



Department of Emergency Medicine

Weekly **email**

Updates for ED Physicians

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October 20, 2020

COVID-19 Updates

Wellness CoVID Updates

1. **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).
2. **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.
3. This is a great video about tools for shift workers to protect sleep. The recommendations are evidence based. They discuss the idea of banking sleeping, strategic use of caffeine, assessing sleep health. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=radDJBH8DsQ&feature=youtu.be>

Operations

Calgary Rapid Access Addiction Medicine(RAAM) program

We will be adding the referral form for the **Rapid Access Addiction Medicine (RAAM)** program to sharepoint.

Please refer appropriate patients using the attached referral form. Please refer patients when appropriate using [the attached referral form](#). You can provide the patient with a [copy of the attached brochure](#) for more details about the program.

This program offers a rapid access to a variety of addiction treatment and services. Patients can self-refer as well. Ongoing addiction counseling and care is provided until patients can transition to their family doctor.
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SCM Updates

There are no scheduled ED SCM changes for the week of October 19th to 23rd, 2020 as we are currently in a change freeze. The change freeze started on October 17th and will be going on until November 8th.

Eddy El-Haddad

Senior Clinical Informatician

Physician Participation Needed!

Voting for CFPC Board Directors

Message from Dr. Eddy Lang:

Hi team

Our own Dr. Charles Wong is running for a board seat (member at large) with the College of Family Physicians of Canada. If you are a member you will have received on October 14 asking for you to complete an online ballot. I would strongly recommend Charles for this role based on his leadership skills and accomplishments let alone the value of having an EM / Urgent Care voice on the board.

Thank you.

Eddy

Message from Dr. Charles Wong:

Hello Calgary ER colleagues:

As some of you know, my name has been put forward for election to the Board of Directors for the CFPC. Those of you who are CFPC members will have already received an e-mail with your personal link to vote (subject —> "IMPORTANT REMINDER: Vote for CFPC Board Directors – your personalized link"). I hope to use the platform to raise awareness at our College regarding the issues facing MDs in Alberta. Thanks for considering giving me your vote!

Charles Wong

Preceptors needed for academic day sessions

The FRCPC and CCFP-EM residency programs are looking for preceptors for the following Academic Day sessions. As preceptor, you will guide the resident assigned to delivering the session with regards to content and style, and will be present during the session to help facilitate discussion. Please email Dr. Anjali Pandya directly with a list of any sessions you would be willing to assist with. Thank you very much for your consideration in these busy times!

- *January 28 13:00-15:00 Pediatric Respiratory Emergencies*
- *January 28 15:00-17:00 Allergy/Anaphylaxis and Immune Reactions*
- *February 4 13:00-15:00 Electrolyte Abnormalities*
- *February 4 15:00-17:00 Hand*
- *February 11 13:00-15:00 Oncologic Emergencies*
- *February 18 13:00-14:00 Electrical and Lightning Injuries*
- *February 25 13:00-15:00 Syncope*
- *February 25 15:00-16:00 Peds Endo Emergencies*
- *February 25 16:00-17:00 Peds Hydration*
- *March 4 13:00-14:00 Myopericarditis*
- *March 4 14:00-15:00 Peripheral Vascular Disease*
- *March 25 13:00-15:00 Geriatric Medicine*
- *March 25 15:00-16:00 Facial & Soft tissue infections*
- *March 25 16:00-17:00 Bone & Joint Infections*

- *April 1 13:00-15:00 DIC and Disorders of Hemostasis*
- *April 1 15:00-16:00 Disorders of small and large bowel*
- *April 1 16:00-17:00 GI Bleeds*
- *April 8 13:00-14:00 Maxillofacial Trauma”*

Anjali

Physicians needed for ED Treatment Plans

We have many vulnerable patients who require ED Treatment Plans to make their care safer and more consistent. We are seeking volunteer MD authors at all 4 adult sites. The role consists of performing a chart review, consulting with the family doctor and/or specialists, and drafting a treatment plan. Templates and supports are readily available. Time commitment is approximately 4-6 hours per plan and counts towards your 24 hours of service. This work is highly valued by our department, and physicians report that it is interesting and rewarding. Please contact Christine East.

Publication and Grant Tracking Information Request

It's the most wonderful time of the year!

Publication and Grant Tracking time is here.

Did you have a publication or a grant application accepted in the 2019/2020 academic year?

We want to hear about it for the annual report.

This is our time to shine.

Let us know your grant and publication information for 2019/2020 before it's too late.

Please send any publications, grant information or a copy of your CV with the required info highlighted.

Hodsman Lecture Survey and Update

For six years, we have honoured the memory of our colleague Dr. Mike Hodsman. The funds originally raised in his memory have been fully spent on high value CME events. We would like you to consider whether we should continue to honour Dr. Hodsman's memory, or re-brand our lecture series to honour the memory or retirements of other long-serving department members. Please complete this single-question survey.

Survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9VYXWB5>

Our Committee is also looking to add 1-2 new fresh faces to our planning committee. If this is something you're interested in, feel free to email either Colleen Carey or Marcie Veitch if you have any questions or if you are interested in joining the team. The Committee meets 5-6 times per year (recent meetings have all been via Zoom).

Thank you for your time.

Your Hodsman Lecture Planning Committee,

Colleen Carey, Aaron Johnson, Eddy Lang, Marcie Veitch, Ashlea Willmot and Fareen Zaver

ED Virtual Rounds Needs Assessment Survey

As you all know, over the last 6 months we have transitioned to virtual grand rounds given COVID physical distancing requirements. In order to evaluate the quality of the virtual rounds and identify opportunities for improvement, we are asking you to take 2-3 minutes to fill out this survey:

https://survey.ucalgary.ca/jfe/form/SV_dcDuqmHvgS8mqmp.

Results from this will help guide the future of grand rounds in the Calgary zone and provide us an opportunity to share our experience with other ED's. This survey received ethics exemption from REB as it was deemed to be a Quality Improvement initiative.

- Shawn Dowling

ACLS/PALS Course - ER Group - Nov 3/4

ACLS - November 3 - \$275

PALS - November 4 - \$325

South Health Campus

Includes BLS

Contact Dawn McKeveitt if interested.

Education. CME. Rounds

PEM Rounds

Presenter: David Lendrum

Topic: Managing Escalating Patients (and how to not get hurt)

PEM Grand Rounds

Presenters: Jason Baserman & Pat Mihalicz

Research in Development Rounds

Date & Time: Thursday, October 22, 2020 at 10:15am

Presenter: Dirk Chisholm

Title: Where did all the injuries go? Impact of the early COVID-19 pandemic on the incidence of traumatic injuries presenting to Adult EDs in a large urban centre.

Future dates:

Jan 28, 2021 10:15 AM

Feb 25, 2021 10:15 AM

Mar 25, 2021 10:15 AM

Apr 22, 2021 10:15 AM

May 27, 2021 10:15 AM

Jun 24, 2021 10:15 AM

Jul 22, 2021 10:15 AM

Aug 26, 2021 10:15 AM

Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.
Monthly.

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

Recording link for ED Grand Rounds. Oct 15, 2020

Speakers ([Bios Here](#)): Dr. Melanie Molina & Dr. Anita Chary

Moderator: Dr. Fareen Zaver

Topic: "Responding to Microaggressions in Medicine"

This presentation will discuss common forms racism in medicine and introduce

Click [here](#) for recording.

Material for "Responding to Microaggressions in Medicine" ED Grand rounds- Oct 15, 2020

1. [PPT Presentation](#)
 2. [Article: Disarming Racial Microaggressions: Microintervention Strategies for Targets, White Allies, and Bystanders.](#) Derald Wing Sue, Sarah Alsaidi, Michael N. Awad, Elizabeth Glaeser, Cassandra Z. Calle, and Narolyn Mendez.
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Medical Staff Info - Violence against physicians educational seminars

On behalf of Dr. Debrah Wirtzfeld Associate Chief Medical Officer, Physician Health, Diversity & Wellness, please see the below information regarding Violence against physicians educational seminars being held on October 21st and 27th:

<https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/cme/series/PROactive>

The PROactive Alliance has developed a series of moderated panel conversations entitled "Healthy Conversations | Healthy Colleagues" to offer opportunities to discuss issues of concern affecting safety in the workplace, ideas about how to enhance safety, what processes are available, and the organizational and

regulatory commitments that support safety for providers. There will be five theme based events scheduled to take place over the fall of 2020 and the winter of 2021.

AHA Guidelines Release

The 2020 AHA Guidelines for CPR/Resuscitation will be published on Wednesday this week.

The AHA is hosting a virtual event, including a review of the new guidelines, from 830am-1000am MST, Wednesday, October 21st.

The link to register for this free event is: <https://cpr.heart.org/en/resuscitation-science/the-guidelines-virtual-experience>

Changes to the Mental Health Act

When: Thursday, October 22nd, 2020

Time: 12:00pm to 1:00pm

Presented by: Nicholas Mitchell

Join Zoom Meeting

Contact for this Grand Rounds: M. Anne Enders,
Administrative Assistant and CPD Coordinator
Mathison Centre for Mental Health Research & Education
Department of Psychiatry
University of Calgary

ED Drug Newsletter

[October 2020.](#)

ACEP20 Scientific Assembly Unconventional

The world's largest EM conference will be this year's must-attend online experience - Oct. 26-29. It's been quite a year - now is the time to come together more than ever before to feel the connections, lift up each other, and learn as much as we can to continue to kick ass as emergency physicians!

Click here to register: <https://webapps.acep.org/meetingsv1/registration.aspx?mcode=ACEP-20>

Opportunities

Medical Director Advanced Technical Skills Simulation Laboratory

The ATSSL is a state-of-the-art facility that allows medical trainees and practicing professionals the opportunity to acquire, practice and develop their skills in a safe learning environment. The facility opened in 2014, and offers a full complement of simulation modalities from human and cadaveric tissue procedural skills to theater-based simulation for all learners in pre-licensure and licensed health professional education in the University of Calgary (UCalgary) and Alberta Health Services (AHS). This includes medical students, postgraduate medical residents, practicing physicians, nursing students, nurses, and allied health professionals. In 2018, the ATSSL was granted accreditation as a Simulation Program from the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

[See attachment for complete job description.](#)

The Medical Director ATSSL reports to the Senior Associate Dean Education.

The successful candidate must have an MD; must have leadership experience; be a respected educator and scholar; and have proven ability to collaborate and sustain relationships within the Faculty.

The position is 0.2 FTE with a start date of December 01, 2020.

Deadline for receipt of applications is November 13, 2020.

Please submit a statement of interest and curriculum vitae to:

Beverly Adams MD, FRCPC (she/her)

Senior Associate Dean Education

Cumming School of Medicine

University of Calgary

Medical Director – Physician Support Services: Continuing Medical Education and Professional Development (CME&PD)

Background:

The University of Calgary, Continuing Medical Education & Professional Development (CME&PD) is fully accredited by the Committee on Accreditation of Canadian Medical Education (CACME) and is an accredited CPD provider for the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCPSC). We offer a broad range of evidence-based learning opportunities to physicians, other health professionals and the public in a variety of formats from face-to-face, online and blended learning. The support we provide includes accreditation consultation, professional course design, event planning and management, and physician remediation services.

Medical Director, Physician Support Services reports to the Associate Dean, CME&PD and works closely with the Assistant Dean, Personalized Learning. Two major activities the incumbent will support are: 1) Alberta Physician Assessment & Support Services (APASS) program, and 2) developing a Peer Coaching for Practicing Professionals program. APASS provides educational support and assessment of physicians referred through the College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta (CPSA). The program operates at arm's length from the CPSA and does not make decisions regarding fitness to practice or licensure as these determinations are the exclusive purview of the CPSA.

APASS and Peer Coaching is premised upon directly observed learning experiences in the clinical setting and/or practice-data informed learning needs with recommendations to participate in other learning programs/courses, directed reading, or standardized patient experiences. In addition APASS will match physicians with experienced clinical preceptors and assessors and includes the provision of detailed suggestions for remediation, including resources to address the deficits.

Responsibilities:

- The Medical Director, Physician Support Services will work under independent direction to:
- Contribute to Peer Coaching for Practicing Professionals in development of framework and strategies to advance Physician Practice Improvement
- Develop Focused Learning Plans and monitor progress of APASS referees
- Identify, recruit and develop clinical preceptors and assessors
- Identify risks, troubleshoot and provide input to the Assistant Dean and Associate Dean
- Guide development and delivery of CPD activities to support both physicians within APASS and those participating in practice improvement; with special reference to quality learning objectives, educational design, and conflict of interest management
- Collaborate with internal and external academic, clinical, regulatory and professional bodies to facilitate shared activities and resources in order to meet the needs of the APASS objectives

- Liaise with CPSA and CME leadership to ensure highest standards are met for accredited learning activities
- Participate in the creation and dissemination of scholarship around best practices in remediation

FTE: 0.1FTE to 0.2FTE

Other Requirements:

- GFT and clinical faculty members are eligible to apply
- Experience in undergraduate or post-graduate coaching and/or remediation is an asset
- Strong interpersonal skills and leadership experience with proven ability to collaborate and sustain relationships within the faculty

Term: Appointment to March 31, 2021, renewable contingent on refunding.

Posting open until filled.

Dr. Kelly W. Burak, MD, FRCPC, MSc(Epid)

Associate Dean, Continuing Medical Education & Professional Development

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[Read more here.](#)