



Unit Name 2B Ophthalmology Day Surgery

Unit Location 2B Centennial Building, Victoria General Hospital

Program Ambulatory Services-Department of Ophthalmology

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> | |
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| Service | Ophthalmology Day Surgery |
| Site | 2B Centennial Building, Victoria General Hospital |
| Brief description of the Unit | Provides Pre/Post op care to the Ophthalmic Surgery patient. |
| Unit Orientation | Generally 2- 3 weeks, but is tailored to the individual based on needs, background and experience. |
| Number of Beds | N/A |

Patient Care

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| Patient Population | Pre/Post operative care of patients undergoing retina, cornea transplant, glaucoma, orbit/plastics, adult strabismus, and high volume cataract surgeries. Patient population is often elderly and/or diabetic. |
| Average Patient Age Range | 16 – 90+ years |
| Nursing Model of Care | Primary Nursing: _____ Team Nursing: _____ Other: _____ Total Patient Care: <u> X </u> Modified Total Patient Care: _____ Other: |

Systems

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| Medication System | Traditional: <u> X </u> Unit Dosage: _____ Other: _____ Other: |
| Scheduling | Manager: <u> X </u> Self: _____ |
| Average Number of Staff per Shift | Days: RN <u> 5-6 </u> LPN _____ CTA _____ Evenings: RN _____ LPN _____ CTA _____ Nights: RN _____ LPN _____ CTA _____ |
| Service Hours | 0630 – 1800. Some overtime may be required if surgeries run late/add ons |
| Length of Shift | 8hr: <u> X </u> 12 hr: _____ Other: <u> X </u> Other: 10 hours days |

Staff

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| Staff Mix | RN: <u> 100 </u> % LPN: _____ % CTA: _____ % |
| Physician Coverage | On Call: <u> X </u> On Site: <u> X </u> N/A: _____ Other: _____ |

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| Multidisciplinary Team Members | RNs, Ophthalmologists, Anesthesiologists, Surgeons, Anesthetic Assistants and Technicians, Resident / Medical Students, Clerical staff, Patient Attendants |
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| <u>Required Skills, Qualifications & Experience</u> | |
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| 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 | To provide pre/post operative care to patients undergoing ophthalmic surgery. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skills Required | Commitment to customer focus, excellent communication skills and an ability to function both independently and as part of a team, administration of eye drops, IV therapy, excellent patient education skills for discharge teaching, solid knowledge of common medical conditions and their systemic effects, medications, etc. Ability to flourish in a fast-paced, high volume area, rapidly changing environment with short patient length of stay. Requires a high degree of organizational ability, energy, and excellent interpersonal skills. Unit uses electronic documentation (Horizon Surgical Manager). |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional Responsibilities | Voluntary membership on unit/hospital committees, for example, Policy and Procedure, Workplace Safety Committees, Accreditation. Unit activities as required, for example, orientation of new staff. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional License/Certification/Education required | Previous ophthalmology experience in a high volume day surgery / ambulatory care environment. Aptitude for basic computer work. |

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