# Directory Listing Naming Convention - PHSA Standards

## Title for a Location (Clinics, Ambulatory Departments, Units, Pharmacies, Labs, etc) Listing

In directory listings for a **Location**, names are structured to include the official name, and any pertinent descriptors or geographical identifiers, enhancing the distinctiveness and accessibility of each location. Ensuring clarity in these listings helps patients and providers identify the most appropriate clinics for their needs.

A **Location** is term that refers to a physical space that health care provider(s) provide care. A **Health Delivery Site**, in PLR terms, is essentially an entity that provides health care services. For e.g. a **clinic**, **a lab**, **a pharmacy**, **hospital** etc. are all health delivery sites. They can be further categorized as the type of health delivery site: clinic, hospital, lab, pharmacy.

Name Part	Required/ Optional	Description	Example	Guidance	
		Location (e.g. Business		Adherence to:	
Location Name	Required	or Common name if location has a well known or "doing business as" name. Example: This is useful if the "Location" business operating name is a	or Audiology Clinic - SPH or The Wellness Clinic (Business name is 763534 BC Inc)	<ul> <li><u>https://www.cpsbc.ca/files/pdf/PSG-Use-of-Clinic-Names.pdf</u></li> <li>Should always include a Location Type from the Location Type List (e.g. "Clinic", "Lab" etc)</li> <li>Added Suffixes may also be needed, see table below</li> </ul>	



# Location Listing - Added Suffixes and Differentiators

### Select any that apply

Component	Required/ Optional	Description	Example	Guidance
Hospital-based Location Descriptor	Required if	Clinic is related to B.C. Hospital	ambulatory department at St Paul's Hospital	B.C. MoH Hospital Short Code preferred, Short Name or Full Name from Reference List
Geographic Area/Orientation Descriptor	Optional	Additional geographical information (if relevant). These could be Municipal Regions or Directional Indicators	Covid-19 Testing Clinic - Burnaby	Geographic Area/Orientation List: (e.g. Municipal Regions or Community: Downtown, Vancouver, DTES)
Provider	Intional	Specific Provider (by Provider request)	Glass Skin Clinic - Dr. Maggy Oz	Provider Name (See below) Only <u>one</u> Provider should be used.
Differentiating Descriptor / Other	Optional		Vancouver Nephro Clinic - Pike Place (e.g. Pike Place is the building) or Vancouver Nephro Clinic - Residence (e.g. Residence is the building)	





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# Naming Conventions: Directory listing Title for a Provider

In constructing names for a directory listing for an **Individual Provider**, we combine professional titles, full names, and relevant credentials or specialties, allowing for added suffixes and differentiators to accurately reflect each provider's qualifications and areas of expertise. Clarity in naming and presentation is crucial for ensuring patients can easily identify and select the appropriate healthcare providers for their needs.

**Note:** In cases where providers have the same name and designations listing details such as address and website will be used to differentiate between providers. Suggest adding additional details to the directory listing if this situation is known.

Definition from PLR:

An **Individual Provider** is a term which refers to any licensed individual (as per current state) acting in a health role, including physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and others.

Name Part	Required/Optional	Description	Example	Guidance
Professional Designation Prefix	Required	Professional honorific or title	Dr.	"Professional Designation" Short Code from Reference List
First Name	Required	Provider's first name	John	
Middle Name(s)	Optional	Provider's middle name(s) or initials	A.	
Last Name	Required	Provider's last name	Doe	
Professional Suffix	Optional	Professional qualifications	MD, PhD, R.N.	"Professional Qualifications" Short Code from Reference List
Common Name	Required when Provider has more than one Name	Differentiator. Such as a common	Oz (short for Ozman)	

Examples: General Practitioner Physician, Cardiologist, Registered Nurse





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# Naming Conventions: Organization Title

Name Part	Required/Optional	Description	Example	Guidance	
		The legal name of the		For Public Organizations: Full	
Organization	Required	Organization to	St. Paul's	Organizational Provider Name	
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		Listing belongs.		Organizational Provider List	
		Organization Title Exc	amples		
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# Naming Conventions: Prohibited Uses in a Title

- No Impersonation: Using a similar provider's name. A differentiator should be used
- **No Advertising:** Advertising that uses clinic names in a way that could mislead patients or uses promotional slogans or advertising
- No Derogatory Statements: Clinic names must not be used in derogatory or defamatory content



