



Unit Name Same Day Surgery Unit

Unit Location Victoria General Site, 10th Floor Victoria Building

Program Perioperative

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	Same Day Surgery Unit
Site	Victoria General Site 10 th Floor, Victoria Building
Brief description of the Unit	Pre-Admission Clinic: Pre-op Assessment, Teaching and Optimization for surgery Pre-op: Day of surgery, preparation for OR Phase 2 Recovery: Post-op teaching and discharge of patients having day surgery
Unit Orientation	RN Orientation: Approximately 3-4 weeks – tailored to individual learning needs and experience
Number of Beds	Pre-Admission Clinic – Ambulatory Clinic Pre-op: Sitting for Approx. 30, 2 stretcher bays, 1 isolation room Phase 2 Recovery Room – 7 chairs, 3 stretcher bays

Patient Care

Patient Population	General Surgery, Thoracic, Urology, Gyne-Oncology, ENT, OMF, Ophthalmology, Block Patients, ERCP, Lithotripsy and Pain Blocks
Average Patient Age Range	Adult population 16 – 90+ years
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unit Dosage: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: IV, IM, SC, PO, & PR Medications
Scheduling	Manager: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self: <input type="checkbox"/>
Average Number of Staff per Shift	Days: RN <u>9</u> LPN <input type="checkbox"/> CTA <input type="checkbox"/> Evenings: RN <input type="checkbox"/> LPN <input type="checkbox"/> CTA <input type="checkbox"/> Nights: RN <input type="checkbox"/> LPN <input type="checkbox"/> CTA <input type="checkbox"/>
Service Hours	0545 – 1900 Monday – Friday staggered 8 Hour shifts
Length of Shift	8hr: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12 hr: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/> Other:

Staff

Staff Mix	RN: <u>100</u> % LPN: <input type="checkbox"/> % CTA: <input type="checkbox"/> %
Physician Coverage	On Call: <input type="checkbox"/> On Site: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="checkbox"/>
Multidisciplinary Team Members	RN, Clerical staff, Unit Aide, Anesthesia Team, Surgical Team, Nurse Educator

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	Pre-op teaching and assessment. Post-op: Optimized for discharge with appropriate teaching and follow up instruction.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Skills Required	IV initiation, medication administration, vital sign monitoring, pre and post op assessment, pain management, patient education, electronic charting. Requires high level of organizational and critical thinking skills. Well developed communication skills are also needed.
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Additional Responsibilities	Fast pace, rapid turnover of patient, high stress area with multiple deadlines Heavy physical workload at times; patient transfers
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Additional License/Certification/Education required	Computer Literacy (electronic charting)

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