



Unit Name: Enterostomal Therapy

Unit Location: 9th floor, Centennial Building, VG Site

Program: Enterostomal Therapy

Nova Scotia Health Authority Inpatient and Outpatient Consult Service Profile

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

<u>General Information</u>	
Service	Enterostomal Therapy
Site	QEII, VG Site
Brief description of the Unit	Enterostomal Therapy Nursing. Treatment and management of individuals and families with ostomies, wounds, continence and skin issues.
Unit Orientation	New hospital employees get general hospital orientation. Orientation to ET service is typically 2 weeks.
Number of Beds	See patients on a consultative process. Caseload varies.

Patient Care

Patient Population	Any individual having GI surgery resulting in an ostomy or established ostomy with complications. Individuals with any type of wound, fistulas or compromised skin integrity.
Average Patient Age Range	Young adult to advanced age.
Nursing Model of Care	Primary Nursing: <u> X </u> Team Nursing: <u> </u> Other: <u> </u> Total Patient Care: <u> </u> Modified Total Patient Care: <u> </u> Other:

Systems

Medication System	Traditional: <u> </u> Unit Dosage: <u> </u> Other: <u> N/A </u> Other:
Scheduling	Manager: <u> X </u> Self: <u> </u>
Average Number of Staff per Shift	Days: RN <u> 2-4 </u> LPN <u> </u> CTA <u> </u> Evenings: RN <u> N/A </u> LPN <u> </u> CTA <u> </u> Nights: RN <u> N/A </u> LPN <u> </u> CTA <u> </u>
Service Hours	Monday to Friday 0800-1700, alternating weeks in clinic and inpatient consults.
Length of Shift	8hr: <u> X </u> 12 hr: <u> </u> Other: <u> </u> Other:

Staff

Staff Mix	RN: <u> 100 </u> % LPN: <u> </u> % CTA: <u> </u> %
Physician Coverage	On Call: <u> </u> On Site: <u> </u> N/A: <u> </u> Other: <u> For inpatient referrals only </u>

Multidisciplinary Team Members	For inpatient consults – Physicians (including staff, fellows, residents, clinical clerks), NPs, Clinical Nurse Educators, RNs, LPNs, CTAs, Unit Aides, Dieticians, Social Workers, OT and PT.
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<u>Required Skills, Qualifications & Experience</u>	
<p>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></p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Responsibilities 	<p>Consultation, pre-operative ostomy education and marking, postoperative ostomy assessment, education and management, wound/fistula assessment, care plan creation, evaluation, follow-up, knowledge of available resources and products, patient advocate, support and education of patient and inpatient unit staff, documentation, and communication.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skills Required 	<p>Psycho-Social-Physical assessment, NPWT, fistula and ostomy care, documentation, and communication.</p> <p>Deliver standardized education, consultation and care as well as participate in synergetic knowledge building with physicians, nurse and other members of the health care team. In addition, conduct in-depth clinical and health assessments and provide consultation for clients requiring specialty wound management, ostomy and functional continence assessments.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional Responsibilities 	<p>Must have excellent interpersonal, communication and organizational skills. Commitment to team work. Excellent time management. Must be able to work alone well in a fast paced environment effectively and efficiently while maintaining patient centered care.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional License/Certification/Education required 	<p>Graduation from a recognized program in ET or WOC nursing is required.</p> <p>CNA Certification in Enterostomal Therapy Nursing an asset.</p> <p>Current CPR Certification.</p>

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