

## Improving Breastfeeding Support at HPHA

The Maternal Child Program at the Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance (HPHA) has been working to improve breastfeeding rates and access to breastfeeding support for all new moms.

One way the HPHA hopes to increase these rates is by providing new moms with access to a Registered Nurse with Lactation Consultant certification both as an inpatient and for follow-up care once they have been discharged.

In order to provide this valuable service to patients all breastfeeding supports and resources will be consolidated to HPHA's Stratford General Hospital site, where the Maternal Child program is located.



### What is changing?

The Breastfeeding Clinic, which is currently delivered at St. Marys Memorial Hospital on Tuesday evenings and Thursday mornings, is relocating to Stratford General Hospital effective December 17, 2018.

The new address for the clinic is: Stratford General Hospital – 46 General Hospital Drive, Stratford.

- The clinic will be located on the Maternal Child Unit on the second floor of the East Building.
- Upon gaining entry to the Unit via the intercom system, patients will proceed to the Communication Station to register.
- Staff will then direct you to the clinic space.

Effective December 17, 2018 the new schedule for Breastfeeding Clinics will be 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on the following days:

- Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays

*Schedules will be adjusted to accommodate Statutory Holidays.*

**As always, breastfeeding support is available any time, day or night, by calling the Maternal Child Unit at 519-272-8232.**

If you have any concerns about the change to the Breastfeeding Clinic, please contact Kerri Hannon, Manager Maternal Child & Scheduling Department at 519-272-8210 Ext.2323 or via email at [kerri.hannon@hpha.ca](mailto:kerri.hannon@hpha.ca)



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