# NURSE PRACTITIONER

# **GENERAL INTENT**

The Nurse Practitioner applies advanced nursing and medical theory to the provision of clinical care, autonomously providing clinical assessment of patients and implementing procedures/interventions. Positions at this level are located in the Northern Nursing Stations.

# **FACTORS**

## COMPLEXITY

## Skills/Expertise Required

- Registered Nurse with current active registration to practice in the Province of Manitoba.
- Must meet the Standards of Practice for Registered Nurses on the Extended Practice Register as established by the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba.
- Excellent communication and leadership skills.
- Well developed diagnostic abilities.
- Ability to function effectively in an autonomous environment.

## Variety

Positions order and manage the results of screening and diagnostic tests, prescribe medications, initiate appropriate therapies and perform minor surgical and invasive procedures. Incumbents also initiate therapeutic interventions in client care management and perform functions which are normally part of the scope of a Registered Nurse.

## <u>Guidelines</u>

Positions provide only those services they are authorized and competent to provide. Practices are in accordance with the Extended Practice Regulations of the College of Registered Nurses of Manitoba (CRNM) and other relevant legislative Acts, regulations, policies and CRNM bylaws.

#### Supervision Received

Positions work independently to provide public health services for community members. On matters exceeding their knowledge and expertise, incumbents consult with the Nursing Supervisor.

## OTHER LEVEL DETERMINANTS

#### **Decision Making**

Determines necessity for referrals and collaboration with physicians, pharmacists and other health care providers and support resources as appropriate for the client situation.

## <u>Contacts</u>

Contacts include clients, their families, the care team, staff, physicians and other health care providers.