



**PRAIRIE NORTH REGIONAL
HEALTH AUTHORITY**

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Number: 15007
Category: Continuing Care
Title: Nurse In Charge – Roles & Responsibilities

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PURPOSE

Prairie North Regional Health Authority facilities shall clearly designate duties and accountabilities for the Nurse In Charge to follow while on duty.

POLICY STATEMENT

The Nurse In Charge is required to organize and oversee the effective delivery of day to day nursing services on their shift to ensure the maintenance of quality nursing care on the designated unit by:

- Effectively using available resources.
- Demonstrating the ability to understand and cooperate with other professional and support staff.
- Coordinating service provision with other intra- and inter-regional health programs.
- Clearly communicating the needs of the client receiving nursing care.
- Ensuring that client needs are met.
- Maintaining a safe work environment for staff and clients.
- Minimizing stress in the environment and promoting harmonious relationships between staff and between staff and clients/families.