

# What is Primary Health Care?

Primary Care is your first contact with the health-care system. Primary Health Care includes health promotion, health management, diagnosis, and disease prevention and care for common illnesses with a variety of health-care providers.

### **Hours of Operation**

Monday to Friday — 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

# **Family Physicians and Nurse Practitioners**

### By appointment only

Nurse Practitioners and Family Physicians offer comprehensive care across the health continuum and throughout the client's lifespan. They work in collaboration with other staff to provide primary health-care services such as:

- Ordering tests like x-rays, ultrasound, labs and mammograms.
- Prescribing medication
- Providing chronic disease management for diseases such as diabetes and high-blood pressure.
- Physical check-ups and tests such as PAP tests, breast exams and prostate tests.
- Flu clinics
- Specialist referrals
- Pre-natal follow-up care

632-5700

### Collaborative Practice

On occasion, you may receive service from another provider at the centre depending on availability and your needs.

### **Emergency (911)**

If you have an emergency, call 911 immediately.

### St. Joseph's Hospital

130 Bayard Drive, Saint John NB E2L 3L6

# Services Provided at your Community Health Centre

Programs or one-on-one appointments with the Dietitian, Social Worker, Registered Nurse, Occupational Therapist, or Pharmacist is available as a self-referral service to all members of our community.

### **Programs**

Programs are based on identified community or group needs and may include education on subjects such as:

- Hypertension
- Fall prevention
- Nutrition counseling
- Seniors wellness/ exercises classes
- Diabetes
- · Weight management
- · Healthy living
- Chronic disease management
- Smoking cessation/COPD

632-5537

## **Tele-care (811)**

Free and confidential health-care advice, in the language of your choice, is offered by a Registered Nurse 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

If you do not have a primary care provider, please contact Tele-care to add your name to the provincial patient registry, Patient Connect NB.

### St. Joseph's Community Health Centre

116 Coburg Street, Saint John, E2L 3K1

