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Department of Emergency Medicine



Weekly **email**

Updates for ED Physicians

Operations

! Need to Know – SCM Updates:

[Click here to read:](#)

- **Changes to ED Trauma Labs Order Set**
- **Changes to ED ED Frostbite**

- **Marta Nijssen, RN BN**
Clinical Informatician
Provincial Clinical User Support
Calgary Zone | Clinical Services – IT | Alberta Health Services

Announcement: Dr. Eddy Lang - Scientific Director, University Liaison

Please find the [attached announcement](#) re: Dr. Eddy Lang, Scientific Director, and University Liaison.

Letter to AMA President

Hi Group: If you are interested in reading a letter that I sent to the AMA president about the proposed changes to the SOMB, [click here](#).

- Neil Collins

Pediatric Gynecology

Please see attached [pediatric gynecology cheat sheet](#) prepared by Dr. Philippa Brain, the Division Head for Pediatric Gynecology.

Physician Participation Needed!

Observed History and Physical (OHP) Teaching

Hi all, it is clerk teaching recruiting time again. The Observed History and Physical (OHP) session is now occurring at all 4 sites. I have changed the OHP schedule a little and it now works really well for you to come in 45 minutes early to your shift and perform the teaching activity. The advantages to you are as follows:

1. you are paid for this teaching activity (in addition to the fee for service you will bill for the visit)
2. you will get a sense of your clerk's skills right up front
3. you will start your shift with one patient already seen

The OHP is a teaching activity that has been very well received by the students and faculty alike. The model of coming in 45 minutes early has been running at the RGH for a number of months and has been well received. OHP is always on the first Monday or the first Tuesday of the block. The times/sites are in the attached screenshot. Please let me know if you can fill any of these slots: Jan 6/7, Feb 3/4, Feb 17/18, Mar 2/3, Mar 16/17, Mar 30/31.

Thanks. Gavin.

Sign-Up for Staff Simulation Sessions Dec 17, 2019 (RGH)

Please click on the link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080d4ca5ac2eaaff2-participants>

What did you think about EPL?

Should it stay?

Should it go?

What departmental impact, did EPL have on flow?

In order to understand how the EPL (Emergency Physician Lead) had an impact on flow in the Emergency Department, we are conducting a mixed method study...and we would like to hear from you! We are looking for both nurses and physicians to give feedback on their experiences during the pilot project.

This would involve is an approximately 20-minute one-on-one interview with our research assistant. Interviews can be completed in person or over the phone depending on availability. Questions will surround your experience and feedback on the impact of the EPL pilot project.

If you are interested in participating, please sign up using our online tool:

<https://forms.gle/aJfKED8kZiQrgYTm6>

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact:

Zoe Polsky

Jason Elzinga

Thank you in advance and for your support of this initiative.

This study has been approved by the University of Calgary Conjoint Health Research Ethics Board Ethics ID [REB19-0610](#)_MOD1

List for Students interested in EM

I am in the process of updating our contact list for students interested in ER. The list is used for the following:

1. Episodic shadowing in first and second year (usually one shift, sometimes two)
2. Preceptors for preclerkship electives (1-2 week experiences in June and July at the end of their first year)

The more preceptors on this list, the more diverse the experience the students can get. Usually these are very rewarding students that are engaged and interested. It is always to your discretion as to whether you have the availability when a student contacts you to actually take them on.

If you are willing to be added to the list, email Tris with your preferred email (or alternative contact if you wish), your site(s), and any special interests you may have.

As always, thanks for being involved with our teaching!
- Meira Louis, MD, FRCPC

Did you know 25% of Calgary ED physicians have participated in a performance improvement session in the last year!

So far over 25% of ED physicians have come to these interactive ED Performance Improvement sessions. In these sessions, you will have the chance to review our current physician metrics and develop a clinical goal and action plan in a small group setting with peer coaching.

Next session: Dec 5th at 10:30

Location: FMC

You should attend if...

- You've received your report and had questions about some of the metrics
- You've looked at your report and wanted to make changes but were unsure about how to do so
You have an upcoming review with site chief or department head and want to understand the reports in more detail
- In need of CME- in particular Section 3 CME for those in the Mainport program (everyone in Mainport requires 15 credits per year). CCFP credits also available. Details provided at the session.
- You want to learn from what your colleagues have found to be useful strategies to increase numbers of patients seen or reducing DI usage

Please RSVP Chris Bond, Charles Wongor Shawn Dowling to book a spot in the session.

REMINDER! ED Staff POCUS Hands-On Sessions!

There is still room available for the ED staff POCUS session on **Dec 12, 2019 from 1030-1230** at the ATSSL.

Thanks to those who have already signed up and those who have completed the very short online survey. It looks like the most requested POCUS applications are cardiac and lung/pleura, followed closely by peripheral nerve blocks and ultrasound guided peripheral IV starts! If you haven't already done so, here's the link to the survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MMHG26V>

Please send me an email if you'd like to participate in this inaugural session.

The sessions are supported by the PSF and thus PSF members will have priority sign up. Please note there will be a \$200 charge if a participant cancels within 24 hours unless the spot can be filled by another participant.

Thanks!

Danny Peterson and the Calgary ED POCUS Hub

Education. CME. Rounds

Emergency Medicine Grand Rounds

*** 2 Sessions ***

Date: Thursday, December 05, 2019
Time: 0900 – 1000
Host Site: Coombs Theatre - FMC
Title : Time of Death 0122: What Do I Do Now?
Presenters: Dr. Marta Broniewska & Dr. Amy Bromley

Time: 1000 – 1030
Host Site: Coombs Theatre - FMC
Title: Approach to RV Failure in the ED
Presenter: Dr. Justin Godbout

Telehealth Sites:

Alberta Children's Hospital - Rm B4-010
Rockyview General Hospital – Rm 10332
South Health Campus – Rm - 410007
Peter Lougheed Hospital – Rm 3047
Banff Mineral Springs Hospital - Rm 5018
Canmore General Hospital – Boardroom 1256

December 19th EM Rounds - Dr. Manish Shah "[High Intensity Telemedicine: A New Approach to Providing Acute Illness Care to Older Adults](#)"

Thursday, December 19th, 2019

9:00 AM

FMC Coombs Theatre

Save the Date - Emergency Medicine Research Day 2020

The **2020 Emergency Medicine Research Day** is **April 30, 2020** at the ACH Amphitheatre, Alberta Children's Hospital, featuring our keynote speaker, Dr. Kathryn Dong.

For planning purposes, **we request advance registration by March 31, 2020** – registration is now on Eventbrite, link below. **Please note – you do NOT need to print your ticket to attend the event.**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/emergency-medicine-research-day-2020-tickets-84285990667>

Clinical Pharmacology & Toxicology Pearl of the Week

Can I breastfeed while taking this medication?

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EBCP EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT ENDING SOON: 2020 McMaster Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Workshops

DON'T MISS OUT

– REGISTER BEFORE DECEMBER 31ST 2019 TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR \$200 EARLY BIRD

REGISTRATION DISCOUNT

June 8-12, 2020. <https://ebm.mcmaster.ca/>

ED Highlights

Congrats to Natasha Wright on her paper in CJEM this month

[How Is Quality of Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Being Assessed? A National Survey of Canadian Emergency Medicine Physicians](#)

Save the Date! Hodsman Lecture 2020

1. [Hodsman Lecture on Thurs, March 12, 8am-12pm](#) (FMC Auditorium) - Guest Speaker: Dr. Gregory Luke Larkin

2. Dinner and Social Night. Date & Location TBD

RMES Christmas Party

Thursday, Dec 12, 6pm

Please **RSVP by Dec 5** to Lilian Prudencio

FMC ER Christmas party

FMC Emergency Christmas Party

When: Dec 12th 1900-close

Where: St. James Corner Restaurant and Irish Pub

1219 1st SW

No tickets needed for Christmas party you pay for your own food and drinks.

Casual to formal attire

Everyone is invited including spouses and friends

DJ provided aka Raj

Nicole Groholski RN

Wellness, Stress Resiliency Charity Spin Class

What: 1 hour spin class with additional stress resiliency training.

When: **Dec 10th 1:30pm-3pm**

Who: All ER Staff Physicians, Residents, ER Nurses.

Charity: DOAP team

The session is \$25 per person and the full proceeds will go to the DOAP team. Sign up via the link below!

<https://clients.mindbodyonline.com/classic/ws?studioid=115747&stype=-7&sVT=16&sView=day&sLoc=2&sTrn=100000009&date=12/10/19>

Schedule of events:

1:15-1:25pm - Registration and bike setup

1:30pm Intro to Spin, Stress Resiliency and what to expect

1:40-2:40pm Stress Resiliency themed SPIN (including a 15 minute cool down stretch)

2:40-3:00pm Questions/inquiries

Please email Fareen Zaver with any questions!

Opportunities

Call for Abstracts - Emergency Medicine Research Day 2020

The University of Calgary and Alberta Health Services Department of Emergency Medicine is looking for presenters for our annual Emergency Medicine Research Day being held on April 30th, 2020 at the Amphitheatre at Alberta Children's Hospital.

Presenters for the event should have either completed or have an ongoing research project in any of the Emergency Departments, Urgent Care Centers, Pre-hospital services or other clinical areas that would be of interest to those who work in Emergency Medicine.

Attached are the Abstract Submission Forms for either completed or work in progress projects.

Instructions for Submission:

1. Complete either the [COMPLETED](#) or [WORK IN PROGRESS](#) Abstract Submission Form.
2. Send complete abstract form back to Dr. Andrew McRae via email by Friday January 24, 2020 at 16:00.

Deadline for Abstract Submissions is Friday January 24, 2020 at 16:00.
