# Where can I receive care?



Patient Information • Primary & Community Care Resources, Kamloops

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# For serious, life-threatening illness or injury requiring immediate care

### **Emergency Department**

The following conditions should be assessed and treated immediately in an Emergency Department (ED) or by calling 9-1-1:

- Suspected stroke
- Confusion
- Chest pain
- Difficulty breathing
- Severe abdominal pain
- Major trauma or injury
- Major psychiatric illness
- Significant head injury
- Maternity or obstetric issues
- Poisoning or overdose

# For non-life-threatening illness or injury requiring same-day care

### **Urgent Primary Care Centre**

Team-based care is available by referral at the Urgent Primary Care Centre for non-life threatening illnesses or injuries that need same-day care. This is a not a walk-in clinic. (See brochure for additional information.)

The team will provide care for:

- Less serious injuries
- Lacerations, wounds, skin conditions
- Infections
- Minor pediatric illness/injury
- Women's health

#### For non-emergency illnesses

# Family doctor or nurse practitioner

Call your regular physician or nurse practitioner (NP) office first. Same-day, urgent appointments may be available. Walk-in clinics are the next option.

To find a family doctor or NP, call 8-1-1 and ask to be placed on the Kamloops Primary Care Waitlist. Your doctor or NP is best for:

- Continuing care for ongoing health-care concerns
- Prescription renewals
- Follow-up visits for chronic conditions
- Follow-up visits for lab tests or imaging tests
- Regular check-ups
- First contact for new conditions not requiring urgent or emergency care
- Promotion and disease prevention
- Forms (e.g. sick notes, driver's licence, insurance, medical)

### **Pharmacist**

Pharmacists are a good resource for advice and limited prescription renewals. Try them first for:

Allergies

- Minor Fever
- Cold symptoms
- Mild rash
- Manageable back/joint pain
- Urgent medication refill

#### 8-I-I HealthLink BC

Not sure where to go for help? For advice, call 8-1-1 HealthLink BC (call 7-1-1 if hearing impaired), available 24/7, or visit www.healthlinkbc.ca

- Nurses
- Pharmacists
- Dietitians

Healthlink BC	Nurse	24 hours a day	Daily
Call 8-1-1	Dietitian	9 am-5 pm	Mon-Fri
	Pharmacist	5 pm-9 am	Daily
www.healthlinkbc.ca	Hearing Impaired	Call 7-1-1	

Call 8-1-1 to speak with a nurse, ask a dietitian about nutrition, or a pharmacist about your medication.

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#### For other care and support in the community

#### **Mental Health Resources**

#### **Interior Crisis Line Network**

I-888-353-CARE (2273) toll-free, 24/7

#### Mental Health & Substance Use

250-377-6500 (during business hours) 250-377-0088 (after hours)

## **Rapid Access Addiction Clinic**

Walk-ins welcome 9 a.m. to 4 p.m 250-374-2345 (8 a.m. to 11 p.m.)

### **Home or Community Care**

Information on health-care services provided at home or in community clinic.

250-851-7945

# **Aboriginal Services**

#### Kamloops Aboriginal Friendship Society

Urban Aboriginal Health Centre, Wellness Services, Family Child & Youth, Addiction Services.

250-376-1296 https://www.kafs.ca/

# White Buffalo Aboriginal and Métis Health Society

517A Tranquille Road

250-554-1176

http://whitebuffalosociety.ca/

### Q'wemtsin Health Society Office

(Serving on-reserve T'Kemlups, Whispering Pines and Skeetchst'n members.)

250-314-6732

qwemtsin.org

