

SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE IN PRIMARY HEALTH CARE



Social work is a regulated health profession in Newfoundland and Labrador. There are over 1700 social workers registered to practice social work throughout the province. Social workers adhere to a Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice in providing essential, competent, and high-quality services.

Registered Social Workers working in primary health care provide crucial and timely health care services to support optimal well-being by:

- Working with individuals and communities to ensure they are involved in decision making regarding their health and the health of their communities.
- Connecting people to appropriate services and advocating for essential health, social and community services.
- Providing individual or group education, mental health support or brief counseling.
- Working together, as a team of healthcare professionals, to provide care.
- Working with individuals, community members, healthcare professionals, programs, or organizations to build on strengths, understand challenges, and develop plans to meet individual and community needs.
- Working with individuals and community members to promote health, build healthy public policy and create environments which support healthy living.



Further information about the social work profession can be found at www.nlcsw.ca or by contacting:

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