

CancerCare Manitoba bringing mobile mammography clinic to communities

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CancerCare Manitoba's (CCMB) BreastCheck mobile mammography clinic is accepting appointments for January and February, including clinics in two northern communities.

The mobile mammography clinic will visit the RM of Headingley, downtown Winnipeg, northwest Winnipeg, Oxford House and St. Theresa Point.

"Mammograms are an important tool for detecting breast cancer," said Laryssa Sawchuk, CCMB health educator. "The mobile clinic allows us to travel to communities across Manitoba to help provide women with convenient access to mammograms, including those living in remote areas."

Breast cancer is the second-leading cause of cancer death for women in Manitoba. Each year, there are 850 new cases and approximately 175 women die from the disease.

Eight out of 10 breast cancers occur in women aged 50 or older. CancerCare Manitoba recommends that most women aged 50 to 74 should have a screening mammogram every two years.

"A mammogram appointment takes between 10 and 20 minutes," said Sawchuk. "Women can make an appointment for a mobile or permanent clinic, such as the clinics in Brandon or Thompson."

CCMB has breast cancer screening clinics that are open year-round located at Misericordia Health Centre in Winnipeg, Boundary Trails Health Centre, Brandon Regional Health Centre and Thompson General Hospital. View the breast cancer screening clinic map at [cancercare.mb.ca/screening](https://www.cancercare.mb.ca/screening) (<https://www.cancercare.mb.ca/screening/breast>) to find nearby clinics and the mobile clinic schedule.

Appointments can be made by calling 1-855-95-CHECK (1-855-952-4325).

Mobile Mammography Clinic Schedule:

January 13-17: Headingley Community Centre, RM of Headingley

January 20-24: Access NorWest, Winnipeg

January 29-February 1: Oxford House Nursing Station, Oxford House

February 3-6: St. Theresa Point Nursing Station, St. Theresa Point

February 10-14: TAG Warehouse, 289 King Street near Access Downtown, Winnipeg

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