatology
33.	Neck Lift	✓			✓	
34.	Pectoral Implant				✓	
35.	Penis Augmentation/Penis Enlargement/Phalloplasty					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plastic Surgery • Urology
36.	Rhinoplasty/Nose Job	✓			✓	
37.	Rhinophyma – Repair & Reduction	✓	✓		✓	
38.	Rhytidectomy/Face Lift	✓			✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dermatology • Ophthalmology
39.	Scalp Surgery – Reduction ^(viii)	✓			✓	Dermatology
40.	Setback Otoplasty (excluding torn earlobes)	✓			✓	Ophthalmology

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41.	Suture Face Lift/Thread Lift	✓	✓ ³		✓	Ophthalmology
42.	Thigh Lift/Thighplasty				✓	
43.	Vaginoplasty					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obstetrics and Gynecology • Plastic Surgery

End Notes: (i) to (viii) - Physicians without a surgical background and/or those whose specialties are not trained in these procedures are not required to have one year of core surgery training in order to perform the following procedures: Deep Chemical Peels, Dermabrasion, EVLT (veins), Injections of substances for the purpose of causing lysis of fat or altering body contour, Hair Restoration Surgery, Ablative Laser Skin Resurfacing, Lip Implant, and Scalp Surgery – Reduction. They may, however, be required to complete the remainder of the training outlined in the Framework document. Each situation would be assessed on an *individual basis*.

³ Dermatology – New devices are coming on the market, which simplifies the performance of this procedure; dermatologists will be able to perform this procedure using these new devices.