



Okanagan Indian Band

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MEMBER BULLETIN

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Want to see a doctor? The New OKIB Primary Care Clinic is accepting patients

OKIB Health is pleased to announce the opening of the new OKIB Primary Care Clinic, established in partnership with Shuswap North Okanagan Division of Family Practice and Interior Health.

The new clinic is located at the OKIB Health Centre on IR#1. OKIB now has a doctor on reserve Tuesdays and Thursdays.

“The Clinic is now open to members both on and off reserve,” said Chief Byron Louis. “It represents a new approach to providing health care services and access to doctors on OKIB reserve land. Now, OKIB members can receive care at all stages of life, right here in community. It is a major benefit for OKIB members and it is sure to be well used.”

The Clinic will provide easy access to culturally-safe care on reserve for all OKIB members. The clinic is open by appointment Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and a doctor will be on site.

The partnership among OKIB, the Shuswap North Okanagan Division of Family Practice, Interior Health, and the location of the clinic on reserve land make this a unique program.

Team-based care approach

The Clinic uses a team-based care approach to health care. Team-based health care happens when different health care providers work together with you to meet your health care needs. The providers you see will depend on the nature of your condition. Through this unique partnership we aim to become your “medical home” where the majority of your health care can be provided in a culturally safe and welcoming space.

YOUR health care team

YOU are at the centre of your care team which may include several health care providers:

- Your family physician
- Primary care nurse
- Mental health and addictions support
- Public health
- Home and community care

Primary care services offered through the OKIB Primary Care Clinic include:

- Medical assessments, diagnosis and treatment plans
- Physical exams for newborns including baby growth and development checks
- Frail seniors and elderly care

- Chronic disease screening and management
 - Diabetes
 - Hypertension
 - COPD and lung disease
- Sexual health counselling and management
 - Birth control options
 - Check-ups and screening
 - Teen health
- Specialist referrals
- Mental health care focusing on patient choice
- Support and treatment for alcohol and drug addictions
- Medication management and renewals
- Vaccinations

If you want to talk with a doctor or nurse please call **250-503-0877** to make an appointment.

Clinic Hours

Tuesdays and Thursdays
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Phone: 250-503-0877

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Clinic Location

OKIB Health Centre
Head of the Lake Road
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