

OVERVIEW OF COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY NAME	Nipigon	<i>Updated February 2026</i>
MUNICIPAL WEBSITE	www.nipigon.net www.redrocktownship.com www.doriontownship.ca	www.rrib.ca www.rockybayfn.ca/
MAP WITH LOCATION		

FIRST NATION COMMUNITIES SERVED BY CLINICIANS

- Serves the Nipigon District catchment area including Hurkett, Dorion, Red Rock, Nipigon, Beardmore and surrounding First Nation Communities

COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

POPULATION AND DEMOGRAPHICS

Population of district catchment area: 4179

More demographics on Nipigon https://npi.communityaccounts.ca/profiles.asp?_vb7En4WVgYaSpHVqVWeU

Red Rock https://npi.communityaccounts.ca/profiles.asp?_vb7En4WVgYaSpHVqVWeR

Dorion https://npi.communityaccounts.ca/profiles.asp?_vb7En4WVgYaSpHVqVWaU

AMENITIES

Please view the links below for information:

- [Places to eat and shop](#)
- [Recreation facilities](#)
- [Health and educational services](#)
- [Food and beverages](#)



Tucked along the breathtaking north shore of Lake Superior in Northwestern Ontario, NDMH offers something many healthcare professionals are seeking — meaningful practice, professional autonomy, and the chance to truly know the community you serve.

We are a fully accredited, 37-bed rural hospital providing 15 acute care beds and 22 long-term care beds, supported by a 24/7 Emergency Department and urgent care services. Our integrated service model includes outpatient laboratory, diagnostic imaging, physiotherapy, telehealth, and a full range of essential in-house supports.

But what truly defines us is not our size — it is our scope, impact, and connection.

A Scope of Practice That Builds Confidence and Competence

At NDMH, professionals practise broadly and collaboratively. Whether you are an intern seeking hands-on learning, a locum looking for meaningful short-term impact, or a clinician ready to establish a rural practice, you will:

- Work at the top of your scope
- Develop strong interprofessional relationships
- See the direct outcomes of your care
- Build deep clinical confidence across diverse presentations

Our team of 130–140 dedicated staff and a close-knit physician group work side-by-side in an environment where your voice is heard and your expertise is valued.

Community-Rooted, Relationship-Driven Care

We serve approximately 4,100 residents across Nipigon, Red Rock, Dorion, Hurkett, Red Rock Indian Band – Lake Helen First Nation, and the Beardmore region, including Biinjitiwaabik Zaaging Anishinaabek and Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek.

We also operate the Beardmore Regional Health Centre — a Nurse Practitioner-led primary care clinic located 79 km east of Nipigon — expanding access to primary care across the district. As a proud member of the Noojmawing Sookatagaing Ontario Health Team, we are actively shaping rural system integration and people-centered care across Northwestern Ontario. This is healthcare where relationships matter — with patients, with colleagues, and with community partners.

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PRIMARY CARE MODEL / CLINIC SETUP / ALLIED HEALTH SUPPORT

The Nipigon Doctors Group is a RNPGEA (Rural Northern Physician Group Agreement) practice model with a complement of 5.5 physicians.

The Nipigon District Family Health Team is also onsite with a variety of allied health professionals supporting the communities.

OTHER CLINICAL VENUES AND SERVICES

- Health and educational services

SUPPORTS AND EXPECTATIONS FOR LOCUMS OR LEARNERS COMING TO THE COMMUNITY

TEACHING

Learn Where You Are Known

In Nipigon, learners are not anonymous. They are mentored, supported, and invited into the full scope of rural practice.

Our physicians take pride in teaching and provide direct, hands-on mentorship across emergency, inpatient, long-term care, and primary care settings. Rotations are flexible and tailored — whether you are seeking procedural exposure, continuity care experience, or deeper understanding of rural health systems.

Because of our integrated hospital and clinic model, learners see the full patient journey — from emergency presentation to follow-up in the community. This continuity is a rare and powerful educational experience.

Many learners discover that rural practice offers not only broad clinical skill development, but also professional fulfillment and community connection.

LIVING: HOUSING AND ACCOMMODATIONS

- Fully furnished Locum House and NOSM housing

TRANSPORTATION

Students/learners

The majority of learners travel to Nipigon in their own vehicle. The NOSM accommodation is located approximately 1.7 km from clinic/hospital, so learners have option to walk or bike as well.

Locums

The majority of locums rent vehicles from rental vehicle companies located within the Thunder

Bay Airport. Optional- choose to drive to Nipigon using their own vehicle. Locum house located approximately 2kms to clinic and hospital, so locums also have the option to walk or bike to work as well.

FOOD OPTIONS

There is one grocery store and several restaurants. Thunder Bay amenities are an hour away.

- [Places to eat, shop, stay](#)
- [Zechner's Food Mart](#)

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PHOTOS

Nipigon has a wealth of activities for all ages. Warm summer weather fosters perfect conditions for time spent on rugged hiking trails while snowy winter days are spent out on a lake ice fishing playing a quick hockey game. If you love outdoor adventures, Nipigon is surrounded by dramatic shorelines, freshwater lakes and rugged landscapes.





- Locum housing

