



**RIVER TREE
DEVELOPMENTS**

Land Acknowledgement



To demonstrate our ongoing commitment to reconciliation, we strive to take meaningful action to support positive change and progress in the communities we serve.

We would like to begin by acknowledging that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People. This territory is covered by the "Treaties of Peace and Friendship" which Mi'kmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) People first signed with the British Crown in 1725. The treaties did not deal with surrender of lands and resources but in fact recognized Mikmaq and Wolastoqiyik (Maliseet) title and established the rules for what was to be an ongoing relationship between nations.

We acknowledge that our organization conducts its business and operates across the vast and diverse lands of what is now called Nova Scotia. We recognize that these lands are still home to many diverse First Nations, Métis and Inuit people, and we recognize the enduring relationship that exists between them and their lands. We wish to honour and express gratitude towards the Indigenous peoples who have, and will continue to, steward these lands.

As a Nova Scotia healthcare organization, we recognize and acknowledge that Canada's history and legacy of colonialism has created health, social and economic inequities and disadvantages amongst First Nation, Métis, and Inuit people, including systemic racism within healthcare and other institutions. As an organization that is dedicated to equity, diversity, and inclusion, we have a role to play in reconciliation with Canada's Indigenous communities.



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