National Nursing Week celebrated

Northumberland Hills Hospital (NHH) celebrated National Nursing Week May 8-14, recognizing the contributions of interprofessional teams across the hospital, specifically in nursing roles.

On Wednesday, May 10, we had the opportunity to highlight nurses across the organization at NHH’s Nursing Practice Awards Ceremony.

A peer-nominated recognition, the awards celebrated nurses who embody NHH’s core values of quality, integrity, respect, teamwork, and compassion in their practice.

We also presented Professional Development Achievement Awards, which recognized nurses who have upgraded their skillset through additional training or academic credentials over the last year. Please join us in congratulating all nominees and recipients:

**Nursing Practice Award recipients**
Kara Macklin (Acute Care), Janna Cudmore (Ambulatory Care), Lindsay Chevalier (Cancer and Supportive Care), Ann Marie Losell (Dialysis), Danielle Kohlman (Emergency Department), Mafalda Concordia (Intensive Care Unit), Melissa Atkins (Mental Health), Lisa Foreman (Obstetrics), Tara Redmond (Post Acute Specialty Services), and Tracey Chester (Surgical Services).

**Professional Development Achievement Award recipients**
Canadian Nurses Association certifications: Christina Durham and Laura Eakins
Bachelor’s degrees: Shirley Buell, Lisa Eisler, and Stacey Simmons
Master’s degrees: Paula Traini, Dmitri Goold, and Amy Dickson

In addition to the Nursing Practice Awards, the week also included a variety of activities for all staff, physicians, midwives, and volunteers, including a Nursing Skills Fair & Learning Lab Open House, profiles of NHH nurses across our social media channels, a candy bar courtesy of the NHH Foundation, and a host of fun activities featured below.

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**An update on NHH’s universal masking policy**

While mandatory masking is still required in all clinical and patient care areas at NHH, masking is now a personal choice in common areas and non-patient care areas, such as: Bistro, administration, and hallways outside of clinical spaces.

Planning to visit one of the following? Please remember masks are still required and provided:

**ACUTE CARE**
Emergency/Intensive Care
2A/B Medical/Surgical Inpatient
Maternal Child Care
Surgical Services

**POST-ACUTE**
1A/B Inpatient Rehabilitation/Restorative Care
Palliative Care

**OUTPATIENT CARE**
Ambulatory Care
Cancer/Supportive Care/Dialysis
Community Mental Health

**DIAGNOSTICS**
Diagnostic Imaging/Women's Health

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. For more on mask and visitor requirements, see the NHH Visiting Guidelines section of nhh.ca.

Questions? Don’t hesitate to reach out to our Public Affairs department ext. 4009.