



Department of Emergency Medicine

# Weekly <sup>email</sup>

Updates for ED Physicians

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November 10, 2020

## COVID-19 Updates

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### Operational Update

[Click here for notes from Neil and Eddy.](#)

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### Wellness COVID Updates

1. Introducing.. the **Kudos Corner!**  
Our Calgary EM colleagues accomplish incredible things, big and small, every day, let's celebrate their accomplishments with everyone in our department! The Kudos Corner will celebrate a colleague, anonymously or not. Let's share gratitude and praise for the amazing people in our community. Please email Amani at [Amani.Otoom@albertahealthservices.ca](mailto:Amani.Otoom@albertahealthservices.ca) with the Kudos and it will be included in the next week's weekly newsletter.
  2. **Call your Peer Support Team.** The Peer Support Team member can provide an empathetic ear, screen for safety and guide you to resources that exist in our community (i.e PFSP).
  3. **Call Physician and Family Services (PFSP) – 1877SOS4MDS. THIS LINE IS AVAILABLE 24/7.** You have 6 free hours of counselling for yourself and 6 free for your family members.
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# Operations

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## SCM Updates!

NO SCM updates for this week (Nov 9 – 13)

### Joshua Vejprava RN BSc BN MBA

Clinical Informatician | IT Clinical Systems User Support – Calgary Zone | Clinical Services – IT | Alberta Health Services

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## New Calgary Zone Emergency Medicine app/resource for all relevant ED documents

Have you ever been frustrated trying to find an ED resource like the Spinal emergency pathway? Or the new hematuria pathway? Not sure if it exists on AHS insite or UCalgary EM website? We now have a solution! We have secured Zone wide funding for the My ED app (<https://my-emergency-department.com/>) **thanks to the Physician Support Fund**. We are currently building the content in the site so it's far from complete but we believe there is enough there now for people to start using it (and more importantly notify us of the content you want to include – email me See [the attached document](#) for all the details on how to access and tips/tricks. Special thanks to Hilary Ambrose and Katie Anker for leading the PEM component of this.

Shawn Dowling

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## 2020 Resource Round Up

[Please find attached info](#) on accessing resources provided by AHS and UofC to help facilitate your work in the region.

In previous years, this fan out generated email request for assistance. Please direct your technical questions to the vendor or UofC/AHS IT.

If you have any additional resources, please let me know, I will include them for next year.

- Christopher David Rebus

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# Physician Participation Needed!

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## Response needed! Calgary Zone Emergency Department Strategic Planning Survey – Phase 2 (!)

Dear Calgary ED MDs,

Thank you for your continued participation in the Calgary Zone Emergency Department Strategic Planning process. In October, nearly 100 members provided their input to shape the vision, mission and goals as part of the first stage of the department's strategic planning process. Based on member feedback, **we are now validating and expanding on what we heard in order to build consensus on the final content of the plan.**

Please respond by **Friday November 20, 2020**. Completing this survey should take approximately 15 minutes and your responses are anonymous. You may click save and return to the survey as required.

To access the survey, please [click here](#) or copy and paste the following link into your Internet browser:

<https://survey.alchemer-ca.com/s3/50089734/Emergency-Department-Strategic-Planning-Phase-2>

If you have any questions about the survey, please email Elizabeth Manafo.

We look forward to your input.

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**Please Sign This Petition to Support Improvements in our Billing:** <https://www.change.org/resolvmintegration>

I am working on a project that involves leveraging modern technology to build software that will dramatically improve our billing experience. This tool will provide granular financial feedback, insightful benchmarking and unprecedented transparency around rejected and refused claims. Later stages will employ machine learning and artificial intelligence to help maximize our revenue through automated billing code selection. In order to fully realize all the potential benefits of this software we need to integrate with Connect Care. AHS is currently choosing a limited number of third party vendors to pilot early integrations. Please consider signing this petition to help show AHS that you care about improving your billing experience. Please direct any questions to Marshall Ross.

Thanks for your support!

-Marshall Ross

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## Education. CME. Rounds

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### ED Virtual Rounds

**Date:** November 12<sup>th</sup> · 2020

**Time:** 0900 – 1000 MST (1.0 Education Credits)

**Speakers:** [\(Bios Here\)](#)

**Dr. Heidi Rabie**

Division Chief- Public Health Dental Clinics  
Chumir Dental Clinic

**Dr. Graham Cobb**

Professor Departments of Clinical Neurosciences and Radiology  
Deputy Department Head Clinical Neurosciences  
Director Calgary Stroke Program

**Dr. Benjamin Hughes BMSc, DDS**

Staff Dentist, Alberta Children's Hospital

**Topic: Dental Issues in the ER & AHS Referral Pathways**

**Evaluation form:**

Please fill out the evaluation form at <https://forms.gle/szfmBrmxiesjuGfg8>

**Please don't share the zoom link and connection details on social media or any website.**

**ZOOM session**

**Recording Link:**

Recordings of this Thursday's Grand Rounds will be available the following Tuesday on our website:

<https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/departments/emergency-medicine/professional-development/grand-rounds/grand-rounds-archive>

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## **November 19<sup>th</sup> ED Grand Rounds- Guest speaker: Dr. Reuben Strayer**

Dear colleagues,

You are invited to attend ED Grand Rounds about "Management of Agitation in the Emergency Department" presented by guest speaker Dr. Reuben Strayer on November 19<sup>th</sup>.

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## **Recording link, slides and reference: ED Grand Rounds- Nov 05. 2020**

**Moderator:** Dr. Kelsey MacLeod

**Guest speaker:** Kimberly Chernoby, MD, JD, MA ([Bio Attached](#))

Health Policy Fellow at George Washington University, Department of Emergency Medicine

**Topic:** "Pursuing Gender Equity in Emergency Medicine"

[Session's slides](#) & [reference](#)

**Second speaker:** Dr. Andrew Demchuk ([Bio Attached](#))

**Topic:** "Reversing Factor Xa inhibitor intracranial"

Click [here](#) for recording.

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## **Presenting at Research in Development Rounds**

Research in Development Rounds will be on Winter Hiatus until January 2021

(Nov/Dec no rounds)

If you would like a chance to present your study or research idea for refinement please contact

[Jillian.vandenbrand@ahs.ca](mailto:Jillian.vandenbrand@ahs.ca)

[Stephanie.vandenberg@ucalgary.ca](mailto:Stephanie.vandenberg@ucalgary.ca)

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## **Journal Club**

**Date:** November 19, 2020

**Time:** 1800 hrs

**Presenters:** Drs. Brett Shaw and Miles Hunter

**Preceptor:** Dr. Mike Szava-Kovats

[Questions](#)

**Topic 1:** Wellness discussion highlighting moments of gratitude

**Topic 2:** Clinical Practice Guideline review on the diagnosis of acute aortic syndrome

<https://www.cmaj.ca/content/192/29/E832>

Ohle R, Yan JW, Yadav K et al. Diagnosing acute aortic syndrome: a Canadian clinical practice guideline.

CMAJ 2020 July 20;192:E832-43. doi: 10.1503/cmaj.200021

## **Join JC by Zoom**

Best Regards

Brett Shaw & Miles Hunter

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**EDI LUNCH & LEARN- DIVERSE LEARNERS & COURSE DESIGN: INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY IN THE CLASSROOM THROUGH UNIVERSAL DESIGN** \*\*Open to everyone, but presentation is directed towards Faculty & Staff\*\*

**An accessible classroom benefits everyone!!!** Join OPED & OFDP on December 3<sup>rd</sup> for an informative **Lunch & Learn** where our presenters from Student Accessibility Services will describe the trend in student support needs and how universal design can respond to learner diversity. Let's work together to

reduce barriers **create an accessible, equitable and supportive learning environment** that enhances each student's academic and personal development.

**WHO:** Hosted by **OPED, OFDP** & presented by **Student Accessibility Services**

**WHAT:** EDI Lunch & Learn – Diverse Learners & Course Design: Increasing Accessibility in the Classroom Through Universal Design

**WHEN:** December 3, 2020 12:30 – 1:30 PM

**WHERE:** ZOOM

**HOW:** Register at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/127336054567>

*Offered in partnership by the Office of Professionalism, Equity and Diversity and the Office of Faculty Development and Performance*

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## Opportunities

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### **Call for Abstracts - [OHMES Symposium 2021](#)**

**Abstracts due 7 December 2020 to [ohmes@ucalgary.ca](mailto:ohmes@ucalgary.ca)**

Registration will open in January, and a confirmed event schedule will be available at that time. The Call for Abstracts for orals, posters, videos and workshops is open until 7 December 2020, with details at <https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/office/ohmes>.

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### **RGH Assistant Site Chief**

*Sent on behalf of Scott Banks.*

ED Physicians:

The Department of Emergency Medicine invites applications for the position of Rockyview General Hospital Assistant Site Chief. This position represents a great opportunity to get involved in the leadership of the Calgary Zone Department of Emergency Medicine, and influence real change.

The Emergency Department Rockyview General Hospital Assistant Site Chief position is a **0.1FTE role** and is compensated at the rate of **\$23,199 annually (\$1,933.25 monthly)**. This position is available **effective January 1, 2021**.

To apply for this opportunity, please email me a cover letter highlighting your interest and skillset for this position along with an updated CV.

Cover letters and CV's should be emailed to Scott Banks and should be received no later than **November 20, 2020**.

### **[RGH Assistant Site Chief Role Description](#)**

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#### **Train-the-Trainer Opportunity - Implicit Bias**

Are you passionate about improving the CSM community? Are you experienced at teaching or facilitating for groups of coworkers or students? Do you have any time to give?

If the answers are yes, then we want YOU!

We are starting a train-the-trainer initiative to deliver Implicit Bias training across the CSM community. If you would like to be trained to deliver these sessions in the future, **please**

**email Kelly Turner and indicate your availability (8-12 or 1-5) for the following dates: November 23 or 30.**

Initial training will take place on the date that works for the majority of respondents. Additional training dates may be added, dependent on interest.

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## ED Highlights

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A huge congratulations to our 2019-2020 PGY-5 residents **Drs. David Mainprize, Nick Packer, Ken Chan and Steve Liu** who all successfully PASSED their Royal College Emergency Medicine Exam this Fall. We are so proud of you all for your hard work despite all the pandemic related challenges!!!

Catherine, Anj and Madhavi

## Kudos Corner

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Thank you to my (white male) colleague who asked me how he can support me better in the resuscitation room. He had recently learned that as a visible minority female running a resuscitation, the dynamic changes when any white male physician enters the room. The nurses gravitate for answers and direction from them. He asked me how he could help and then later that day, announced me as the primary ED MD in the resus room and identified himself as back up and respectfully allowed me to lead. Thank you for stepping up and using your privilege to foster space for me in the resus room. Thank you for asking the hard questions, it means more than you know!

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