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Temporary closure of Elkford emergency department

ELKFORD – The Elkford Health Centre emergency department will be closed temporarily, effective Sept. 29 until further notice, due to limited staffing availability.

The Elkford Health Centre remains open for scheduled primary care appointments, lab and X-ray services.

Interior Health continues to recruit additional permanent and casual staff and physicians to Elkford.

People should take note of the following if they require emergency care:

- 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.

Interior Health regrets this interruption to our normal emergency department services in Elkford.

We will have updates on recruitment as soon as new information.

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