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Elkford Emergency Department temporary service change

ELKFORD – Residents are advised that due to unexpected limited physician availability for the Elkford Health Centre, **the emergency department in Elkford will close at noon today.**

Interior Health regrets this interruption to our normal emergency department services. People should take note of the following if they require care when the emergency department is closed:

- In the event of an emergency, call 9-1-1.
- Visit the emergency department at one of the following facilities:
 - Sparwood Health Centre – open 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 - Elk Valley Hospital in Fernie – 24-hour service
- Call HealthLinkBC at 8-1-1 (24-hour service) if you are unsure about your need to go to the emergency department.

The Elkford Health Centre is open today including scheduled physician appointments, lab and X-ray services.

Only emergency department services are impacted by this staffing challenge.

Note: Elkford Emergency Department services normally operate Monday to Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

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