



Standard of Practice: Preventing Female Genital Mutilation

CMLTA

The Government of Alberta has banned the performance and procurement of female genital mutilation and as such, MLTs:

1. Must not perform or procure female genital mutilation (FGM) as defined by the *Health Professions Act* Section 1(1)(m.1) as:

“the excision, infibulation or mutilation, in which whole or part, of the labia majora, labia minora, clitoral hood or clitoris of a person, except where valid consent is given, and

A surgical or other procedure is performed by a regulated member under this Act for the benefit of the physical health of the person or for the purpose of that person having normal reproductive functions normal sexual appearance or function, or

The person is at least 18 years of age and there is no resulting bodily harm”

2. Must promptly report the conduct of any health professional that they have reasonable grounds to believe is participating in the performance or procurement of FGM to the Complaints Director of that health professional’s college.
3. Are not required to report under section 2 of this Standard if information respecting the conduct of another regulated health professional was obtained while providing a health service to that individual.