



**Unit Name** Termination of Pregnancy Unit

**Unit Location** VG Site Dickson Building 5<sup>th</sup> Floor

**Program** Ambulatory Care Clinic

## **Nova Scotia Health Authority Outpatient Service Profile**

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

<b><u>General Information</u></b>	
<b>Service</b>	Termination of Pregnancy Unit
<b>Site</b>	VG Site Dickson Building 5 <sup>th</sup> Floor
<b>Brief description of the Unit</b>	Care of patients undergoing therapeutic abortion.
<b>Unit Orientation</b>	2-3 weeks  First day with educator and shadow nurses, first week orientation to interview and possibly recovery room. Second week orientation to OR. Amount of orientation is based on individual learning needs of nurses.
<b>Number of Beds</b>	4 recovery chairs

### Patient Care

<b>Patient Population</b>	All women of childbearing age in N.S. and P.E.I. (referrals from N.B. and Newfoundland are received as well).
<b>Average Patient Age Range</b>	12 – 45 years of age
<b>Nursing Model of Care</b>	Primary Nursing: _____ Team Nursing: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ Total Patient Care: _____ Modified Total Patient Care: _____  <b>Other:</b>

### Systems

<b>Medication System</b>	Traditional: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unit Dosage: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: _____  <b>Other:</b>
<b>Scheduling</b>	Manager: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Self: _____ Staff scheduling completed primarily by the charge nurse.
<b>Average Number of Staff per Shift</b>	Days: RN <u>4</u> LPN <u>0</u> CTA <u>0</u> Evenings: RN _____ LPN _____ CTA _____ Nights: RN _____ LPN _____ CTA _____
<b>Service Hours</b>	Monday to Friday 0700 - 1500
<b>Length of Shift</b>	8hr: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12 hr: _____ Other: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  <b>Other:</b> Shifts are either 6 or 8 hour

### Staff

<b>Staff Mix</b>	RN: <u>100</u> % LPN: _____% CTA: _____%
<b>Physician Coverage</b>	On Call: _____ On Site: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A: _____ Other: _____
<b>Multidisciplinary Team Members</b>	Nurses, Family Physicians, Unit Aide, Clerk, Social Worker

### 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.*

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Responsibilities</b></li></ul>                                    | Birth control teaching, health history, psycho / social assessment, discharge teaching. Administration of meds – PO, Narcotics, Monitoring V/S, IV insertion, Assisting MD during procedure. Monitoring during recovery, assess for possible complications and arrange gyne consults if required. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Skills Required</b></li></ul>                                     | Venipuncture for IV insertion, strong interpersonal and communication skills. Assessment and patient teaching skills, counseling relating to birth control methods. A positive attitude towards women’s health issues, including a patient’s right to choose.                                     |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Additional Responsibilities</b></li></ul>                         | Collaborate with other members of the healthcare team.  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Additional License/Certification/Education required</b></li></ul> |   |

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