# Patient & Family Guide 2022 Welcome to the QEII

What are your questions? Please ask. We are here to help you.

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# Welcome to the QEII

### Who we are

The QEII provides patients throughout Atlantic Canada with the most advanced health care available. The QEII is home to leading care, research, teaching and learning in all medical and surgical fields.

# Where we are

The QEII has 10 buildings on 2 sites in Halifax: the Halifax Infirmary (HI) site and the Victoria General (VG) site:

HI site	VG site
1796 Summer Street	1276 South Park Street

To see where specific buildings at the QEII are located, please see the map at the end of this guide.

# Parking

Parking locations are also shown on the map at the end of this guide. Special parking rates are available for families of long-term inpatients after the patient's 14th consecutive (back to back) day in hospital. Discounted rates are also offered for outpatients with long-term treatment schedules. Please ask staff at the nursing station or clinic registration desk for details.

# Shuttle service

Patients who need transportation between the HI and VG sites can take the patient and staff shuttle, which runs between sites every 20 minutes during the day.

Shuttle pick-up and drop-off areas are located at the:

HI site	VG site
Outside Halifax	Outside MacKenzie
Infirmary Building	Building
1796 Summer Street	5788 University Avenue
Leaves every 20 minutes	Leaves every 20 minutes
starting at 6:15 a.m. and	starting at 6:22 a.m. and
ending at 4:10 p.m.	ending at 4:20 p.m.

\*Please note that the shuttle bus is not wheelchair accessible.\*

# Local transportation

You can view local bus and ferry schedules for Halifax Transit at www.halifax.ca/transit.

For a taxi, you can call Yellow Cab at 902-420-0000 or pick up one of our taxi phones for direct access to Yellow Cab dispatch.

# While you are here

The QEII offers many amenities and services for patients and families. These include:

#### Wi-Fi

Patients and visitors at the QEII have free access to wireless Internet services (Wi-Fi), generously provided by the Gauthier and David families through a gift to the QEII Foundation. Wi-Fi areas are marked with signs, and no password is needed. The network name is QEII\_wifi.

#### **Cafeterias and restaurants**

The following locations are open to everyone for meals and snacks:

#### VG site

# Scotia Room Restaurant and Coffee Shop

Victoria Building, main floor Weekdays: 6:45 a.m. to 9 p.m. Weekends and holidays: 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

#### HI site

#### Summer Savory Restaurant

Halifax Infirmary Building, second floor Weekdays: 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Weekends and holidays: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

#### **Coffee Shop on Robie**

Halifax Infirmary Building, 4th floor Weekdays: 6:45 a.m. to 11 p.m. Weekends and holidays: 3:30 to 11 p.m.

#### Camp Hill Veterans' Memorial Cafeteria

Camp Hill Veterans' Memorial Building, main floor Weekdays: 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (Closed on weekends and holidays)

#### Drugstores

There are 2 drugstores located within the QEII.

HI site	VG site
Halifax Infirmary Building, 4th floor	Victoria Building, main floor along hallway to Centennial Building
Weekdays: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Weekdays: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### Libraries

There are 2 health sciences libraries located within the QEII. Patients, families, and staff are welcome to use the libraries, including available computer services. There is also free wireless Internet (Wi-Fi) available at the libraries.

HI site	VG site
Halifax Infirmary Building, second floor, room 2201, 1796 Summer Street Phone: 902-473-4296	Dickson Building, 5th floor, room 5106, 5820 University Avenue (behind the MacKenzie Building) Phone: 902-473-8497
Weekdays: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.	Weekdays: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

# Spiritual care and places of prayer and meditation

These spaces are open 24 hours a day and are accessible to all who seek a place of peace and tranquility. Each space has an area set aside for worship, prayer, and meditation.

HI site	VG site
<ul> <li>Halifax Infirmary Building, first floor, room 1211</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Victoria Building, main floor, room 2007</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Camp Hill Veterans' Memorial Building, first floor, room 1510</li> </ul>	

Church services are offered at the Camp Hill Veterans' Memorial Building:

#### Inter-denominational worship

> Sundays: 9:45 a.m.

#### Roman Catholic Eucharist (Communion)

> Sundays: 10:45 a.m.

There are also many sacred spaces in the surrounding community. If you have specific questions about churches, synagogues, mosques, or other sacred spaces, please contact Spiritual Care at 902-473-4055.

#### **Patient relations**

If you have questions or concerns about your care or experience at the QEII:

- > Phone (toll-free): 1-844-884-4177
- > Email: healthcareexperience@nshealth.ca

#### Security

Security Services ensures that all patients, families, visitors, and staff are safe at the QEII. To report a concern or for more information, visit or call:

HI site	VG site
Halifax Infirmary Building, room 1237	Dickson Building, main lobby
Phone: 902-473-4894	Phone: 902-473-2230

Please note, the hospital is not responsible for lost or missing items. Please leave valuables at home.

# **The QEII Foundation**

The QEII Foundation is a non-profit, charitable organization that inspires generosity to advance health care at the QEII. To learn more, or to contact the QEII Foundation:

> http://qe2foundation.ca Email: info@qe2foundation.ca Phone: 902-334-1546 Toll-free: 1-888-428-0220 Fax: 902-442-7172

Mailing address: 5657 Spring Garden Road Park Lane Mall, Suite 3005 Halifax, NS B3J 3R4

# Accommodations

If you need a place to stay, there are not-for-profit lodgings near the QEII site that have rooms for patients and families.

Halifax Haven Guest Home Email: halifaxhaven@gmail.com 5897 Inglis Street

Phone: 902-421-1650

#### **Point Pleasant Lodge** www.pointpleasantlodge.com

1121 South Park Street

Phone: 902-421-1599

### The Dr. Susan K. Roberts Lodge That Gives

#### (The Cancer Lodge)

Canadian Cancer Society 5826 South Street

Phone (toll-free): 1-800-639-0222 or 902-420-1849

Some places also offer special rates for families of patients. Please ask when you make your reservation.

### **Grocery stores**

There are many grocery stores around the QEII. These include:

#### Sobeys

1120 Queen Street 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. every day Phone: 902-422-9884 www.sobeys.com/stores/sobeys-queen-street

#### Pete's Frootique

1515 Dresden Row Monday to Saturday: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Lunchline (cafeteria service): 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. every day Phone: 902-425-5700

Phone: 902-425-5700 https://petes.ca/

#### **Atlantic Superstore**

6139 Quinpool Road Monday to Saturday: 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Phone: 902-425-1498 www.atlanticsuperstore.ca/store-locator/details/0383

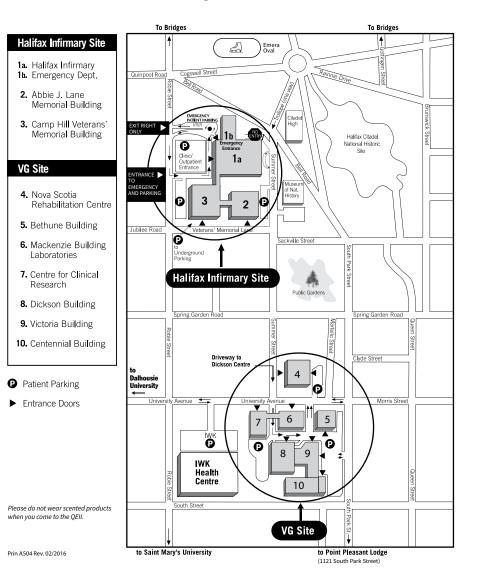
#### **Atlantic Superstore**

1075 Barrington Street Monday to Saturday: 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Phone: 902-492-3240 www.atlanticsuperstore.ca/store-locator/details/0369

# QEII Health Sciences Centre

is made up of 10 buildings located on two sites



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 Connect with a registered nurse in Nova Scotia any time: call 811 or visit https://811.novascotia.ca
 Learn about other programs and services in your community: call 211 or visit http://ns.211.ca

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