



Department of Emergency Medicine

Weekly **email**

Updates for ED Physicians

Feb 14, 2023 Edition

Notes from Eddy and Neil

Dear colleagues,

One of the distinct pleasures of being leadership roles is to have the privilege up seeing all of the remarkable activity and accomplishments that make up our exceptional department. This becomes particularly apparent at this time of the year when through an enormous amount of hard work and collaboration we collate, fine tune and deliver our annual report. This is done in conjunction with a presentation given to the Zone Medical Advisory Committee which consists of all of Calgary's senior health leaders including Zone Medical Director Dr. Marc Anselmo and his operational dyad Lori Anderson.

Please take an opportunity to review the annual report as it highlights all of the great activity both clinical and scholarly / academic that you are all contributing to. This is happening through great patient care under what are often trying circumstances and working conditions. It is gratifying to see how our department has grown with an annual report now requiring over 100 pages to capture the depth of activities and successes compared to 40 pages in 2013. The report is not in any way carved in stone and if you have comments suggestions for improvement or additions that you think should be added please feel free to reach out.

<https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/departments/emergency-medicine/about/ed-annual-reports>

While the report was presented earlier this month at a time when we have begun to see improvements in ED flow and reductions in emergency inpatients (EIPS), the [presentation](#) given focused primarily on the dangers and repercussions of allowing our department's to struggle with bed block and high loads of admitted patients.

-Eddy & Neil

Physician Wellness Post-Measurement Retreat: Making Things Better; a Move to Improve February 23, 8am-2pm

We received a strong response to the wellness survey and are now in a position to see the results and set forth an action plan but your input at this stage is essential.

Please make every effort possible to register for the February 23.

[RSVP Here.](#)

-Eddy



The flyer is a green-bordered rectangle containing text and logos. At the top left is the University of Calgary logo and name. At the top right is the Well Doc Alberta logo. The main title is 'Physician Wellness Post-Measurement Retreat'. Below that, it says 'The University of Calgary Department of Emergency Medicine presents' followed by the main event title 'Making Things Better; a Move to Improve'. It then states 'In collaboration with Well Doc Alberta & supported by the Physician Support Fund'. The date and time are 'Thursday, February 23, 2023' and '8 am till 2 pm'. The location is 'Lynx Ridge Golf Club (8 Lynx Ridge Blvd, NW)'. A paragraph describes the event as an 'in-person' day focused on wellness, where Well Doc Alberta will present survey results and offer workshops. Below that, it lists workshop options: 'Moral Dilemmas: An Intro and Group Debrief OR Physician Wellness, Coping, and Resilience'. At the bottom, it notes that a calendar invite has been sent and provides a registration link: <https://CalgaryED-yearoneretreat.eventbrite.ca>.

 UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY

 Well Doc Alberta

Physician Wellness Post-Measurement Retreat

The University of Calgary Department of Emergency Medicine presents

Making Things Better; a Move to Improve

In collaboration with Well Doc Alberta & supported by the Physician Support Fund

Thursday, February 23, 2023
8 am till 2 pm

Lynx Ridge Golf Club (8 Lynx Ridge Blvd, NW)

Join us for an **in-person** day focused on wellness where Well Doc Alberta will present the results from our **Year 1 Physician Wellness Survey**, start the conversation on how to leverage our results to enhance wellness in our Department, and offer wellness workshops.

Choose Your Workshop:
Moral Dilemmas: An Intro and Group Debrief **OR**
Physician Wellness, Coping, and Resilience

The calendar invite has already been sent, please register using link below, registrations before Feb 8 will be used to inform meal arrangements. If you have any dietary restrictions, please email Lilian & Supreet.
<https://CalgaryED-yearoneretreat.eventbrite.ca>

SAVE THE DATE

The Hodsmen Legacy Lecture will be on April 20, 2023 from 8:30am to 12:30pm.

Operations

2023 AIVA

Your 2023 Annual Information Verification and Attestation (AIVA) for AHS Medical Staff is now available for your review and completion. This year's AIVA is completed online at <https://albertahealthservices.service-now.com>. We expect the average practitioner will need less than 5 minutes to complete it. Please complete your AIVA at your earliest convenience.

The deadline to complete your AIVA is **February 18, 2023**.

To complete your AIVA, please log in using your AHS username ID and associated password, at <https://albertahealthservices.service-now.com> and then select **AIVA Renewal Form** from the navigation menu. If you need to reset your AHS password please contact AHS IT Support at 1-877-311-4300.

For additional information about completing your AIVA please visit our FAQ document [here](#).

If you have difficulties accessing your AIVA please contact AHS IT Support. Please direct any other questions to your local Medical Affairs Office or contact Medical Affairs Shared Systems Support at 1-888-705 1581.

Thank you in advance for completing your AIVA.

2023 deadlines for the Clinical/Adjunct promotion process

- **February 17, 2023:** Recommendations for promotion to Professor ([Clinical/Adjunct/Research only](#))
- **March 3, 2023:** Recommendations for promotion to Clinical/Adjunct/Research Associate or Assistant Professor

[See this document for full details of requirements.](#)

POCUS HUB REVAMP

POCUS HUB REVAMP! That's right ultrasound nerds, you heard it here first. If you're interested in being on a Calgary EM POCUS email list, please email colinbell85@gmail.com with your name and the email address where you'd like to receive the messages.

Happy Scanning!

Colin Bell

Connect Care Launch 6 - Update

Hello Everyone!

With Launch 6 of Connect Care fast approaching (SHC and RGH, on May 6 at 5:00am!) I thought it would be a good idea to send out a few reminders ([attached](#)) for those who are about to join the rest of us in the ASAP world:

Thanks, and as always, please let me know if you have any questions about the Launch 6 process

Chris (chall99@gmail.com)

ER Coverage - High River General Hospital

High River Hospital is struggling to fill the following ER shifts:

- ER February 17 Day shift (8am-3pm)
- ER: February 24th Evening shift (3pm-10pm)
- ER: February 25th Night shift (10pm-8am)

If you have any interested staff, please ask them to contact Dr. Chris Warner, Section Chief, High River: 403-336-6234 or email me at christopher.warner@albertahealthservices.ca

Grand Rounds & Journal Club

Emergency Medicine Grand Rounds - Thursday February 16, 2023

- **Date:** Thurs, February 16, 2023
- **Time:** 0900 – 1000 (1.00 Education Credits)
- **Room:** Clara Christie Theatre - HSC
- **New Recurring Zoom Link:** <https://albertahealthservices.zoom.us/j/67568401147?pwd=Tk04MkwYnNFOczZVRjdRSVlzU0FOZz09>
- **Zoom:** <https://cutt.ly/B3jCc3h>
- **Passcode:** 864282
- **One tap mobile:** +15873281099, 67568401147# Canada
- **By phone: Canada:** +1 587 328 1099 Webinar ID: 675 6840 1147
- **Evaluation Link:** <https://cutt.ly/xT82kgH>

(0900 – 1000) Speaker: Dr. Aaron Mackie-MD, FRCPC, Program Director Behavioral Neurology & Neuropsychiatry ([Bio attached](#))

Topic: Psychopharmacology for the Emergency Physician

***Description:** We will review key clinical pearls relating to psychopharmacology through the lens of the Emergency Physician.*

**** Recording Link:** Archived Rounds Recordings & Rounds Pearls can be found on our website:

For Emergency Physicians (Calgary Zone): The evaluation form needs to be submitted to receive your education credits. This applies to both via Zoom and In-Person attendance.

In-Person Emergency Medicine Journal Club - Thursday March 2nd, 2023

- **Date:** March 2, 2023
- **Time:** 18:00 to 21:00
- **Topic:** Defibrillation strategies for refractory ventricular fibrillation (DOSE VF).
- **Presenter:** Drs. Mary Freymond, Scott Wakeham and Sean Crooks
- **Preceptor:** Dr. Miles Hunter
- **Hosted by:** Dr. Charles Wong

ARTICLE 1: Defibrillation strategies for refractory ventricular fibrillation (DOSE VF)

Thanks

Mary, Scott and Sean

Journal Club: We are looking for staff preceptors and hosts for second half of academic year.

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 have moved Journal Club back to staff physician homes. As a host, you will receive \$750 for food purchases (this does not include alcohol purchases). We are hoping to fill March 2nd, March 30th and April 27th soon. If you are willing to host a Journal Club in your home, please reach out to Sean Crooks (smcrooks@ucalgary.ca).

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

Kudos

Publications

Dr. Crowder would like to highlight the following publications in Kudos section.

[The management of alcohol use disorder in the emergency department, is it time for version 2.0? - PubMed \(nih.gov\)](#)

[Emergency department leadership considerations for the next phase of the COVID-19 pandemic - PubMed \(nih.gov\)](#)

[Using Kane's framework to build an assessment tool for undergraduate medical student's clinical competency with point of care ultrasound - PubMed \(nih.gov\)](#)

[Risk Scores for Clinical Risk Stratification of Emergency Department Patients With Chest Pain but No Acute Myocardial Infarction: A Systematic Review - PubMed \(nih.gov\)](#)

Kudos to the PLC Emergency Nursing Team ([see attached](#))

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Academic Day Sessions - Preceptors Needed

We are still seeking preceptors for the final quarter of our Academic Day Scheduling for the following dates:

- 3-Apr Time TBD Approach to the Febrile Child
- 22-Jun 1300-1400 Implantable Cardiac Devices
- 22-Jun 1400-1500 Peds Endo Emergencies

As preceptor, your role is to guide the assigned resident as they plan their presentation and be present during the session to help guide discussion and questions. Please email Anjali at anjali.pandya@gmail.com if you can preceptor one of these sessions.

Thank you!

Catherine, Charles & Anjali

STAFF Sims Sign up - Spots still available!

[EM Physician Participants: 2023 ED Staff Simulations \(Jan-June 2023\) \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com)

Medical Scribes Survey

Thank you to everyone who has completed the survey so far!

As a reminder the survey closes tonight at midnight.

Are you interested in working with a Medical Scribe? We are conducting a needs assessment survey to find out how you think about Medical Scribes in the Emergency Department. The end objective is the potential creation of a local Scribes program. It takes less than 5 minutes to complete.

Please [click here](#) for the link to the survey. Thank you in advance!

For more information about the survey, or project, please contact Lanette Prediger (lanette.prediger@ahs.ca).

Here is the full link for the survey if the above doesn't work:

https://cornell.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6QH2mfM5Ee5mE98

Dr. Lanette Prediger, CCFP(EM)

Site Medical Lead, South Calgary Urgent Care
Medical Informatics Lead, Calgary Zone
Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Family Medicine, University of Calgary
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STAFF EXAMINERS FOR CCFP-EM ORAL EXAMS : March 9 and June 8, 2023 - In Person

The CCFP-EM Residency Program is in need in One staff examiner for March 9th and 3 more for the oral exams on June 8th

March 9th and June 8th from 1000 – 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.

ROYAL COLLEGE ORAL EXAM PREP

We are looking for examiners for our R4s for their upcoming Royal College oral examination on June 6, 2023. Our resident's have given us a number of dates that they will be available and we do will our best to fill these spots with either 1 or 2 residents per "room" depending on how many staff examiners we have. These sessions will be predominantly be hosted virtually (note the location on the google doc). We will also be hosting Sask residents virtually for one of these dates, as their staff will be providing cases for our residents.

Please sign up in the google document [link](#). We will confirm your session within 1 week of the date. Please contact Chase (krook.chase@gmail.com) for oral exam questions if you would like cases for your sessions.

Thank you in advance,

Brit

Peer Support

1. Call your Peer Support Team. [HERE are their phone numbers \(updated Nov 2022\)](#). 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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Research

Save the date - Research Day - May 4, 2023

The Department of Emergency Medicine will be hosting our 2023 Annual Research Day with our Keynote speaker, Dr. Teresa Chan.

Event on : May 4, 2023 from 8 am to 12 pm at the Libin Theatre. Virtual option is available.

Opportunities

UCalgary Arch Awards 2023

For almost four decades, the **UCalgary Alumni Association Arch Awards** have recognized visionary alumni with bold ambitions to improve our communities and make the world a better place.

Help us honour the achievements of these innovators, entrepreneurs and community champions by nominating an outstanding UCalgary graduate for a [2023 Arch Award](#) and by sharing nomination information with your network. **Not sure if someone is a UCalgary graduate?** Contact Leigh Hurst (CSM Alumni Engagement Office) and she will let you know!

Nominations are open until 11:59 p.m. MT on March 5, 2023.

Associate Research Director

The Associate Research Director is considered a **0.2FTE** position and is paid from the University of Calgary. It is compensated at the rate of **\$41,790.50 annually** inclusive of vacation pay and there are no benefits associated with it. 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.

The selected candidate will work closely with EM Research Section Chief. For further details about the role, please feel free to call or email me, Eddy or speak directly to Kathryn Crowder (Kathryn.Crowder@albertahealthservices.ca) and Katie at katielinmd@gmail.com

Thanks,

Scott Banks

Associate Dean (People, Culture and Health Promotion)

The Cumming School of Medicine invites applications for the position of Associate Dean (People, Culture and Health Promotion).

Please see attached for the complete terms of reference [ToRs](#) for the position.

The successful candidate will hold an MD or PhD; be a member of the CSM faculty; have leadership experience in health promotion and administration; be a respected educator and scholar; and have proven ability to collaborate and sustain relationships within the Faculty.

The position is 0.4 FTE.

Please submit a statement of interest and curriculum vitae **by March 3, 2023**, to:

Dr. [Beverly Adams](#), Vice Dean, Cumming School of Medicine

c/o ibrahim@ucalgary.ca

CME & Learning

Fifth Annual Quality Improvement and Innovation Forum

The Emergency Strategic Clinical Network™ is happy to have this event and will be hosted live from Westerner Park in Red Deer on February 22, 2023. ([Agenda for the forum is attached](#))

This year's full-day event features many great topics from the emergency department and EMS teams. We are also pleased to introduce Dr. Leigh Chapman, Chief Nursing Officer for Canada, as our keynote speaker who will be attending virtually.

We are excited to be able to offer the option to attend in person in Red Deer or virtually (main sessions only) via Zoom. Bus transportation will be available for attendees from Calgary and Edmonton. This event is free of charge and further details will be shared closer to the date for those who register.

Registration for the in- person is now closed. If you would like to watch virtually, please add the below link to your calendar to Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device:

Please click this URL to join. <https://albertahealthservices.zoom.us/j/68115039502?pwd=djQ4eGdlN2diaFh3d0VueDBkblNsZz09> Passcode: 519665

Trauma Resuscitation in Kids (TRIK)

Mindful Practice in Medicine Workshop

March 10-12th, 2023

[In-Person Schedule](#) - Subject to change

[Info and Registration Here.](#)
