Unit Name  V3 West Cedar Crest

Unit Location  3rd Floor, Camp Hill Veterans Memorial Building

Program Long Term Care for Veterans

Nova Scotia Health Authority Veteran Service Profile

The purpose of this Profile is to provide Nurses with an overview of each service area.

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complex holistic care and palliative care. In order to provide care we work in a team environment. RNs are in leadership roles so have opportunity to develop and enhance their leadership capabilities and skills.

### Average Patient Age Range
- Average age is 91. Age ranges from 80’s to over 100.

### Nursing Model of Care
- Primary Nursing: **X**
- Team Nursing: ____
- Other: ____
- Total Patient Care: ____
- Modified Total Patient Care: ____
- Other:

#### Systems

### Medication System
- Traditional: ____
- Unit Dosage: **X**
- Other: ____
- Other:

### Scheduling
- Manager: ____
- Self: **X**

### Average Number of Staff per Shift
- Days: RN 2, LPN 4, CTA on a need be basis
- Evenings: RN 1, LPN 4, CTA on a need be basis
- Nights: RN 1, LPN 1, CTA 0

### Service Hours
- 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

### Length of Shift
- 8hr: **X**
- 12 hr: **X**
- Other: ____
- Other:

#### Staff

### Staff Mix
- RN: **30%**
- LPN: **70%**
- CTA: ____

### Physician Coverage
- On Call: ____
- On Site: ____
- N/A: ____
- Other: **X**

Physician visits twice a week and covers by phone Mon – Fri. On Call coverage after hours, weekends and holidays.
| Multidisciplinary Team Members | Recreation Therapy, OT, PT, Social Work, Palliative Care, Spiritual Care, Unit Aide, Unit Clerk, Housekeeping, Dietary Hostess |

**Required Skills, Qualifications & Experience**

**RN**  
*Registered Nurses provide professional nursing services, deliver health education programs and provide consultative nursing services to promote, maintain and restore patient health.*

- **Responsibilities**  
  RN is in Charge of the Unit and also there is an Associate RN to support the Charge Nurse. Responsible for Veterans requiring complex care. Rounds with physician. Assigning workload and delegation of tasks as required. Decision making, responsible for complex care Veterans.

- **Skills Required**  
  Experience with the elderly in the LTC setting, Dementia Education, Physical Assessment skills, Palliative Care, Leadership, On occasion: Blood transfusions, IV therapy, venipuncture

- **Additional Responsibilities**  
  RN provides care to 2 – 3 Veterans within her group. Physically demanding at times requiring proper body mechanics and knowledge of mechanical lifts and other aids to assist mobility

- **Additional License/Certification/Education required**  
  Must be registered with the College of Registered Nurses of Nova Scotia  
  Dementia Education, Non Violent Crisis Intervention (NVCI), Geriatric Certification an asset
  
  There are numerous opportunities to expand knowledge through education. We offer dementia education, including the provincial Alzheimer Disease and other Dementia Care Course and NVCI here onsite amongst numerous other programs to support staff in learning and development.

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