

## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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## **Temporary service adjustment to emergency department at Slocan Community Health Centre**

**NEW DENVER** – Slocan Valley residents are advised of a temporary change to the emergency department hours at Slocan Community Health Centre beginning today, Monday, July 25, 2022.

Until further notice, emergency department hours will be 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. seven days a week.

Interior Health regrets this temporary change to normal operations and reminds residents to take note of the following if they require care while the emergency department is closed:

- In the event of an emergency, call 911.
- Visit the emergency department at:
  - Arrow Lakes Hospital, 97 1st Ave NE, Nakusp
- Call HealthLink BC at 8-1-1 (24-hour service) if you are unsure of your need to seek emergency care.

Interior Health is facing staffing challenges and continues to recruit to fill positions in New Denver. An update will be provided as soon as we are able to return to normal 24/7 operations.

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We recognize and acknowledge that we are collectively gathered on the traditional, ancestral, and unceded territories of the seven Interior Region First Nations. This region is also home to 15 Chartered Métis Communities. It is with humility that we continue to strengthen our relationships with First Nation, Métis, and Inuit peoples across the Interior.

