
Media Release

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Thorsby/Warburg Nurse Practitioner ready to start seeing patients

Announced last month, the underserved towns of Thorsby and Warburg, and their surrounding communities, are going to be receiving primary care support from a dedicated Nurse Practitioner (NP). Michelle Williams, NP, has been hired by the Leduc Beaumont Devon Primary Care Network (LBD PCN) through a grant provided by the Government of Alberta via the Nurse Practitioner Support Program.

Space for the Thorsby and Warburg Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinics has been secured and while minor renovations to the spaces are being completed, Michelle will begin “meet and greets” with potential patients at the LBD PCN office in Leduc starting March 16th. If you live in Thorsby or Warburg or their surrounding communities and do NOT have a family physician, you can request a meet and greet with the Nurse Practitioner by calling 780-986-6624.

After your meet and greet, if you then think that the Nurse Practitioner is a good fit for you, you would then agree that Michelle will be your primary care provider and you will be counted on her patient panel. This means that you will see the Nurse Practitioner for your health care needs whenever possible. As a patient of an LBD PCN health care professional, you are then able to access any of the programs and services offered at the PCN.

Michelle will provide health services to individuals, families, and communities including health promotion, disease and injury prevention, and treatment of acute and chronic illness. NPs provide healthcare that is grounded in nursing care and includes the physical, emotional, social, and psychological aspects of your health. NPs can:

- Diagnose and treat illness and injury
- Perform physical examinations and screening interventions
- Order and interpret diagnostic tests, such as lab tests and x-rays
- Provide counselling and education
- Refer you to other healthcare professionals and specialists
- Prescribe medications
- Manage chronic diseases such as diabetes, COPD and asthma
- Provide palliative care

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For more information, please see the attached [FAQ](#) or see the contacts available, below.

To find out about programs and services offered at the LBD PCN, [please see our website](#).

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