



Department of Emergency Medicine

Weekly email

Updates for ED Physicians

Operations

SEC Downtime - Aug 29

There is a scheduled monthly SEC downtime happening early Thursday Aug 29 00:30 - 04:30 (affecting the Wednesday overnight shift).

During this time, the downtime tracking board will be active and lab results will print but not be visible in Netcare. REPAC will be offline and the public wait time tracking will be unavailable.

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Low risk forearm fracture guidelines

Coming to the SharePoint Peds folder (and already on the google drive), guidelines for what constitutes a low risk forearm fracture, and management/patient handouts for low risk forearm fracture, buckle fracture and pulled elbow!

Access the google drive folder here: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1zoP8YuTKq2T3h1iLgF91-wA9xXib-WR->

- Hilary Ambrose

Calgary Emergency Physician Support Fund (PSF)

Mandate:

1. To support initiatives brought forward to the committee by individual members or departmental leadership which are likely to improve the intellectual, clinical and/or working environment of emergency physicians practicing within the Calgary area.
2. To provide top-up funding for the residency programs when appropriate other funding is not available.

Oversight Committee Members:

Co-Chairs: Heather Patterson, Arun Abbi

Treasurer: Arun Abbi

Members: Andrew Fagan, Eileen Kabaroff, Marshall Ross, Bryan Young

Secretary: Lilian Prudencio

Member Contributions:

Members will contribute \$20 per shift worked to the fund, to an annual maximum of \$1800.

Funds will be collected by the department by twice annually by direct bank withdrawal, notification by email occurs prior to withdrawal of funds.

Membership and contributions are entirely voluntary and can be terminated at any time upon notification provided to the PSF Committee.

Date of Withdrawal: October 1, 2019

[Application to the PSF for Project Funding:](#)

Thank you for your interest in applying to the PSF. Projects proposals will be reviewed by the PSF governance committee and receive approval, conditional approval, or refusal of funding. Documents may be submitted to Lilian Prudencio.

When submitting your application, please consider that funded projects must lead to benefit for the physician group. Deliverables may include sessions offered to members, presentations, commitment to taking on leadership roles, etc.

Please submit a document including the following information.

- Applicant's Names:
- Project Title:
- Description of Project and Objective:
- Rationale as to Why the PSF Should Fund This Request:
- Project Timeline including Deliverables:
- Total Budget Amount:
- Detailed Budget Breakdown:

Thank you for considering this important request for funding!

Physician participation needed!

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November and December Clerk Teaching

Just 3 slots to fill in the 2019 teaching schedule. These teaching activities are remunerated.

Bedside Teaching. Please note these can now occur at any site.

Dec 12 afternoon

Observed History and Physical.

Nov 11 FMC 12:30-14:00 (2 students)

Dec 10 RGH 0815-09 (1 student)

Please email me directly if you can fill any of these slots. Thanks all.

Gavin Greenfield

Need Preceptors to Teach Procedural Skills

We are still seeking preceptors for 3 of our upcoming Procedural Skills sessions.

Specifically we are still in need of Preceptors for the following upcoming sessions:

- Casting/Splinting on Sept. 6th from 3:30-5:30. (Paired with an ortho-tech to co-teach)
- Ultrasound Guided Paracentesis & Vascular Access on Sept. 6th from 3:30-5:30
- Casting/Splinting on Oct. 18th from 1:30-3:30 and from 3:30-5:30. (Paired with an ortho-tech to co-teach)

If you are interested in teaching any of the above sessions please email me back at medskill@ucalgary.ca

Shauna Bonnett
Program Coordinator

Pediatric Mobile Outreach Sim in the PLC ED

Looking for 1 more physician to participate on Sept 9th from 8am-12pm
Please email Brock if interested or for more details!

Preceptors for Key Concept Rnds – September 05 to December 19,2019

Three sessions left for Key Concept rounds teaching for **October 24, November 21 & December 05, 2019**. All volunteers are greatly appreciated. Remuneration is \$150 per hour, or \$225 total per session. Each session runs 10:30 am to noon on Thursdays following departmental rounds. The room will be notified later. Sessions are small group format targeted at clinical clerks and off-service PGY-1 and PGY-2 residents. Please send the responses to cgyemergelectives@albertahealthservices.ca
Modules are provided to minimize preparation time and the topics and dates follow:

Blk 05

October 24 Dyspnea

Blk 06

November 21 Chest Pain

December 5 Shock

Thanks all

- Meira Louis, MD, FRCPC

Coordinator of Elective and Off-Service Resident Education

Education. CME. Rounds

Summer Rounds: August 29,2019

9:00 AM -10:00 AM COOMBS Theatre
Topic: EKG ST Elevation ; Inflammatory Markers
Presenters: Drs. Ben Sheppard and Daniel Metcalf

Clinical Pharmacology & Toxicology Pearl of the Week - [Edoxaban \(Lixiana\)](#)

PLUS EM - Foundations of Leadership in Emergency Medicine workshop

Workshop led by Dr. David Keegan for distribution/promotion it to your department.

[PLUS EM - Foundations of Leadership in Emergency Medicine](#)

This two day event will explore your leadership identity in Emergency Medicine, how it changes under crisis, and how it interacts with other identities. PLUS EM will also walk you through applying your leadership strengths to launching new initiatives and working in team.

Registration fee includes materials, lunch, coffee, and snacks.

November 28 - Rose Room, 3rd Floor TRW, Foothills Campus

December 19- G639, Health Sciences Centre, Foothills Campus

Registration Link: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/plus-em-foundations-of-leadership-in-emergency-medicine-tickets-68499591121>

Questions/clarifications can be sent to Fareen Zaver.

Journal Club - Hosts Needed

Monthly journal clubs will be starting up again come September. We are looking for staff who are willing to host journal club. For those of you who are new to Calgary, we typically will have journal club at a staff physician's home— a practice we feel has helped foster greater collegiality.

As a staff host, you are only required to host attendees between 1800-2100 on the evening in question. Monetary reimbursement is provided up to \$750 for hosts to provide dinner/ non-alcoholic drinks. You just have to provide your receipts to the Program Administrator. (Alcohol is not covered)

Each journal club is preceptored by a staff from our research department, and the articles and discussion topics are prepared ahead of time by individual residents. What this means, is that as a journal club host, you are not responsible for any of the academic requirements of the evening.

Most Journal Clubs see approx. 25 - 35 ppl in attendance. However, we do see larger groups in the fall due to med students and Family Med residents applying to CaRMs. So during the months of September, October and November of 2017 you should anticipate for an approximate number of 40 – 50 participants.

If you have any questions, please direct them to Katie Anker or Tri Surendra Malasani (Tris).

If you can host, please let me know and I can send confirmation based on the responses I receive.
Tri Surendra Malasani (Tris)

This year's journal club dates are:

2019

- September 12
- October 17
- December 12

2020

- January 16
- February 20
- March 19
- April 16
- May 14

Regards
- Tris

ED Highlights

Save the date: Thursday September 5th Emergency Medicine Team Building Day!

The residents are hosting their annual team building day on September 5th at Bowness Park. This event is meant for all staff and FRCPC/EM/PEM residents. Come for games in the park at 13:00 followed by a BBQ at 17:30. If you plan on coming, please RSVP using the link:

RSVP: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/J6SJGJ2>

On behalf of the residents, thank you to the staff for supporting our education. We would love to see you all out! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ryan Wilkie.

New Publication: [How is quality of cardiopulmonary resuscitation being assessed? A national survey of Canadian emergency medicine physicians](#)

Natasha Wright, Yiqun Lin and Adam Cheng

ED GALA 75% SOLD!!! One month and counting down...

Planning has continued and the committee is needing to hear from you and your RSVP. Always a memorable time, we want to ensure you don't miss out.

Tickets \$160

Etransfer to Dr. Laurie-Ann Baker If password used please use: Gala2019

Monies raised help support our DOAP team

When: September 26, 2019

Where: Fairmont Palliser

What: all about FUN – dinner, dance, silent auction, wine draws, a few applauses to highlight the ED and all its team – lets socialize!!

AWARD NOMINATIONS:

Nominations are still open but time is running out to nominate your colleagues – who has stood out this year? Who seems to be putting in endless time and effort for the good of the department and emergency medicine? Who came up with some innovative ideas this year? Who was the colleague that seemed to always help out when needed and quietly just went about what was needed? Thank you to those who have submitted to date – we are really wanting to be in the “KNOW” - we want to acknowledge that extra effort big and small and highlight those that have gone above and beyond. The deadline is approaching fast – Send me a name and a reason for their nomination – it's easy!! Also we still need more nominees for the Humanitarian Award and the Hodsman Life Long Learning Award..... I'm waiting..... -----

----- Happy Summer everyone! For the past 6 years, we have held the ED Gala. This event is the only one of its kind in our city where we have an opportunity to socialize with our colleagues from all five sites (FMC, RGH, PLC, SHC, ACH). Although the main intention of the Gala is to celebrate what we do each and every day in the ED, it is also a chance to highlight the many “above and beyond” successes that have also

occurred across the city; many of which we are not aware. Recently we requested and have received feedback for the event in an effort to keep improving the Gala and reflect on what our ED group wants to celebrate. Overwhelmingly, the feedback from the group indicated they wished to keep this annual event going and ensure that all of the physicians felt a part of the celebration; you have spoken and we have listened. This year the Gala planning committee wants to put an emphasis on celebrating all success amongst its members – highlight events, projects, processes, achievements, research projects, educational roles, leadership endeavors that many of our physicians often quietly work on with one goal: Improving Patient Care and Advancing Emergency Medicine Care In expanding this goal we have thus opened up our nomination criteria and look to bring to light the work of many. Each nominee will be highlighted at the Gala in September with special recognition from all who attend. Although the actual formal awards piece of the Gala is going to be shortened, we hope to have opportunity during the mingling and socializing where these achievements can be discovered and highlighted. Please give some thought to the colleagues out there that are giving that extra time and effort and working in many ways to improve emergency medicine on the front lines, in the background, in the office, on another continent, etc – lets celebrate the work that is done everyday!

Nominations will be accepted until August 31, 2019 Online voting will occur Sept 1 – 15, 2019 **Nominations are now being accepted for the following: Outstanding ED Clinician** (Awards for each site are given so please indicate the site you are nominating for) - this award is given to a physician who works hard and has taken on roles either formally or informally to help improve emergency care. This may be someone who consistently steps up clinically quietly just working through a department in mayhem, a team player who promotes collegiality and care of colleagues, a strong patient advocate who works hard to both sustain and improve clinical practice in the ED through example), an individual who took on a research project looking at ways to improve patient care or ED process, a leader who exemplifies integrity or provides mentorship, an educator who goes above and beyond, etc, etc. This may be someone who has stood out in just the past year with a project, a committee, an education or research endeavour or just a non-formal “do good” task, – essentially it is your selection for MD of the year. The nomination must include the reasons for your nomination and a note on why you feel our group should highlight the achievement **Mike Hodsman Life Long Learning Award** - A physician who exemplifies life long learning and in doing so contributes to the practice of emergency medicine in Calgary. Previous recipients include: Dr Mike Betzner, Dr Bill Wertzler, Dr Bryan Young, Dr Shawn Dowling, Dr. Gord McNeil **Humanitarian Award** - Physicians who outside of emergency medicine have contributed in areas of global medicine, work with vulnerable populations or other humanitarian endeavors. Previous recipients include: Dr Maya Harari, Dr. Cheris Nissen-Jordan, Dr Ian Wishart, Dr. Don Bethune, Dr Tim Souster, Dr. Pauline Head, Dr. Scott Farquharson Please note: Recognition to the **Outstanding Rookie** will again be awarded. We will list all eligible physicians on the voting ballot. This gives people time to consider the physician who is strong clinically, meets much of the criteria for outstanding clinician above but is also in their first two years of practice. A list will be provided in a subsequent email to indicate those who are eligible for this award -----

TICKETS FOR THIS 2019 EVENT ARE 50% SOLD OUT.... PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO RESERVE YOUR TICKETS – DON’T MISS OUT ON THIS ONCE A YEAR OPPORTUNITY!! This is a great time to get to know your colleagues across the city, socialize with our significant others and just have a good time.... BUY YOUR TICKETS!! TICKETS \$160/PERSON email Dr. Laurie-Ann Baker

to hold your spot. Etransfer is preferred – Password: Gala2019 If another method is preferred please let me know ----- Thanks everyone –

looking forward to hearing from all of you!! Nominations and Tickets..... Do it today! Sincerely,
Laurie-Ann On behalf of the ED Gala planning committee

Send over your nominees to **Dr. Laurie-Ann Baker**

We look forward to hearing from you!

BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY!!

ER NURSES NIGHT - OCTOBER 9, 2019

Where: The Ace Night Club / 111 7th Ave SW

Catering: Palomino Smoke House

When: 1930 - 0200

As you all know ER nurses night is coming up quick and what better way to enjoy nurses night than have extra money for food and drinks. I will be selling raffle tickets starting Sept 7th for a 50/50 draw and the winner will receive a wine basket and the rest of the money will go towards ER nurses night. Draw ends Sept 30th by midnight. \$5 for 1 ticket, \$20 for five tickets, \$40 for 10 tickets.

Thanks,

Your friendly neighborhood social planner

Aka. Nicole Groholski RN

Opportunities

Leadership Opportunities in UME

We have a couple of leadership roles posted if you are interested and want to get even more involved in UME.

Here is the link: <https://www.ucalgary.ca/mdprogram/node/523>

Yellowknife ER Work

The following dates are still available for Yellowknife ER work:

Oct 23 - 31

Oct 25 - Nov 2

Nov 14 - 22

Dec 29 - Jan 5

Dec 25 - Jan 1 (tentative)

These dates include travel and an orientation day. We pay a flat daily rate for locum work in the NWT. The ER rate in Yellowknife is \$1512 for the 8-hour day and eve shifts, and \$1701 for the 9-hour night shift. Flights and accommodations are provided. Travel days are paid in both directions.

We have just opened the new hospital in Yellowknife: <https://www.stantonrenewal.ca/>

2019 CAMSS Physician Advocacy Award

Nominations for the 2019 Physician Advocacy Award are now being accepted. Who deserves to be recognized for exemplifying the spirit behind the CAMSS mission statement: "Advocating for Physicians, Caring for Patients"?

Your CAMSS executive encourages you to nominate a fellow Physician(s) who you believe to be deserving of this award. The nomination form available on our website along with more information about this award: <http://albertazmsa.com/advocacy-award>

Please submit your nomination form to our office zmsadmin@albertadoctors.org by midnight on September 27, 2019.

Save the Date! The award will be presented at the CAMSS Annual General Meeting on November 13, 2019 at Fort Calgary.

Innovation4Health- Call for Challenges; Emergency Medicine

The 2019 Innovation4Health Hack Competition is a multidisciplinary hackathon program to bridge disciplinary gaps and address challenges in Child Health and Wellness. The program will facilitate 25-30 projects that align with one or more of our strategic themes: care transformation, research impact, global health, and big data.

The program unfolds over 6 weeks between October 9 and November 25. The third annual program is supported by ACHRI, ACHF, the Owerko Centre and Mama n Mtoto Tanzania, the Schulich School of Engineering, and Telus Spark. To learn more, you can visit the website at: www.innovation4health.com. Specifically, we are currently seeking individuals with knowledge of challenges in child health and wellness.

- [Innovation4Health info sheet](#)
- [Call for challenges!](#)

For any questions about the submission process, you can contact challenges@healthhackcompetition.com
