



Department of Emergency Medicine

Weekly email

Updates for ED Physicians

April 26, 2022 Edition

Operations

Update from Mbarara - April 26

[Read the update from Margriet in Uganda here.](#)



New RGH Emergency Manager

My name is Kyla Craig RN BN MN. I'm a native & a lifelong Calgarian with a passion for safe and high quality health care. I have over ten years of experience working as a staff nurse in the RGH Emergency Department and left to finish my graduate degree and pursue management in 2011. Since that time, I've managed in ICU/CCU, cardiac cath lab, endoscopy / colon cancer screening centre, and a variety of other outpatient services. I'm so excited to return to RGH Emergency to share my knowledge/experience and contribute to solving challenges and supporting staff in this environment. I consider myself approachable, open, and need to have a hearty belly laugh every day in order to call it a "good day". I have two teenage sons and a poodle named Ozzie. I enjoy skiing, hiking, travelling, and prefer pre-pandemic times when we didn't realize how good we had it!

Look forward to meeting you all,

Kyla

Dr. Claire Acton – New Undergraduate & Off-Service Residents Coordinator

We would like to thank Dr. Meira Louis for her many years of hard work, contributions & accomplishments to the Off-Service program for the past 6 years, and we're very pleased that she has accepted the PLC Site Chief role.

We would also like to congratulate Dr. Claire Acton as the new Undergraduate & Off-Service Coordinator starting May 1, 2022.

Dr. Claire Acton completed her FRCP residency training at the University of Toronto in 2018, and worked in Toronto as a staff physician for 2 years before moving to Calgary. As a resident, she travelled to Ethiopia as part of the Toronto Addis Ababa Academic Collaboration - EM branch, where she recognized an immediate need for point-of care ultrasound training. After this elective, she founded the POCUS curriculum for TAAAC-EM, of which is still a co-director. Claire also co-founded the Equity, Diversity, Advocacy and Cultural Safety (EDACS) curriculum for emergency medicine residents at U of T, with the goal to help residents gain knowledge and experience to act on health inequities and advocate for their patients in vulnerable populations. With the help of Dr Kelsey Ragan, they have brought the EDACS curriculum to U of C emergency medicine, of which they have just completed their first academic cycle. Claire received a Master Teacher Certificate from University of Toronto in 2020, and is looking forward to improving curriculum design and postgraduate education in her new role.

New Admin Team Member - Maria Petrosyants

Please join us in welcoming our newest admin team member: [Maria Petrosyants](#)! Maria will be joining the department as an interim Deputy Department Head Administrative Assistant, while Lilian covers for a Team Lead role. Maria comes with healthcare background from Canada Diagnostic Centers working as Administrative Team Lead since December 2014. Maria started on Monday, April 25 and can be reached at Maria.Petrosyants@albertahealthservices.ca or 403-943-7570.

YYC ED Specific

Connect Care (Wave 4) – EUPA registration

A friendly reminder to register & complete the **EPIC-CMIO Emergency Medicine EUPA** (end user proficiency assessment) course after completion of your basic training. To register, please log in to your [MyLearningLink](#) and search the course under Course & Registration tab.

Thank you!

Chris Hall

Available slots for Staff Sim Sessions:

[Sign up here](#)

- May 4 – FMC (1)
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R5 Graduation Gifts

Hello! We are getting ready to celebrate the upcoming graduation of our R5s: Brett Shaw, Omar Damji, Miles Hunter and Tyson Savage. To send them off in style we would love to continue the tradition of giving graduation gifts. If they have ever brightened your day, kept you sharp on shift, lifted your overnight morale or stolen your procedures please consider donating to their send-off!

We will collect the funds and purchase the gifts, ideally to be distributed at the grad BBQ in June. As always your support is much appreciated, and please reach out with any questions.

E-transfer can be directed to: kmragan@gmail.com. We also accept cash, cheques, bitcoin and trades for our 0500 shifts.

Thanks! - Kelsey, Katie and Ryan (the R6s)

Call for Abstracts - The Alberta SIMPOSIUM

eSIM Provincial Simulation Program is seeking abstracts for **Oral and Poster** presentations to be considered for our inaugural Alberta SIMPosium Conference **October 25 and 26th, 2022**.

The abstract review committee is pursuing submissions that present rigorous scholarly work, and advance knowledge of simulation-based education and innovations. Abstracts will be submitted under one of the following categories: **Frontline Simulation, Projects, Faculty Development, Innovation**. Both original and previously presented abstracts are welcome.

The abstract submission deadline is 11:59 pm (MST) on **Monday, May 30th, 2022**. Authors are encouraged to submit one or more abstracts. All abstracts will be peer reviewed by the eSIM Provincial Simulation Program Conference Committee, and acceptance will be determined based on content, relevance, and encouragement of collaboration. Abstracts received by the deadline will be considered for presentation as an oral or poster presentation. Authors of all accepted abstracts will be notified by **Friday June 30th, 2022**.

-Sue Barnes, sue.barnes@ahs.ca/ eSIM.facdev@ahs.ca

CRISP Preceptors Needed

I am once again recruiting preceptors for the annual Calgary Resident Introductory Sonography Program (CRISP) foundational course.

The course will run on July 14th from 8 am to 4pm.

To teach you must be IP certified (or equivalent) and be comfortable teaching residents ultrasound scanning for the following indications:

- Aorta for AAA
- Cardiac: for pericardial effusion and presence of contractility
- Lung: for pneumothorax and effusion
- FAST
- OB: 1st trimester pregnancy

You are not required to lecture, just supervise bedside scanning. However, if you would like to present a pre-made 5 minute lecture on any of the above topics, please let me know as the opportunity is there.

Your time will be compensated at the standard hourly PGME rate.
I would love to have you join us on this day. If you are interested or if you have any questions, please email me, Kasia Lenz, at lenz.kasia@gmail.com.

EMERGENCY MEDICINE RESEARCH DAY

When: May 5, 2022 08:00 AM Mountain Time

[See poster.](#)

[Register in advance for this meeting here.](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Please note: Registration deadline is April 28, 2022.

Wellness

Parenting & working as a physician during COVID - [resources from CSM](#)

Wellness Supports

1. Call your Peer Support Team. [HERE are their phone numbers \(updated October 2021\)](#). 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 free hours of counselling for yourself and for your family members.
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Grand Rounds & Journal Club

ACH Grand Rounds - Thurs Apr 28

Session #1: Peds Trauma Rounds (0800 – 0900)

- Speaker: Dr. Karl Phillips
- Topic: Post-Tonsillectomy Bleed – A New Clinical Pathway for ACH
- Zoom Link # 1: <https://cutt.ly/RFltXKg>
- Meeting ID: 679 7119 5393 Passcode: 481995
- Post Meeting Survey: https://survey.ucalgary.ca/jfe/form/SV_3JmHep5XDlwJXVk

Session #2: City-Wide Rnds (~~0900~~—~~1000~~)

- Status: **Cancelled**
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Opportunities

Applications Welcome - Director, Centre for Health Informatics

The CSM invites applications for the position of Director, Centre for Health Informatics.

The successful candidate will hold an MD or PhD; be a full-time member of the CSM faculty; and have a track record of internationally respected scholarship in health informatics. Please see [attached for the complete terms of reference](#) for the position.

The position is a 0.3 FTE and has a four-year term. The start date is July 1, 2022.

Please submit a statement of interest and curriculum vitae by April 28, 2022, to:

Marcello Tonelli
Senior Associate Dean (Clinical Research)
Cumming School of Medicine
cello@ucalgary.ca

CME

Pathways to Healing: An Indigenous, Local & Global Health Office initiative to catalyze development in critical Indigenous health education

Presented by **O'Brien Institute for Public Health and the Department of Community Health Sciences**

Speakers: Pamela Roach, Lynden (Lindsay) Crowshoe, Dianne Mosher, Kate Dunn, and Holliston Logan

Date: Friday, April 29, 2022

Time: 12 to 1 p.m.

[Register here.](#)

EMBER | Exploring Mental health Barriers in Emergency Rooms

The EMBER Study presents:
Understanding & Addressing Mental Illness Stigma Holistically

Join us for a presentation & panel discussion exploring mental health barriers and mental illness stigma in emergency rooms

In partnership with:



Save the Date!
Friday, May 6
12-1:30 pm



Understanding & Addressing Mental Illness Stigma Holistically

brought to you by the Mathison Centre, the Calgary Health Foundation, and the EMBER Study Team

May 6, 2022 from 12:00-1:30pm

[Register Here.](#)

EDI Lunch & Learn - Mentoring Inclusive Practices SEXUAL & GENDER DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

Please join our next EDI Lunch & Learn on **April 27, 12:30-1:30pm** – Evan Westfal and Alex Marshall from the **Institute for Sexual and Minority Studies and Services (iSMSS)** at the University of Alberta will guide health care professionals towards practices that embrace inclusivity in the workplace.

Participants will gain an understanding of **sexual and gender diverse terminology**, learn the details of **sex assigned at birth/gender identity/gender expression**, discern **best practices** for supporting queer and trans colleagues and patients, and identify opportunities to **mentor inclusive behaviour**. [Register here.](#)

Kudos Corner

Congratulations to Drs. Mark Yarema and Marco Sivilotti on this recent publication: [CMAJ Five things to know about treating APAP OD](#)

Kudos to Dr. Arthur Tse

Dr. Arthur Tse - amazing individual from emergency medicine. A long story, but RN mistook me for a young med student instead of a pharmacist who has been in the field 10 years, which led to an unprofessional interaction in front of a patient. I tried to speak with them in a private area afterward. It did not go anywhere. bugging me all day and during break, I spoke to Dr. Tse. He was able to speak with the RN and they apologized to me for their unprofessional action. Thanks for listening and please do send this note for the good work Dr. Tse is doing for his learners.
