



Department of Emergency Medicine

Weekly email

Updates for ED Physicians

January 25, 2022 Edition

Operations

Important Survey “Heads Up”

The PRC will be emailing a link to a survey in the next few days.

This information is crucial for us to be able to appropriately hire and produce schedules for the Calgary Zone. I will relentlessly hound you until you have all filled it out.

Thanks
Neil

N95 Fit Testing – Update Your Card!

A gentle reminder that your N95 fit testing should be renewed every two years, and we are now approaching the 2-year point of the pandemic. [Available fit testing opportunities are listed here.](#)

Please email me at Judy.Mackay@AlbertaHealthServices.ca with your “Mask Type” and “Date of Test” for the Departmental Records.

SCM Updates!

No updates for the week of Jan 24-28, 2022.

Josh Vejprava
Clinical Informatician, IT Clinical Systems User Support

Social Services Resources on My EDapp

An index of **EM relevant social services resources** has been upload to the **my EDapp** (In the Education Portal ->Calgary Social Services Resources). These were developed to assist in patient care (e.g. if there is no social work coverage). Categories include Shelters, ID Services, Peripartum/Family planning, Indigenous health, LGBTQ health, Dental, and Immigrant/newcomer health. These documents will be updated regularly, so please contact Scott (swakeham@qmed.ca) if you have any resources to add or edit.

Thank you,
Scott Wakeham (FR R2), Kelsey Ragan, Claire Acton

CSART Update

As of FEBRUARY 1, 2022, CSART will expand the eligibility for access to our services from the current 96 hours to 7 days (168 hours) after a sexual assault.

All patients presenting to Urgent Care or Emergency Departments who have been sexually assaulted in the previous 7 days (168 hours), should be offered comprehensive services through CSART.

[See full update here.](#)

CSM Dean - Search & Selection Update

As a result of the extensive work done by the CSM Advisory Decanal Selection Committee and Janet Soles & Associates Executive Search, we had a strong applicant pool for the position of Dean. The committee has identified three candidates for second-round interviews. During the townhall meetings there was discussion about the potential for an open versus closed process. We are indeed moving forward with an open process. This means that each of the three candidates that are coming back for a second interview will also make a public presentation. During their public presentation (virtual), each candidate will present followed by a question and answer session.

This is a key stage to the search and selection process for the next CSM Dean.

We ask you to save the below dates which are the scheduled times for the public presentations:

- **Monday February 7, 10:30am-12:00pm – Candidate 1**
- **Tuesday February 8, 9:00am-10:30am – Candidate 2**
- **Wednesday February 9, 9:00am-10:30am – Candidate 3**

The [Cumming School of Medicine Decanal Search](#) page on the Provost website also includes this information and further details on the search.

YYC ED Specific

Opportunity to join an important committee.

The Terms of Reference of the Physicians Resource Committee state that there are 5 Members at Large. We will have 3 members from the Billing Groups (or their designates), but we would also like to have other members.

This committee meets once per month and is responsible for all areas of Physician Resources (Scheduling, Hiring, Seniority Benefits, etc). It is a non-remunerated position, and attendance is on a best effort basis.

The Members at Large will be chosen by the Physicians Executive Committee (PEC). Physicians are asked to reply to the chair of the PEC (Dr. Eddy Lang) with an expression of interest.
-Neil

Opportunity: Clerkship Director - Emergency Medicine UME

This is a position for a three (3) year term with the possibility of renewal, subject to satisfactory review and is expected to be filled by a candidate internally to the Faculty/Department.

The anticipated start date is March 1, 2022 or upon a date to be mutually agreed. The successful candidate will report to the Associate Dean, Undergraduate Medical Education with accountabilities to the Assistant Dean, Clerkship. The Clerkship Director will provide specific operational leadership for the Undergraduate Medical Program in the Emergency Medicine Clerkship and will be responsible for ensuring a cohesive, integrated and sustainable undergraduate curriculum.

This position will be expected to lead change initiatives and strategies in within an evolving curriculum, to act as a faculty contact for faculty expressing interest in teaching, and collaborate with the Undergraduate Medical Education office, Course and Clerkship Directors as well as education leaders at all sites across the curriculum.

[See full description and application info.](#)

Preceptors needed for Academic Day

We are once again recruiting preceptors for our Academic Day for the last quarter of the year. As a preceptor, your job is to guide the assigned resident as they prepare their teaching session & attend the session to help facilitate discussion and answer questions. Preceptors are remunerated for their time at the standard PGME hourly-rate.

Below are the sessions we need preceptors for:

- April 14, 2022 13:00-13:30 Topic- Approach to Atraumatic Joint Pain/Swelling
- April 14, 2022 13:30-15:00 Topic- Rheumatologic Emergencies/Vasculitis
- April 14, 2022 15:00-17:00 Topic- ED Approach to Derm Emergencies
- April 21, 2022 15:00-17:00 Topic- Peds GI & Hydration
- April 28, 2022 14:30-16:00 Topic- Neuromuscular Disorders & Peripheral Neuropathies

- April 28, 2022 16:00-17:00 Topic- Headache and SAH
- May 19, 2022 13:00-15:00 Topic- Hand Injuries
- May 19, 2022 15:00-17:00 Topic- Ortho Lower Extremity
- June 2, 2022 13:00-14:00 Topic- Managing the Agitated Patient
- June 16, 2022 13:00-14:00 Topic- Procedural Sedation
- June 16, 2022 14:00-15:00 Topic- Back Pain
- June 16, 2022 15:00-16:00 Topic- GI Bleeds
- June 16, 2022 16:00-17:00 Topic- Diabetic Emergencies
- June 30, 2022 15:00-16:00 Topic- Liver Disease & Jaundice
- June 30, 2022 16:00-17:00 Topic- Ortho Upper Extremity

As usual, we will run this notice for two-weeks to allow everyone an opportunity to respond prior to making final assignments.

Please email Anjali at anjali.pandya@gmail.com if you are available to preceptor any of these sessions.

We know everyone is exhausted and very busy and we really appreciate everything each and everyone of you does to keep supporting residency education!
-Catherine, Jason & Anjali

Connect Care Superusers Needed!

Recognizing that everyone's bandwidth for extracurricular work is currently at an all-time low, I would nonetheless like to send out another request for interested individuals to contact me regarding Superuser work for the Wave 4 rollout of Connect Care. We are unfortunately behind schedule in recruiting for this role and it is of paramount importance that we fill as many of these slots as possible. And while you may be skeptical on the return on time invested there are a number of important points to consider:

- 1) Patient care and patient flow in the department will be vastly improved at rollout if we are well-supported by a cast of trained Superusers, making the ED a much more manageable place to work
- 2) Your own efficiency with Connect Care will improve significantly, which will improve your patient volumes and reduce frustration
- 3) You have to train in Connect Care no matter what - why not get paid to do it?

More information about the role and its time commitments and remuneration can be found at the following link: <https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/assets/info/cis/if-cis-physician-super-user-info.pdf>

If you have any additional questions, please don't hesitate to contact me

Chris
chall99@gmail.com

Staff facilitator needed for Sim February and March

We are in need of one staff facilitator for Senior FR Simulation session **Tuesday February 22, 2022 to joining Arun Abbi for a session. The session runs from 9am - noon.**

We are also in need of **two staff facilitators for Senior FR simulation Tuesday March 29, 2022. The session runs from 9am to noon.**

Please contact Jen Puddy at jennpuddy@me.com if you are interested or would like more information.

STAFF EXAMINERS FOR CCFP-EM ORAL EXAMS : 2022 March 10 and June 09

The CCFP-EM Residency Program is in need of 9 staff examiners for the oral exams on the following dates:

- **March 10 from 1030 - 1300**
- **June 9th from 1030 – 1300**

These exams will be virtual by Zoom

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.

Faculty/Preceptors Needed for Research Project - Indigenous Health in PGME

My name is Ana Rame; I am a doctoral candidate at the Department of Community Health Sciences, working under the supervision of Dr. Rita Henderson. "[Anti-racism education for improving Indigenous health outcomes: simulation-based critical approaches for Post-graduate Medical Education \(REB: 19-1739\)](#)" is my doctoral research; it focuses on exploring the perceptions on Indigenous health across the PGME community (trainees, faculty, preceptors) as well as the curricular content on Indigenous health and determinants of health. This research aims to develop guidelines that can positively impact Indigenous health outcomes and are tailored specifically to each PGME specialty's specific needs.

Contact: ana.rame1@ucalgary.ca

2022 AIVA

2022 AIVA (Annual Information Verification & Attestation) email notifications have been sent out. Like last year, please log into ServiceNow to complete this year's AIVA (the link is provided in the email). **The deadline to complete is February 19**, weekly automated reminder emails will be sent to the practitioner on Mondays.

-Department of Emergency Medicine

Save the Date - Hodsman Lecture 2022

This year's **Hodsman Legacy Lecture will be April 21, 2022**. Please mark your calendars, details to follow.

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 City-Wide Grand Rounds - Thurs, Jan 27

Session #1: Trauma Rounds (0800 – 0900)

Speaker: Dr. Jon Gilleland

Topic: Pediatric Blunt Cerebrovascular Injury

Zoom Link # 1: <https://cutt.ly/3lwUk6Y>

Meeting ID: 611 8539 6070

Passcode: 584569

Post Meeting Survey: https://survey.ucalgary.ca/jfe/form/SV_9QZYLvPBu5CQvmC

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

Speakers: Dr. Jennifer Thull-Freedman & Dr. Fiona Stewart

Topic: Making Sense of the REVISE II Febrile Infant Guidelines in Alberta's EDs: A collaborative QI Initiative.

Zoom Link # 2: <https://ucalgary.zoom.us/j/99094823520>

Meeting ID: 990 9482 3520

Passcode: 733493

Attendance & Eval Link: https://survey.ucalgary.ca/jfe/form/SV_8JIG2pEGWAWFUy

If you require further info on the ACH Rnds please email the coordinators listed below:

Heather.Numrich@albertahealthservices.ca Gertrud.Vandermey@albertahealthservices.ca

Tanya.Borthwick@albertahealthservices.ca Sherry.MacGillivray@albertahealthservices.ca

Opportunities

Summer Locum Opportunity- spread the word

The Physicians Resource Committee would like to remind everyone to encourage qualified MDs to consider a summer locum in the Calgary Zone EDs.

As a reminder, hiring into the zone for permanent positions happens once a year in the fall, but locums of 2 months (sometimes extending to a year) start in the summer.

We are processing applications now.

Applications can be sent to Scott Banks (scott.banks@ahs.ca).

Any questions can be directed to me. (neil.collins@ahs.ca).

Thanks
-Neil

Teaching Opportunities - Osler

The UME's Course 3 (CV/Resp) is looking for simulation preceptors to teach Harvey sessions on Feb 2, 0830-1020 and 1030-1220, and Feb 14, 1330-1520 and 1530-1720.

You will run through 2 cases – most likely Mitral Regurgitation and Dyspnea. A standardized patient will provide the voice for Harvey.

You will have a group of approx. 5 first-year medical students with no simulation background. They would have completed C1 (Blood/GI) and C2 (MSK/Derm) courses.

If you have questions or wish to sign up, please contact Erin Weir, Program Coordinator, at course3@ucalgary.ca.

ED PLC Site Chief & ED PLC Assistant Site Chief

These positions represent a great opportunity to get involved in the leadership of the Calgary Zone Emergency Department, and influence real change.

Both positions are available effective **March 1, 2022**.

The Emergency Department PLC Site Chief position is a .3FTE role (for further details contact Scott Banks).

The Emergency Department PLC Assistant Site Chief position is a .1FTE role (for further details contact Scott Banks).

To apply for these rarely available opportunities, please email a cover letter highlighting your interest and skillset for this position, and an updated CV.

Cover letters and CV's should be emailed to: ScottH.Banks@albertahealthservices.ca and should be received no later than January 31, 2022. In the cover letter please state which position you're interested in.

Both the jobs are posted on Dr Jobs website, the links to access them are as below:

- [DoctorJobsAlberta.com: Calgary - PLC Emergency Department Site Chief - 40318](https://doctorjobsalberta.com/jobs/calgary-plc-emergency-department-site-chief-40318)
- [DoctorJobsAlberta.com: Calgary - PLC Emergency Department Assistant Site Chief - 40317](https://doctorjobsalberta.com/jobs/calgary-plc-emergency-department-assistant-site-chief-40317)

If you have any questions about these roles, please feel free to call or email me, Neil, and the current Site Chief (Dr. Chris Bond) and Assistant Site Chief (Dr. Alyssa Morris) about the roles.

-Scott Banks

Leadership Opportunities - UME

As some of you may know, our curriculum for preclerkship is being restructured and will change in July 2023 with the Year 1 class. With that said, there are 3 Preclerkship Director positions posted that will lead this curriculum change and renewal.

Here is the link to the website where all the postings and job profiles are located:

<https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/mdprogram/faculty/job-opportunities>

All resumes can be directed to our Associate Dean, Dr. Chris Naugler at associatedean.ume@ucalgary.ca.

CME

Airway Interventions and Management in Emergencies (AIME) - CAEP

The [Airway Interventions and Management in Emergencies \(AIME\)](#) course has been providing valued and practical hands-on airway management learning experiences for clinicians around the world for over 21 years.

AIME educators are experienced (and entertaining) clinical instructors who understand the varied work environments of practicing clinicians. Whether you work in a large, high volume centre or a small remote setting, AIME will provide a practical approach for airway management in emergencies.

R2C2 Evidence - Informed Facilitated Feedback Workshop 2022

PGME is pleased to announce that we will be offering a [R2C2 Evidence-Informed Facilitated Feedback Workshop](#) on the following date:

March 3rd , 2022
9:00 - 11:00 am

This session will be held over zoom.

For those individuals that are interested in attending the session, this workshop is accredited and participants will be able to claim 2.0 hours of section 1 credits with the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

As programs prepare for the transition to CBD, programs will be encouraged to adopt academic advisors (or coaches) to meet with residents at regular intervals to review all of their assessments, provide feedback and assist the resident to develop a personal learning plan. This workshop will teach participants how to use an evidence informed facilitated feedback model and learning change plan that will optimize the effectiveness of the feedback and provide coaching for change for residents.

The workshop is targeted towards educators who are or will be performing the following roles:

- Academic advisors (or coaches) in CBD
- Longitudinal preceptors
- Program directors
- Rotation coordinators who are responsible for synthesizing multiple assessments and providing residents with summative feedback

To register for this session please email emily.fortini@ucalgary.ca by February 24th, 2022 as there is limited spots.

2022 Emergency Quality Improvement and Innovation Forum - Registration

The Emergency Strategic Clinical Network™ of Alberta Health Services is pleased to invite you to attend the virtual 2022 Emergency Quality Improvement and Innovation Forum which is scheduled to take place **Tuesday, February 22, 2022 from 0800-1200hrs via Zoom**.

Along with a number of great presentations from our colleagues in emergency medicine from around the province that highlight data-driven and evidence-based research and quality improvement work, we are pleased to welcome our key-note speaker, Dr. Kendall Ho. Dr. Ho leads HEiDi , the Real-Time

Virtual Support service in British Columbia launched during COVID-19 to safely divert COVID-19 related visits.

Share with your entire team and register early as virtual space is limited!

[Register now here.](#)

Kudos Corner

*"A massive thank you to **Alyssa Morris, Chris Bond, Ian Walker & Dave Lendrum** from the FMC/PLC group as they battle daily staffing issues. Your work does not go unnoticed!"*

We received a patient commendation today that was from the husband of a patient that passed away in 2020. Due to the personal nature of the letter, please see an excerpt where the patient expressed their gratitude for **Dr. Braden Teitge and MTU Resident - Dr. Robinson.**

"Doctor Braeden Teitge was the first to examine my wife and then had the job of advising us of the seriousness of her condition and probably outcome. We were taken to Unit B where my family gathered. Dr. Robinson advised my family of Palliative Care. Both doctors were compassionate and professional... there is a huge difference between doing the chores as part of your job, and doing them while truly caring, and doing something that you want to do out of kindness. These people are my family's heroes, and I thank them with all my heart."
