

CLINICS IN THE DIGBY AREA

WHO ARE SERVING PATIENTS WITHOUT A PROVIDER

Community Notice:

We realize that many people in the Digby area do not have a doctor or nurse practitioner. We understand that most of us manage our own health from day to day however, while we continue to recruit, we are also working to provide options to help you access care when you need it. Please see the schedules below for more information about clinics for people without a family doctor or nurse practitioner in this area. **Schedules will be updated regularly and will be posted:**

- In the Digby General Hospital
- In the Digby and Area Health Services Centre
- Local pharmacies
- Online at: www.digbyhealthhome.ca

Who should I call to book an appointment?

→ If you **were** a patient of a doctor or nurse practitioner of the Digby Health Centre in the past, but currently don't have a provider, **you can call the Digby and Area Health Services Centre.**

→ **The Digby General Hospital Unattached Patient Clinic** continues to provide services to unattached patients (folks without a family doctor or nurse practitioner). Please note that we currently only have one provider.

Digby and Area Health Services Centre

- Phone: 902-245-1307
- Dates for this month:
 - o January 2nd
 - o Jan 7th and 8th
 - o January 16th
 - o Jan 21st and 22nd
 - o January 30th
- Virtual care appointments are also available!

Same day appointments only.

Receptionists only start taking calls at 8am.

Limited amount of appointments available.

→ If **you were** a patient of an NP of the Island Health Centre in the past, but currently don't have a provider, **you can call the Islands Health Centre.**

Islands Health Centre

- Phone: 902-245-0243
- Dates for this month:
 - o January 2nd and 3rd
 - o January 9th and 10th
 - o January 16th and 17th
 - o January 22nd and 23rd
 - o January 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st

Same day appointments only.

Receptionists only start taking calls at 8am.

Limited amount of appointments available.

Digby Unattached Patients Clinic (DGH, Consultants Clinic)

- Patients are not permanent patients of the clinic. The doctor **does not** become their permanent health care provider.
- Clinic is 2 ½ days per week.
- By appointment only. Please call 902-245-2502 ext. 3282 for more information.

What are virtual care appointments?!?

- ✓ **Virtual care is a type of appointment where the provider you are seeing is not in the room with you, because he or she is from somewhere else in Nova Scotia.**
- ✓ **It's like Skype or Facetime, but specific to healthcare and ensures patient privacy.**
- ✓ **A nurse will be with you at all times.**
- ✓ **Patients don't have to do anything with the computer. The nurse will make sure everything is set up for you.**

