



# PRESS RELEASE

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## Upcoming NSHN Temporary Emergency Department Closures - UPDATED

**UPDATE:** Coverage has been secured for the Richards Landing – Matthews Site on Wednesday April 30<sup>th</sup>. Closure notice remains in place for the Thessalon Site on Thursday May 1<sup>st</sup>.

The North Shore Health Network (NSHN) will be temporarily closing the Emergency Department at the following locations due to physician shortages:

- **THESSALON SITE:**

- From **8:00 am** on **Thursday May 1** and reopening at **8:00 am** on **Friday May 2**.

The North Shore Health Network continues to investigate all possible options to provide safe access to care. Efforts to find coverage are ongoing and should a physician be secured NSHN will reverse the closure and update the community as soon as possible.

**Anyone requiring immediate medical attention should call 9-1-1.** Ambulances will be re-routed to one of the following:

The closest Emergency Departments to the **Thessalon Site** are:

- Blind River Site – North Shore Health Network – 525 Causley St., Blind River, ON
- Richards Landing Site – North Shore Health Network – 1180 Richards St., Richards Landing, ON
- Sault Area Hospital – 750 Great Northern Rd., Sault Ste. Marie, ON

Access to services for non-emergent health advice or information is available by contacting Health811 by calling 8-1-1. Toll free TTY line: 1-866-797-007. Or start a live chat with an advisor online at:

<https://healthconnectontario.health.gov.on.ca>.

NSHN would like to thank the community for your continued patience and understanding during this time as we work with our partners toward sustainable resources to serve your healthcare needs. For further information please visit our website: [www.nshn.care](http://www.nshn.care) or via Facebook “North Shore Health Network.”

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