



NURSE PRACTITIONERS ASSOCIATION OF NOVA SCOTIA

The Nurse Practitioners Association of Nova Scotia (NPANS) is extremely pleased to acknowledge the recent statement from the Federal Minister of Health regarding the Canada Health Act.

In addition, NPANS is extremely satisfied with Health Minister Mark Holland's recognition of the role that all healthcare providers play in ensuring timely, comprehensive care for all Canadians.

Evidence has shown that NPs are able to reduce wait times, improve patient satisfaction, and ensure continuity of care—all while relieving some of the burden on our overextended hospitals and medical clinics. NPs have brought and will continue to bring professional, comprehensive health care to Nova Scotians, where access to timely, high-quality healthcare remains a challenge.

Currently there are approximately 430 NPs working in the province providing evidence-based, comprehensive care to Nova Scotians. Many of which have come from the Need a Family Practice Registry. (matches patients to either a family physician or nurse practitioner).

NPANS looks forward to increasing access to care for all Nova Scotians by working collaboratively with all stakeholders.

Respectfully,

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