



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.

<u>General Information</u>	
Service	Long Term Care for Veterans
Site	Camp Hill, Veterans Memorial Building
Brief description of the Unit	25 Room Dementia Care Unit Private rooms, some with shared and private bathrooms
Unit Orientation	Orientation is customized to meet the needs of the new employee
Number of Beds	25 residents

<u>Patient Care</u>	
Patient Population	Veteran Centered Care in a home like environment. Current population is WW 2 or Korean War Veterans who meet the Veterans Affairs Canada criteria for admission to Veterans Services. The Veterans live at Camp Hill, some for extended periods of time, so staff develop long and close relationships with them and their families that are very satisfying. The majority of the Veterans are living with dementia, as well as other health conditions, providing opportunities to provide

	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: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Team Nursing: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Total Patient Care: <input type="checkbox"/> Modified Total Patient Care: <input type="checkbox"/> Other:

<u>Systems</u>	
Medication System	Traditional: <input type="checkbox"/> Unit Dosage: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Other:
Scheduling	Manager: <input type="checkbox"/> Self: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Average Number of Staff per Shift	Days: RN <u>2</u> LPN <u>4</u> CTA <u>on a need be basis</u> Evenings: RN <u>1</u> LPN <u>4</u> CTA <u>on a need be basis</u> Nights: RN <u>1</u> LPN <u>1</u> CTA <u>0</u>
Service Hours	24 hours a day, 7 days a week
Length of Shift	8hr: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12 hr: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Other:

<u>Staff</u>	
Staff Mix	RN: <u>30</u> % LPN: <u>70</u> % CTA: <u>0</u> %
Physician Coverage	On Call: <input type="checkbox"/> On Site: <input type="checkbox"/> N/A: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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
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<u>Required Skills, Qualifications & Experience</u>	
RN <i>Registered Nurses provide professional nursing services, deliver health education programs and provide consultative nursing services to promote, maintain and restore patient health.</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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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