

## SITE PROFILE - BELL ISLAND

### DR. WALTER TEMPLEMAN HEALTH CENTRE



#### Information about the Health Centre

The Dr. Walter Templeman Health Centre is a 20-bed facility that provides health services to approximately 2800 people. It is located in the town of Wabana, Bell Island.

Services provided at this facility include long-term, acute, palliative and respite care for inpatients, outpatients, 24 hour emergency service, community health nursing, mental health, social work and addictions counseling. A private dental clinic is also located within the centre. A physician or nurse practitioner is on call for after hour emergencies. There are out-patient clinics Monday to Friday.

The centre has three acute care, fifteen long-term care, one palliative and one respite care bed(s). Onsite Lab and X-ray, stores, medical records, facilities, housekeeping, mini pharmacy and volunteer services complement these services.

#### Community Information

General information about Bell Island can be found at:

1. [http://www.Bell\\_Island.net/](http://www.Bell_Island.net/) and
2. [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bell\\_Island](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bell_Island)

There are two grocery stores and several convenience stores on the island. The NLC outlet is also in the largest grocery store and it is walking distance from the facility. The convenience stores and second grocery store also have a good selection. Movie rentals are available.

There is a bakery across the street from the hospital. Linda's Grill is a short distance from the hospital. This restaurant offers typical restaurant fast food, but also offers home made soup and pizza. There are several pubs. One is attached to Dicks' Restaurant.

The post office is across the street from the hospital. There are several bed and breakfasts operating on the island. There are a number of cab companies operating on the island - mostly owner-drivers, so getting around without a private vehicle is possible. There is a Home Hardware just across the intersection from the hospital and a small variety store.

The arena is open for adult skating in the winter. There are plans in the works for equipment improvements that will turn this into an adult fitness centre in future.

There is a provincial library and great paths and trails all over the island for those who like to hike.

### **Ferry Information**

Information about the ferry schedule can be found at:  
[http://www.tw.gov.nl.ca/ferryservices/schedules/a\\_bipc.html](http://www.tw.gov.nl.ca/ferryservices/schedules/a_bipc.html)

### **Transportation, Accommodations, Orientation and Other Relevant Information**

Clinical Clerks and medical students are accommodated at the health centre whenever possible. The onsite accommodation includes a kitchenette should you wish to prepare your own food. Meals can be ordered from the facility kitchen. Orders must be placed before 9:30 a.m. each day. Meals average about \$4.00 each. Please have cash on hand as the facility does not accept debit or credit card.

You are responsible for keeping the accommodation clean while staying there. Damages or items missing from the accommodation will be your responsibility.

There are other accommodations available on the island. Rates for these vary. The Administrative Secretary at this site will assist in locating accommodations.

Approximately 25% of site staff commutes from off island so this is a viable option. All commuters are provided with a pass entitling them to a reduced fare and priority access for getting to work. Passes are arranged through the Administration Office at the facility.

Please wear your name tag at all times while in the facility. All Eastern Health facilities are scent free.

Contact Jean Kavanagh directly to discuss the time you should arrive at the centre on your first day, what time you will meet your preceptor, where to pick up your accommodation key and map, and particulars about your accommodation. A tour of Dr. Walter Templeman Health Centre is arranged for your first day at the centre.

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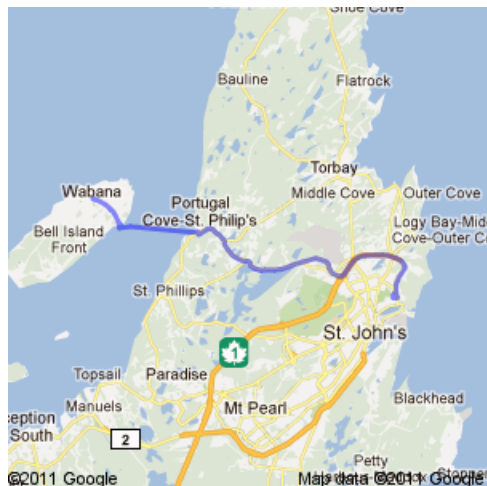
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### **Directions (as per Google Maps)**

1. Head south on Janeway PI toward Air Force Cir - 300 m
2. Sharp left onto Charter Ave - 220 m
3. Turn right to stay on Charter Ave - 57 m
4. Turn left onto Veterans Rd - 59 m
5. Turn left onto E White Hills Rd - 2.2 km
6. Continue onto Robin Hood Bay Rd - 500 m
7. Continue onto NL-1 W 4.1 km
8. Take exit 47A for Newfoundland and Labrador 40 N/Portugal Cove Road - 550 m
9. Merge onto Newfoundland and Labrador 40 N/Portugal Cove Rd Continue to follow Newfoundland and Labrador 40 N - 11.3 km
10. Turn right onto Roses Ln - 230 m
11. Slight left onto Ferry Ramp - 170 m
12. Take the Portugal Cove, NL - Bell Island, NL ferry to Bell Island - 5.1 km
13. Continue straight onto Ferry Ramp - 190 m
14. Slight left onto Beach Hill - 750 m
15. Continue onto Main St - 1.8 km
16. Turn right onto Railroad St - 68 m
17. Turn left Destination will be on the left - 38 m



**Office of Student Affairs** – Toll Free Number: 1-877-794-9740

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### **Rural Medical Education Network**

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The Rural Medical Education Network is a division of the Faculty of Medicine. The web site is: <http://www.med.mun.ca/RMEN/Home.aspx>.

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