

The Emergency Department at the Aberdeen Hospital

New Glasgow, Nova Scotia



Department Overview

Completed in 2017, the Emergency Department at the Aberdeen Hospital underwent an extensive redevelopment to improve the layout and workflow of the existing space. The Level 2 emergency department provides 24/7 access to emergency services.

Department highlights

All rooms are equipped with critical care equipment, and the 25,000-square-foot space features two isolation rooms and specialty rooms including two triage rooms, a fracture room, an eye/ENT room and two trauma bays, with direct access to the helipad.

The all-weather ambulance bay has a two-way drive through, providing ease of access and transport of patients. Patient rooms are fully-accessible, single-occupancy, and are located around the exterior of the space with stations and staff in the centre for ease of visual monitoring and proximity to those in need of care.

Staff of the Aberdeen Hospital's Emergency Department have a team-centered, patient-focused approach to care, and are welcoming and accommodating to new staff and physicians. The unit is fully-secured, swipe-access entry with 24/7 security, and places patient-care at the forefront.



Meet Dr. Deborah Straub

"Working in the emergency room at the Aberdeen Hospital can be very fast-paced with exposure to acute and often complex medical cases, but also very rewarding – our patients are very appreciative for the care they receive from our talented healthcare staff. Our department offers a supportive and collaborative environment, welcoming student learners, and access to consultants and specialists. Being originally from Pictou County, there have been many fulfilling opportunities for myself, my husband and our four children as we built our life here. This is a very special community."

- Dr. Straub has been an Emergency Physician at the Aberdeen Hospital since 1995



Let's talk about practice

The Aberdeen Emergency Department runs 24/7/365
with the current shifts:

07:00 - 15:00

15:00 - 23:00

23:00-07:00

12:00-22:00

Double coverage is from 12:00 - 22:00

The team is in the process of adding an additional shift (and shortening the 10h shift) for additional double coverage. (August 2021)



Base hourly wage of \$236.93/h
(weekday, day shifts)
Shift differentials - evening and
weekend premiums, night premiums
(up to \$450/h for holiday nights)*
*Details on physician payment models can
be found through Doctors Nova Scotia
[HERE](#)



The department features a
call room equipped with
lockers and a shower, plus
access to a shared staff
kitchenette
(fridge, microwave, Keurig)



Each shift:

4-5RNs
LPN
CCA
2 clerks
RT on call 24/7



**Do you require the
emergency +1 to work here?**

No, while CCFP-EM or FRCPS
is preferred, they are not
required. We are looking for
physicians that have shown
interest in emergency
medicine and would support
them in the pursuit of practice
eligible route to attaining
CCFP-EM.

**Meet Janet MacLeod
Patient Access and Flow Manager**



With over 20 years experience Janet is a staple
in the Aberdeen Emergency Department.

For the last year, she's been in the role of
Patient Access and Flow - following patients
from the emergency department and helping
transition patients through their hospital
journey. She's also responsible for bed flow and
managing complex patient situations. With her
impressive background and skillset, Janet is
ready to onboard and welcome new members
to the Aberdeen Emergency team

One of the two emergency trauma bays in the department



Meet Dr. Dan Dittaro

"We are fortunate to have the Aberdeen Health Foundation, which supports large purchases such as a new Mindray TE7 ultrasound machine. We have state of the art telemetry and airway equipment. We are agile enough to quickly adopt new technology as it becomes available and have good access to resources in the community. We also have an incredible team, and we're looking to continue to build on that."

- Dr. Dan Dittaro, emergency physician at the Aberdeen for 4 years, and current department head



Meet Hollie

Connect with Hollie Cameron O'Laney, Health Services Manager, ED & ICU to discuss opportunities at the Aberdeen Emergency Department at Hollie.Cameron-OLaney@nshealth.ca



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