



Unit Name Respiriology Clinic

Unit Location QEII Health Sciences Centre, Halifax Infirmary, 4th floor

Program Ambulatory Care Services

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	Respirology Clinic
Site	QEII Health Sciences Centre, Halifax Infirmary, 4 th Floor
Brief description of the Unit	Outpatient clinic that provides assessments of all respiratory conditions. This includes the Rapid Assessment Clinic.
Unit Orientation	<p>Unit orientation includes working with current staff for approximately 1 week, then working independently. Any additional skills, i.e. allergy testing, would be completed once the individual is capable of working independently.</p> <p>Orientation also includes self-directed learning such as reading the policies and procedures related to the clinic.</p>
Number of Beds	N/A

Patient Care

Patient Population	Patient population includes: Asthma, COPD, Pulmonary Hypertension, Cystic Fibrosis, Interstitial Lung Disease, Sleep Disorders, ALS, Pulmonary Fibrosis, Scleroderma.
Average Patient Age Range	18 and older
Nursing Model of Care	Primary Nursing: _____ Team Nursing: _____ Other: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total Patient Care: _____ Modified Total Patient Care: _____ Other: Only 1 nurse in clinic

Systems

Medication System	Traditional: _____ Unit Dosage: _____ Other: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Provides flu vaccines as ordered by the physician.
Scheduling	Manager: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self: _____
Average Number of Staff per Shift	Days: RN <u>1</u> LPN _____ CTA _____ Evenings: RN _____ LPN _____ CTA _____ Nights: RN _____ LPN _____ CTA _____
Service Hours	Monday – Friday 0800-1600
Length of Shift	8hr: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12 hr: _____ Other: _____ Other:

Staff

Staff Mix	RN: <u>100</u> % LPN: _____% CTA: _____%
Physician Coverage	On Call: _____ On Site: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A: _____ Other: _____

Multidisciplinary Team Members	Respiratory Therapist, Unit Aide
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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 	Perform the shared competencies, take patient history, obtain medication history
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skills Required 	Certification for the following shared competencies is required: Blood cultures, blood sampling, flu and pneumonia vaccines, allergy testing, COPD education, Asthma educator, Spirometry testing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional Responsibilities 	Strong collaboration with Physicians and other health care members.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional License/Certification/Education required 	COPD Educator Course, Asthma Educator Course, and previous teaching experience with adult population.

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