



HCC Services Support Service

- Admission to home care service is based on nursing assessment and reassessment: An Initial Interview is conducted to determine the home care service needs of the client. It also includes the involvement of the informal care givers and development of mutually agreed upon goals including the frequency and duration of care.
- Wound Management: Includes simple and complex dressings. We work in partnership with the Wound Care Clinic NVHC IHA.
- Medication Administration and Management: Medications are prepared and administered through various routes with orders from the physician. The home care nurse observes the side effects, educates the client, reviews the medications and reports any untoward signs and symptoms to the physician. Medication reconciliation is done with the physicians and pharmacists as needed by the homecare nurse.
- Health teaching of clients or informal caregivers: Teaching clients/informal care givers to meet care needs by enhancing their knowledge, skills and confidence.
- Case Management and referral to other services: Maintaining and coordinating linkages between multiple care givers and programs to promote optimal care in an efficient, safe manner.
- Assistance / Liaison with respite and palliative care: The Home care nurse works with the palliative care team NVHC IHA.
- Assistance with access to medical equipment: Medical equipment is put in place as needed in the home. A prescription is required from the family doctor for equipment that the client will require on a permanent basis. Most equipment is covered by NIHB but there is some that is not. Schss does have a loans cupboard along with the Red Cross Loans cupboard at NVHC for clients that are in need of equipment on a temporary basis.
- Personal Care Aide services including bathing, grooming, dressing, foot care, and supportive care.
- Home visits by the RN & PCA.

Accompanying clients to their doctor as needed as an advocate: The RN will accompany a client to their physician upon request and as or needed to establish diagnosis, medication reconciliation, treatment options or management.