



Unit Name Offender Health Unit

Unit Location Northeast Nova Scotia Correctional Facility

Program Mental Health And Addiction

Nova Scotia Health Authority Outpatient Service Profile

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

<u>General Information</u>	
Service	Offender Health Service
Site	Northeast Nova Scotia Correctional Facility, 10202 Sherbrook Road, New Glasgow NS
Brief description of the Unit	Primary care unit to provide health services to the offender population.
Unit Orientation	Orientation to the unit may take between 1 and 3 weeks depending upon the level of experience of the candidate. Department of Justice provides a mandatory security orientation this is included in the time frame.
Number of Beds	There is the potential to have three offenders housed in health segregation beds if required.

Patient Care

Patient Population	The clinic provides primary health care for the offender population. We assist the individual to maintain their optimum level of health as independently as possible within a secure environment.
Average Patient Age Range	We have young offenders on occasion beginning at age 12 to 18. For adults offenders range from 18 to 90+.
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:

Systems

Medication System	Traditional: <input type="checkbox"/> Unit Dosage: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Multi dose pouch distribution system.
Scheduling	Manager: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self: <input type="checkbox"/>
Average Number of Staff per Shift	Days: RN <u>1</u> LPN <u>2</u> CTA <u>n/a</u> Evenings: RN <u>1</u> LPN <u>2</u> CTA <u>n/a</u> Nights: RN <u>n/a</u> LPN <u>n/a</u> CTA <u>n/a</u>
Service Hours	0700 to 2200 hours seven days per week.
Length of Shift	8hr: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12 hr: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Other:

Staff

Staff Mix	RN: <u>25</u> % LPN: <u>75</u> % CTA: <u>0</u> %
Physician Coverage	On Call: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On Site: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/>

	Doctor does a clinic twice per week on site.
Multidisciplinary Team Members	Clerk 3

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.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responsibilities 	Admission assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation of care based on needs. Methadone client admissions. Medication and methadone administration. Triaging offender health requests, preparing and assisting with doctor clinics. Receiving medications from pharmacy. Responding to emergencies in the facility when required. Health education. Assisting diabetics to maintain optimum blood sugar control. Mental health assessment, managing drug and alcohol withdrawal.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills Required 	Wound care, foot care, suture removal
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional Responsibilities 	Computer skills
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional License/Certification/Education required 	Mental health experiences an asset.

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