



Department of Emergency Medicine

Weekly email

Updates for ED Physicians

June 28, 2022 Edition

Operations

Workflow V/Q scans for the next day

Please see the [following memo from Radiology](#).

A reminder that during the global shortage of contrast, V/Q scans remain a viable option to rule out PE in suitable patients, but there is variable availability of the test after hours.

This memo outlines how to order an after hours V/Q in SCM and Connect Care.

If the V/Q is likely to be indeterminate or if the patient is unstable, CT PE is still available.

Neil

Private Superuser Support now available

Now that we have completed launch, AHS has ended super user funding. However, we know there might be people still struggling with Connect Care.

Some of our Launch 4 super users have agreed to provide private fee-for-service support which could be private tutoring, at-elbow support on shift, Connect care optimization or efficiency tips/tricks. Fee is \$175/hr paid to the super user.

Feel free to contact the super users below to discuss your needs and arrange times.

- Fareen Zaver - fzaver@gmail.com
- Meira Louis - mei.rah@gmail.com
- Mike Betzner - betznerm@me.com
- Nadim Lalani - njalani@gmail.com
- Haley Cochrane - haley.cochrane@gmail.com

SCM Updates

ED Diabetes Peds - Updated

Effective June 30, 2022, the 'insulin lispro inj' order item in ED Diabetes Peds order set will be updated to 'insulin lispro (ADMELOG) inj' to reflect a change in the formulary brand supplied. Admelog will replace Humalog as formulary brand. For Humalog orders, clinicians will need to use the non-formulary medication orders.

YYC ED Specific

FMC Level 1 Trauma Process Sim Sessions

After a significant delay due to covid, we are aiming to get the FMC level 1 trauma process simulations up and running again. The goal of these sessions is to work on a systematic framework of communication, role and task delegation, as well as safe integration of learners into the trauma team for all level 1 trauma activations. The emphasis is not on the actual medical content of the cases. These sessions will consist of a pre-ambule that goes through the current recommendations followed by 2 cases. This work is based on many years of interdisciplinary collaborative work within the trauma committee, we welcome all feedback about the existing process, and have previously incorporated changes from the prior 2020 sessions.

We are hoping to start these sessions on July 12, 2022. We are aiming to offer 2 sessions a month from now until the end of Jan 2023. Each session can support 4 participating EDMDs, and 2 observing EDMDs. The goal is to get the remaining EDMDs who have not previously been through this session through by the end of Jan 2023. Preference will be given to those who have not yet attended, however if you have previously attended and would like to attend as a refresher that is of course welcome, but just be aware the cases are currently the same as what was done in 2020. If you are unsure if you have previously attended these sessions that were held between July 1- Dec 30, 2020 you can contact Lilian Prudencio who has a list of prior participants and observers. To date around 25 EDMDs have attended, while there are ~ 120 FMC EDMDs on the roster. These sessions are open to any EDMD in the Calgary zone, including those that do not currently have a formal FMC line.

I understand that we are all tired and looking forward to a summer break, I hope that we can find enough people to fill these upcoming summer sessions, but I want to respectfully acknowledge how hard everyone is already working. A sign-up genius has been sent out, please consider signing up.

FMC Interdisciplinary Trauma Rounds Oct 21, 2022

A recent trauma QAR has provided a recommendation for a joint interdisciplinary rounds between emergency medicine, trauma services, ICU, anaesthesia and transfusion medicine. The goal of these rounds will be to review and disseminate current state of the literature as it pertains to massive hemorrhage protocols. Dr. Julia Haber from anaesthesia is coordinating these joint rounds which is to be given on Oct 21, 2022, she is looking for an interested physician within the FMC ED MD group who would be willing to collaborate and co-present. Please email Dr. Haber directly at: julia.haber@ahs.ca and david.lendrum@ahs.ca if you are interested in participating.

Thanks, Andrea and Dave

To sign up: [FMC Level 1 Trauma Process Sims \(signupgenius.com\)](https://www.signupgenius.com)

CCFP-EM Program Residency Competency Committee (RCC) is recruiting!

The program will be replenishing the RCC for the upcoming academic year. The RCC is the arms-length academic oversight committee for the CCFP-EM residency, which provides guidance to the program director and core teachers with respect to resident advancement. This is an excellent opportunity to contribute to the program and gain formal educational experience, with a relatively low time commitment. The RCC meets quarterly for 1-2 hours, with minimal to no commitments in between.

If interested, please reach out to Charles Wong (incoming EM PD) ASAP @ charleskhong@gmail.com.

Feedback needed: Continuing Competence standard of practice

The CPSA is seeking feedback on the new *Continuing Competence* standard of practice as outlined in the email below. If you have any feedback on these standards, please submit by July 6 through the following link: [Consultation 023 - College of Physicians & Surgeons of Alberta | CPSA](#).

Important Residency Dates

Dear staff - In hopes of making it easier to attend some of our residency events we are circulating a list of "[important residency events for staff](#)".

Please specifically take note of **SEPTEMBER 19**, this is the FR external residency accreditation (only happens every 6-8 years) and a strong showing from our teaching faculty will be very important. Madhavi will circulate a more detailed schedule for that day when we have it.

Catherine, Anj, Jason and Charles

Methamphetamine toxicity study

Dr. Stephanie VandenBerg and Dr. Monty Ghosh are leading a research study, funded by the Calgary Health Foundation, that is looking to create evidence-based protocols to help manage acute methamphetamine toxicity in a trauma-informed, patient-centric model within Calgary-based Emergency Departments, Urgent Care Centres, out-patient settings, and social-service settings. This study has received University of Calgary ethics approval (REB22-0326).

We'd love your feedback/perspectives and experiences! In the next few weeks, you'll come across [posters with a QR code](#) advertising the study in the EDs but also wanted to share specifically with our ED MDs and invite you to access the survey via the link below (or by QR code on the poster - whichever is more convenient for your)

The survey is now officially active/live, and [Healthcare Providers can access the survey 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.

Grand Rounds & Journal Club

Emergency Medicine Grand Rounds

- **Date:** Thurs, June 30, 2022
- **Time:** 0900 – 1000 ([1.0 Education Credits](#))
- **Room:** Zoom Only
- **Zoom:** <https://zoom.us/j/98848048571>
- **Eval:** <https://cutt.ly/xT82kgH>

Moderator: Dr. Andrew Fagan

Speaker: Dr. Andrew Petrosoniak (Bio Attached)

Topic: Making the call for MHP: A practical approach to the bleeding patient

Recording Link: Archived Rounds Recordings can be found [on our website.](#)

Please don't share the zoom link and connection details on social media or any website.

Clinical Pharmacology & Toxicology - Pearl of the Week: [Acute Generalized Exanthematous Pustulosis \(AGEP\)](#)

Opportunities

Physician Lead - Integrated Operations Centre/ Patient Flow

[See job posting here.](#)

EP Liaison Lead Mental health position with ED - IA 4223

[See job posting here.](#)

ED Research Section Chief

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.

Stephanie decided to step down from this role and pursue other interests effective September 1, 2022.

The Emergency Department Research Section Chief position is a **0.3 FTE** role. 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 July 15**.

Accountabilities and Deliverables of the Emergency Department Research Section Chief include but not limited to:

- Leadership, supervision and fostering the success of the Emergency Department's research program.
- Support of ongoing and future research by all members of the Emergency Department in all phases, as needed, including:
- Hypothesis development and introduction of external multi-centre studies, study design, execution, analysis and publication.
- Working with the Emergency Medicine Calgary Zone Clinical Department Head, the Emergency Department Manager and the Research Committee to ensure the associated research budget supports departmental research projects, necessary personnel, equipment and software.
- Involvement with the Residency Training Program in terms of teaching research methodology and supervising projects as needed.
- Leadership in completing personal research projects and supervising others including applying for external grant funding for original projects.
- Support the Emergency Medicine Calgary Zone Clinical Department Head in addressing interdepartmental and external negotiations such as access of faculty and departments outside of the Emergency Department, and to patients for study enrolment.
- The incumbent is accountable for research matters and reports directly to the Calgary Zone Clinical Department Head of Emergency Medicine.
- The Emergency Department Section Chief of Research will update the Calgary Zone Clinical Department Head, listing activities and progress as requested.
- Attend Calgary Emergency Department Physician Executive Committee, and other meetings as required including Emergency Department retreats.

[See job posting here.](#)

Thanks - if you have any questions about the role, please feel free to call or email me, Eddy or speak directly to Stephanie about the role.

-Scott Banks, scott.banks@ahs.ca

Applications Welcome - Director of Learner Wellness Programming, Postgraduate Medical Education

Applications are invited for a PGME Director of Learner Wellness Programming. This position will be responsible for educational curricula, workshops, and faculty development related to learner wellness. The Director will establish a Wellness Programming Committee and participate in continuous quality improvement exercises to evaluate the outcome of wellness initiatives. Engagement with individual program directors and learners to assess wellness needs and support programming will be an important function of this position.

Educational scholarship related to the evaluation of wellness will be an expectation for this position. The Director of Learner Wellness Programming will work collaboratively with the Director of Resident Affairs and Physician Wellness, Office of Health and Medical Education Scholarship, and the PGME Education and Research Lead, and others as appropriate.

The successful candidate will have experience in postgraduate medical education and an in-depth understanding of issues related to physician wellness. Previous experience with program development and education scholarship will be an asset. Candidates must be faculty members of the University of Calgary, Cumming School of Medicine. This position is 0.3 FTE and reports to the Associate Dean, Postgraduate Medical Education.

[A detailed job profile is attached.](#)

Interested applicants are asked to submit a brief letter of interest and curriculum vitae to Dr. L. Welikovitch, Associate Dean, PGME at crystal.boisselle@ucalgary.ca no later than **June 30, 2022**.

UME Leadership Opportunities

Just a reminder that UME has posted leadership and teaching opportunities. If you are interested in Medical Education, leading change and teaching in the MD Program, you will find posted some

interesting and challenging positions.

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

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

[Click to see a intro video on the RIME curriculum](#) and opportunities to be involved.

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

CME & Learning

Upcoming EDI-related events and webinars

July 5, 6:00 – 7:30pm MT: All members of Calgary's Black communities are invited to learn about the importance of mental health in an online workshop, **Let's Talk! Black Mental Health**, including signs/symptoms of poor mental health, when to seek professional care and information about free services from the UCalgary Psychology Clinic. Details and registration [here](#)

July 6, 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 Structural Racism. Details and registration [here](#)

July 12, 10:00am MT: The next session in the AAMC's IDEAS Learning Series is **Improving the Learning Environment for LGBTQ+ Medical Students**. Presenters will discuss inequities faced by LGBTQ+ students during their medical training and highlight practices that faculty and leadership can employ to improve the learning environment. Details and registration [here](#)

July 21, 12:00 – 1:00pm MT: The UCalgary community is invited to attend an online webinar, **Reflecting on Well-Being and Assessment Practices Using an Ethics-of-Care Lens**, as part of the Taylor Institute's Summer Wellness Series. Details and registration [here](#)

Upcoming EDI-related Conferences & Events:

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 Dr. Cody Dunne on receiving the SAEM22 Award for Best Resident Abstract and Presentation! Your presentation, *"Strategies to Reduce Computed Tomography Usage in the Emergency Department: A Systematic Review"*
