



Department of Emergency Medicine

Weekly email

Updates for ED Physicians

July 26, 2022 Edition

Operations

Connect Care Update: Launch 5 is on its way!

Just a friendly reminder to everyone who is 'in scope' for Connect Care Launch 5 (ie - anyone who will be practicing at the FMC ED from November 6 onwards): by now you should have received the information for signing up for your Connect Care training. If you think you have been missed, please reach out to me and we will make sure to get you on the list. For those of you who have not yet signed up, please consider doing so sooner rather than later; the longer you wait, the fewer options there will be for training dates and times, which can pose challenges when trying to shoehorn these important sessions into your schedule.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Chris
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ED Research Section Chief

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Kathryn Crowder will be our new ED Section Chief of Research, effective September 1, 2022.

We would like to thank Dr. Stephanie Vandenberg for all her hard work and many contributions as the ED Research Section Chief during these past four years.

Update Regarding Open Shifts

You will all have seen the newsletter and email posting of opportunities to work in Calgary Zone Urgent Care Centers and rural EDs across the province. We post these as a service to those organizations and communities as part of our desire to be good citizens in the medical community.

These outside organizations would agree however that it is incumbent upon each Department to consider their own shift obligations before taking on work in other zones or departments.

There are multiple open shifts due to ED MD medical illness in the Calgary Zone EDs as well as near-daily 10-plus hour waits to see an ED MD.

We would like to acknowledge that conditions are very difficult right now for both MDs and RNs in short staffed EDs. Efforts to resolve the staffing crisis are ongoing.

We appreciate the hard work and patience on shift and the ongoing efforts of the medical/RN leadership at each site to manage the crisis.

-Neil and Eddy

The Cochrane Urgent Care Centre (CUC) has multiple shifts to fill in the month of August. CUC is open 0800-2200.

If you are able to provide coverage for any of the following shifts, please contact Dr. Jyl Radwell at jylradwell@hotmail.com

Date - Shift

- 5 - 0800-1500
- 10 - 1500-2000
- 11 - 1500-2000 & 1700-late
- 13 - 1500-2000
- 15 - 1500-2000
- 18 - 1500-2000
- 19 - 1500-2000
- 20 - 1500-2000
- 21 - 1700-late
- 23 - 1500-2000
- 24 - 1500-2000
- 25 - 1500-2000
- 26 - 1500-2000
- 27 - 1500-2000
- 28 - 1500-2000
- 30 - 1500-2000

Shifts available for "pick-up" at Airdrie and South Calgary Urgent Cares for ConnectCare trained MDs:

The Airdrie and South UCCs are looking for immediate help covering shifts. We would be able to provide immediate cross-privileging to either site for anyone interested in working at a lower acuity/higher volume site. There will be **no commitment** apart from picking up available shifts that work for you, although future scheduled shifts can be considered. If you are interested in this opportunity, please let me know ASAP. Similar opportunities at other sites may soon also become available.

Charles Wong: charles.k.wong@AHS.ca

YYC ED Specific

STAFF EXAMINERS FOR CCFP-EM ORAL EXAMS : 2022
September 15 and December 08 – In Person

The CCFP-EM Residency Program is in need of 7 staff examiners for the oral exams on the following dates:

- **September 15 from 1030 - 1300**
- **December 8 from 1030 – 1300**

These exams have returned to In-Person sessions.

Please check your availability and let me know if you are able to help on any of these dates and please send the responses to TriSurendra.Malasani@albertahealthservices.ca
Your help and assistance is very much appreciated!! Once confirmed, I will send Calendar invites.

Thanks
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New Faculty Orientation - In Person

Are you new faculty this year? Are you 'not so new' faculty in the past few years who hasn't attended one of these?

Not to be confused with AHS Orientation, the Office of Faculty Development and Performance provides this session to all new faculty within CSM to introduce you to your roles and responsibilities, critical resources, mentorship, career development, meeting other new faculty and more!

There will be something for everyone, whether you're a basic scientist or physician, clinically appointed faculty or full-time academic staff!

Lunch will be provided

[Register now.](#)

September 13, 2022
12:00 pm – 3:00 pm
HSC Rm G500

RAAPID LTC to ED Study Call for Participants

If you are an Emergency Department Physician who has used RAAPID or either one of the early intervention tools with LTC care residents within the last 24 months, you are invited to participate in a [45-60 minute online focus group](#) or one-on-one interview. The aim is to try to understand the barriers and facilitators faced by health practitioners in using the new care pathway. Participation is completely voluntary. A CDN \$50 gift card will be provided as reimbursement for a participant's time.

If you have any questions regarding this study or are interested in participating, please contact the study team at nuclear@ualberta.ca or 780-492-5026.

Study Title- Improving Acute Care for Long-Term Care Residents: A Better Way to Care for the Frail Elderly in Times of Medical Urgency.

Principal Investigator- Dr. Jayna Holroyd-Leduc University of Calgary

The plan for this study has been reviewed for its adherence to ethical guidelines by the Conjoint Health Research Ethics Board (CHREB REB190106) at the University of Calgary and the Research Ethics Board at the University of Alberta (Pro00090932). If you have questions about your rights or how research should be conducted, you can call the Research Services Office at University of Calgary at 403-220-2297 or the Research Ethics Office at University of Alberta reoffice@ualberta.ca. This office is independent of the researchers.

ED Staff Sim Sessions

Please sign up [here](#).

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

Journal Club: Looking for staff preceptors and hosts

Journal Club has long been an important social and professional connection point between the staff and residents in Calgary and we are excited to bring it back in a new and improved format this September.

1. Journal Club has been revamped to give it a more clinical focus. The majority of statistical analysis teaching will now take place in other resident teaching sessions. With this change, we are hoping to expand our list of preceptors. If you are interested in being a preceptor or co-preceptor, please reach out to Dr. Kelsey Ragan and Dr. Dave Mainprize. kmragan@gmail.com, davegmainprize@gmail.com

2. We are moving Journal Club back to staff physician homes in the fall. As a host, you will receive \$750 for food purchases (this does not include alcohol purchases). If you are willing to host a Journal Club in your home, please reach out to Sean Crooks (smcrooks@ucalgary.ca)

Please see [Google Sheet for Journal Club dates](#), hosts, resident leaders and preceptors.

Thank you,

Sean, Kelsey and Dave

Emergency Medicine Grand Rounds - On hiatus until September

Opportunities

Opportunity: Connect Care Physician Builder Lead

ED Physicians:

After serving for two successful years as the Connect Care Physician Builder Lead, Chris Hall has decided to step down effective August 31, 2022. Chris has done a very good job in this role. We would like to thank him for his work & contributions to make the Connect Care transition successful for the Calgary Zone Emergency Department. We are now in the process of recruiting a new Connect Care Physician Builder Lead.

About the Position:

The Connect Care Physician Builder Lead is considered a **0.1FTE** position, compensated at the rate of **\$23,199 annually**. If you're interested in applying for this exceptional opportunity, please email me a cover letter highlighting your interest and skillset for this position, and an updated CV **on or before August 8, 2022**.

The Connect Care & Physician Builder Lead promotes clinical improvement through hands on involvement during the Connect Care launches. This role trains for Epic Physician or Content Builder Certification and builds organizational capacity for CIS customization, optimization, content development, testing and analytics. Clinician Builders bridge clinical and technical domains by improving characterization of user needs while easing pathways to solutions. In short, Clinician Builders help organize the CIS user population, improve communication between the IT team and users, generate CIS content, and promote meaningful use of the CIS.

A key part of an effective clinician engagement strategy, clinician builders promote end-user organization, empowerment and accountability. Key to empowerment is building capacity to customize and shape the CIS to better address clinical, quality improvement, safety, and innovation and education goals. Connect Care & Physician Builders gain the understanding, tools and relationships needed to be effective change agents.

This role acts as liaison between departmental leadership and the Connect Care team / office of the Chief Medical Information Officer on issues related to Connect Care implementation; develops detailed understanding of the Epic / Connect Care platform as it related to ED operations; provides educational sessions to ED physicians prior to and around the time of Connect Care launch in Calgary if a need for such sessions (over and above the standard training sessions provided by the CMIO's office) is identified.

This position plays a lead role in the development and modification of order sets relevant to the ED and integration of evidence based decision support tools in the Connect Care order sets; prioritizes the implementation of Calgary specific customizations, develops site & zone-based level dashboards and other reporting tools relevant to the operational needs of the Department of Emergency Medicine.

For further details about the role, please feel free to call or email me or Neil or contact Chris directly at chall99@gmail.com

[See job post here.](#)

Thanks! Scott Banks, scott.banks@ahs.ca

CME & Learning

Virtual conference: Connecting Research and Practice in Post-Secondary Mental Health

Program, details and registration [here](#)

- August 12 & 13
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St. Paul's Emergency Medicine Update

Sep 22-25 (Thu-Sat) | Whistler Conference Centre | Conference

Audience: family physicians, emergency physicians, hospitalists, internists, pediatricians, rural physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses, paramedics, residents and students.

Up to 18.0 Mainpro+/MOC Section 1 Credits

[LEARN MORE & REGISTER](#)

Highlights:

- Find out about managing medical issues seen at ANY type of practice, not just in the emergency room
 - Get some new practice management skills like billing, financial management, CMPA, and ethics
 - Reconnect with colleagues at our welcome reception on Sep 22 and our conference reception on Sep 24 – families welcome!
 - Get a refresher or learn a new technique with our hands-on skills workshops on Saturday provided by our expert instructors
 - Update your casting and airway skills at our pre-conference CASTED: Emergency Workshop and one of our two CAEP: AIME Roadshows
 - Interactive group discussions, case-based workshops and lots of opportunities to socialize and network with colleagues
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Upcoming EDI-related Conferences & Events:

Aug. 3, 10:00 – 11:00am: Join the next Mount Sinai National Chats for Change for the next webinar in the series, **Say What You Mean, Mean What You Say** with the focus on **Allyship**. Details and registration [here](#)

Aug. 11, 11:45am – 1:00pm MT: The UCalgary community is invited to attend an online webinar, **Embedding Well-Being into Post-Secondary Organizational Culture**, as part of the Taylor Institute's Summer Wellness Series. Details and registration [here](#)

July 29-31: The **National Black Canadians Summit** is being held in Halifax, NS. This conference is inspired by the International Decade for People of African Descent (2015-2024): Recognition, Justice and Development, as proclaimed by the United Nations. More details and registration [here](#)

Aug. 12 & 13: Join a 1.5 day virtual conference on **Connecting Research and Practice in Post-Secondary Mental Health**. Program, details and registration [here](#)

Aug. 24-26: The AAMC is offering in-person **Restorative Justice in Academic Medicine Facilitator Training** in Washington, DC. The program will help participants to effectively incorporate restorative justice, gain the tools to address the impact of harms, deter recidivism, and facilitate collaborative solutions within medical schools, teaching hospitals, and allied health professional institutions. Details [here](#)

March 10-12, 2023 + follow-up webinars: CSM's CMS&PD Office is pleased to host the **Mindful Practice in Medicine Core Workshop** over two days at the Banff Centre. This retreat-like workshop, designed for medical practitioners and educators, provides an experiential and interactive learning environment to help energize participants find joy and resilience. Details and registration [here](#)

Kudos Corner

Congratulations to EM residents Drs Dunne and Elzinga as well as Dr. Dowling for yesterday's publication in emergency medicine's highest impact journal: [A Systematic Review of Interventions to Reduce Computed Tomography Usage in the Emergency Department](#)

Kudos to Allen Vorobeichik who is our new R1 FRCPC resident.