



**Mental Health and Addictions
Community Mental Health and Addictions Clinics
Opioid Treatment and Recovery Program
Withdrawal Management Services
REFERRAL FORM**

NOTE: Primary Health Care providers can complete the following form for patients to access Mental Health and Addictions Program. People are welcome to call the provincial intake line to make a self-referral: **1-855-922-1122**.

INFORMATION FOR YOUR CLIENT / PATIENT:

- Please ensure your client / patient is aware that the referral is being made.
- Mental Health and Addictions Intake Service will attempt to contact the patient and leave a voicemail, when consent is provided. If the patient cannot be reached, the referring provider will be notified. Note the number will appear as MHA Intake.
- Given NSH facilities are teaching institutions, your client / patient can expect to have residents or students involved in their care.

Please fax this completed form (all pages) to the appropriate service location:

- Halifax area, Eastern Shore and West Hants: 902-461-2129
- South West, South Shore and Annapolis Valley areas: 902-678-4750
- Cape Breton, Antigonish and Guysborough areas: 902-567-3634
- Colchester-East Hants, Cumberland and Pictou areas: 902-461-7780

Date of referral (YYYY/MON/DD): _____

Service requested: ☐ Therapy ☐ Psychiatry

CLIENT / PATIENT INFORMATION	REFERRING PROVIDER INFORMATION
Name: _____	Referring provider: VirtualCareNS -
Parent / Guardian: _____	Phone Number: _____
Phone Number: _____	Full Address: _____
Full Address: _____	_____
_____	Fax: _____
Date of Birth (YYYY/MON/DD): _____	
Health Card #: _____ Expiry date: _____ (YYYY/MON/DD)	

Is there a need for an interpreter? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please specify which language: _____

Are there any accessibility concerns? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, please specify: _____

CONSENT TO CONTACT PATIENT / CLIENT / DELEGATE:

By confirming the information below, the referral source confirms that the patient gives their consent for the NSH Mental Health and Addictions to contact them regarding this referral.

☐ Patient / Client ☐ Delegate If Delegate, specify relationship to patient: _____

Consent to leave voicemail message at primary phone number (listed above): ☐ Yes ☐ No

Consent to mail letters to address above: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If there is an additional phone number to contact, please specify type (e.g., office, cell, etc.) and number: _____

Consent to leave voicemail at second contact number: ☐ Yes ☐ No

REASONS FOR REFERRAL:





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Completed By: VirtualCareNS - _____ (Print name and credentials)	Date completed: _____ (Signature) (YYYY/MON/DD)
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If your client / patient is at immediate risk of harming themselves or others, the patient should be directed to the nearest Emergency Department for assessment. Please ensure all patients are provided with the 24 / 7 provincial Crisis Line (1–888–429–8167) and Emergency resource information.

Please include the following (if possible):

- Relevant lab and test results
- Medication sheet
- Previous psychiatric consultations or discharge summaries
- Medical reports, physical findings and / or psychological findings

