



Department of Emergency Medicine

Weekly **email**

Updates for ED Physicians

March 23, 2021 Edition

COVID-19 Updates

Wellness COVID Updates

1. **Call your Peer Support Team.** 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 6 free hours of counselling for yourself and 6 free for your family members.

March YYCEM Happiness Challenge!

It's March and that means it's month three of the YYCEM Happiness Challenge! This month's challenge is learning to incorporate acts of kindness into our daily lives. When kindness is shared it grows. "Kind words can be short and easy to speak but their echoes are truly endless" ~ Mother Teresa. Let's spread so much kindness this month that the echoes can be felt and heard all throughout our hospitals! Because kindness has a multiplying effect this month has another **MONTHLY PRIZE**. Check out the website and the March video to learn more.

Click here to discover more: www.yycemhappinesschallenge2021.com

Click here to watch the March video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KeQ-MkmZPe8>

Operations

Surge Stipend - Great News!

The \$300 oncall (surge) stipend that was scheduled to end on March 31, 2021, has been extended by AHS Medical Affairs until December 31, 2021. As a reminder, when working a surge shift please send your invoice directly to me and copy Lilian (Lilian.Prudencio@ahs.ca).

Thanks, feel free to email or call me if you have any questions.

Scott Banks

POCUS Certified Staff Update

I am updating our list of POCUS (Point of Care Ultrasound) certified staff physicians.

I use this list to reach out to staff for teaching opportunities in our Core and Advanced Ultrasound curricula and for bedside teaching sessions for the FR and EM residents.

Please take a look at the Google doc and ensure your information is up-to-date.

Here is the link:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1REGLgmSZf3LiaKQCyZxopCJRx1wK61ai0UUCIIN6M7I/edit?usp=sharing>

If you are certified but not interested in teaching at this time, you can indicate this in my table as well. It is helpful information to have on a department wide level.

Our next introductory ultrasound course (CRISP) for incoming residents will be July 15, 2021. I will be reaching out to recruit preceptors in the next few months. If you already know you'd like to teach, send me an email.

As always, I welcome any questions or suggestions for improvement of the ultrasound curriculum.

Sincerely,

Kasia Lenz
Resident Ultrasound Education Lead

Clinical Privileges Form

Clarification of the "Clinical Privileges Form" that everyone was asked to fill out.

Bonnie Joseph from Medical Affairs has emailed all ED MD's to ask them to fill out the "Clinical Privileges Form"

This is a standard renewal of your privileges to perform procedures.

Please check all the procedures off for all the Hospitals in Calgary that you are "appointed" to. Most of us are appointed to all hospitals (in case of disaster etc). If you make a mistake here, Bonnie will correct it.

The list is not completely comprehensive of all procedures and is not meant to prohibit anyone from doing anything that is medically necessary in an emergency.

Don't fill out the "Primary/Supplementary" box.

Sign it and return it to Bonnie and she will return it to Eddy or I for our signature.

Thanks

Neil

Mental Disorder definition update

On March 31st, a change to the definition of a "mental disorder" will come into effect. Please refer to this [document for information regarding the change](#), and how this affects our us and our patients. If you would like some additional information, Dr. Nicholas Mitchell, the Provincial Medical Director for Addictions and Mental Health, provided an update on this topic at the end of our ED Grand Rounds on February 18th.

Some additional feedback from our psychiatry colleagues regarding ED MD completion of Form 1s:
- There is no need to print out and sign 3 copies of a Form 1. This is still happening in some cases, and is not necessary.

- Please make sure the Form 1 is complete (Part A&B completed), timed and signed appropriately, and provides enough detail outlining how the patient meets all 4 criteria.

If you have any additional questions, please let me know.

Jennifer Nicol

Mental Health Emergency Physician Liaison

SCM Updates!

[Click here to read:](#)

- ED. Consults In Hospital Order Set - Update
- Vancomycin Injection Dosing and Monitoring Guideline - Updates
- Viral Respiratory Infection Testing Order Set - Update

Joshua Vejprava RN BSc BN MBA

Clinical Informatician | IT Clinical Systems User Support – Calgary Zone| Clinical Services – IT | Alberta Health Services

SCM Downtime - Thurs Mar 25, 0300hrs - 0430hrs

Applications affected: SCM, SEC and SCM Ambulatory

[Details here.](#)

PSF Update

PSF application is open. [PSF mandate and review process](#) are available. Download the [application form here](#).

Deadline for submission: March 31, 2021

- PSF Committee

Physician Participation Needed!

Study participants needed: [Teamwork Characteristics in Different Healthcare Environments](#)

Are you a healthcare provider who works on a team? Would you be willing to share a brief story that illustrates your teamwork experience and answer some follow up survey questions?

[Click here to participate.](#)

Education. CME. Rounds.

Emergency Medicine Grand Rounds

March 25th, 2021

0900 – 1030 (1.5 Education Credits)

Session #1: (0900 – 0945)

Dr. Jenny Strong, CCFP-EM Resident – U of C

Topic: Frostbite

Description: *Frostbite pathophysiology, grading and ED management along with the current protocols for the Calgary ED.*

Session #2: (0945 – 1030)

Dr. Jacqueline Luhoway, CCFP-EM Resident – U of C

Topic: Toxicity from topical application of over-the-counter products

Description: *A review of commonly utilized commercially available products that contain salicylates, camphor, antihistamines, and local anesthetics that have resulted in systemic toxicity and emergency department visits.*

ZOOM session

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

Evaluation form: Complete a separate form for each session: <https://forms.gle/szfmBrmxiesjuGfg8>.

MainPro credits for EM physicians in the Calgary Zone will automatically populate on the forms after submission.

Recording Link: Recordings of this Thursday's Grand Rounds (Except QAER & ACH City-Wide Rnds) will be available the following Tuesday on our website:

<https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/departments/emergency-medicine/professional-development/grand-rounds/grand-rounds-archive>

June 3rd Grand Rounds: Addiction medicine.

We will be hosting a panel of experts to answer any questions you may have about treating addictions in Calgary. To allow the speakers to best prep for the talk, please ask your addictions related questions in the link below so that they can adequately prepare for the presentation. Thanks!

<https://forms.gle/e9azvFDVPxTSfs7D7>

Fareen

Stanford Medicine: Teaching LGTBG Health

Over the 8 modules in this course, you will learn important LGBTQ health content and practical ways to integrate these concepts into your daily clinical teaching. Specific topics include: A primer on LGBTQ health vocabulary, an overview of social and behavioral determinants of queer health, a review of several teaching strategies and interactive case examples of queer health issues.

<https://stanford.cloud-cme.com/course/courseoverview?P=8&EID=39867>

PADIS Question of the Week presentations

The Poison and Drug Information Service (PADIS) is inviting any Calgary Zone ED staff member to sign up for notifications of our Question of the Week (QOTW) virtual presentations. QOTW runs every Friday from 1-2pm MST and features short presentations by rotating residents, fellows and staff on a variety of toxicology and pharmacology topics. If anyone is interested in being added to the PADIS QOTW email list for dates, presentation topics and Zoom meeting links, please send an email to padis.admin@ahs.ca and ask to be added to the list.

Mark Yarema
Medical Director
PADIS

TAC Conference

TAC 2021 is virtual this year the week of April 12-16, 2021! Conference Co-Chairs: Dr David Evans and Micheline Wiebe (from Vancouver) Scientific Program Chair: Dr Paul Engels. Date: Week of April 12-16, 2021 <https://www.traumacanada.org/tac-conference-information/>

MARCH CSM Fac Dev Workshops!

Include:

THE CLINICAL COACH – HOW TO COACH YOUR LEARNERS

By the end of this workshop, you will be able to describe the Clinical COACH model, and use the Clinical COACH model with your clinical learners.

Tuesday, March 30, 2021

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM MDT

[SIGN UP NOW!](#)

View all [Fac Dev Workshops Here](#).

Opportunities

Applications Welcome - Medical Directors within the Alberta International Medical Graduate Program

There are two Medical Director positions available within the Alberta International Medical Graduate (AIMG) Program for medical educators with a passion for assessment and curriculum development. Each of the two Medical Director positions is a 0.2 FTE position available to full-time and clinical faculty members within the Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary. The Medical Directors will report to the Executive Director of the AIMG Program and oversee the planning and execution of exams, orientation programs and workplace--based assessments of AIMG program applicants. There will also be opportunities to work collaboratively on scholarly projects related to AIMG activities.

Click for a full job description for each Medical Director position - [CAP & MMI](#) and [Externship & NAC](#). Please forward a letter of interest along with a current curriculum vitae by **March 26, 2021** to:

C. Maria Bacchus, MD, MSc, FRCPC
Executive Director, Alberta International Medical Graduate Program

Kudos Corner

Huge shout out to Jill Vandenbrand who did a spectacular job supporting the Hodsman Committee under the masterful leadership of Dr. Marcie Veitch.

Reviews have been stellar and the content can be viewed at:

[March 11, 2021 Calgary Zone Emergency Department Grand Rounds - YouTube](#)
