

# Department of Emergency Medicine

## Calgary Zone

weekly email updates for ED Physicians

DEM News Subscriber,

## Operations

### Notes from Catherine

#### Eddy's acknowledgement

Thanks to all those who were available to attend, sadly Eddy did not perform Karaoke for us but has promised to do so in the future.

#### Provincial Medical Informatics positions

Approximately 32 to 36 positions in medical informatics are available provincially including one's dedicated to Emergency & EMS. Please consider applying if you are interested

<https://doctorjobsalberta.albertahealthservices.ca/jobs/digital-health-provincial-medical-informatics-lead-4347>

#### Clinical Promotions!!

All members of the Department of Emergency Medicine are required to hold a clinical appointment. Most individuals are initially appointed as Clinical Lecturers upon hiring. Over time, clinicians have the opportunity to apply for promotion to roles such as Clinical Assistant Professor, Clinical Associate Professor, and Clinical Professor. Although these promotions do not include additional compensation, they serve as important recognition of clinical excellence and provide valuable avenues for professional growth and career advancement. Applications for the 2024-2025 cycle are upon us.

Recommendations for Clinical Professor are due Feb 21, 2025 and are quite involved (recognition letter, summary of publications, 6 external referees, teaching dossier) - if you are thinking of pursuing this, please reach out to Catherine ASAP to discuss.

Recommendations for Clinical Assistant Professor and Clinical Associate Professor are due March 21, 2025 and require a CV, Department head recommendation letter, and a document outlining contributions to education - if you are thinking of pursuing this, please let Jordan-Rose and Catherine know by January 31, 2025 for guidance on document preparation and so that we can plan to prepare your Department Head letter.

**Save the Date** – Department of Emergency Medicine **Children's** Christmas Party – **December 8, 2024** 2pm-4pm at Catherine's house. There will be activities for the kids (gingerbread house making, gingerbread decorating etc.) even if you think your kids are too small to participate please come by and hangout! Please RSVP with Jordan-Rose [Jordan-Rose.Detillieux@ahs.ca](mailto:Jordan-Rose.Detillieux@ahs.ca)

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## Here is the Connect Care update for this week;

### HPTP Referrals

Friendly reminder that HPTP is still reporting numerous referrals that are not being sent in the proper fashion. In some cases, referrals are being sent to the wrong department (they should be sent to the appropriate, site-specific HPTP clinic, NOT 'Infectious diseases clinic') and in some cases the ambulatory referral order is not being entered at all. If the referral is not sent to the appropriate department, HPTP will not know that patient is coming and will not call them for their appointment in the morning. The Calgary Zone Referrals document has details on how to enter the ambulatory referral appropriately <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1nY54n2dgWDfZsh0KCD6R5Zvb2Rx2Wm9n/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=108419507683669552471&rtpof=true&sd=true> and I am attaching a tipsheet that HPTP has created for us. PLEASE NOTE that the instructions for the relevant HPTP clinic should be added to the AVS (the Referrals document also details how to do this). Please make sure to follow the workflows in place at your specific site to ensure that this information gets into the patient's hands - it is a nice failsafe to ensure the patient will be able to contact the clinic if they do not hear from them

[https://media.campaigner.com/media/77/776142/Emergency Medicine/11\\_November/HPTP referral memo.pdf?id=n1imofy?f\\_type=file&f\\_name=HPTP referral memo.pdf](https://media.campaigner.com/media/77/776142/Emergency%20Medicine/11_November/HPTP_referral_memo.pdf?id=n1imofy?f_type=file&f_name=HPTP_referral_memo.pdf)

As always, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out!

Chris

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## DEM Academic Grand Rounds and Journal Club

Grand Rounds Thursday November 14th, 2024  
(0900—1015)

### **Evaluation Link:**

[DEM Academic Grand Rounds Evaluation - Google Forms](#)

### **For Emergency Physicians** (Calgary Zone):

The evaluation form must be submitted to receive your education credits.

This applies to both Zoom & In-Person attendance.

Your credits will be compiled at the end of the year and sent to you for submission.

**Event: Emergency Medicine Grand Rounds**

**Date: Thurs, November 14, 2024**

**Time: 0900 – 1000 (1.0 Education Credits)**

**Room: Theatre 4 – HSC**

**Zoom Link: <https://albertahealthservices.zoom.us/j/61834756597?pwd=SkG1ZmdXOGdRWmgxMUc0U3INMjR5Zz09>**

**Short Zoom:**

Meeting ID: 618 3475 6597

**Passcode: 407952**

**One tap mobile: +15873281099,,68891970879# Canada**

**By phone: Canada: +1 587 328 1099 Webinar ID: 618 3475 6597**

### **Session #1 (0900-1000)**

**Speaker: Dr. Trevor Langhan MD FRCPC**

**Associate Professor**

**[trevorlanghan@me.com](mailto:trevorlanghan@me.com)**

Dr. Langhan has been working in the Calgary Health Region for over 20 years. He designed and implemented the University of Calgary Emergency Medicine clerkship in 2008, and acted as director of the program for 10 years. He has authored and presented on a number of clinical and educational topics in Emergency Medicine. Most recently he has been focused on clinical Emergency Medicine and his family.

**Title: The Aging Emergency Physician**

**Description:** Emergency Medicine doctors skew younger when compared to other hospital care providers. With a focus on his personal experience over 20 years working in an academic tertiary care hospital, Dr Langhan will review the many factors at play as an aging Emergency Physician.

### **Session #2 (1000-1015)**

#### **Research Update**

**Speaker: Dr. Jessica Moe (UBC)**

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

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

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

[To view archived grand rounds, please visit our website.](#)



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## Journal Club

You are invited to attend the **Emergency Medicine Journal Club** on Thursday, November 14, 2024.

**Date:** November 14, 2024,

**Time:** 18:00 to 21:00

**Topic:** The sonographic protocol for the emergent evaluation of aortic dissections (SPEED protocol)

**Presenters:** Drs. Allen Vorobeichik and Anil Keshvara

**Preceptor:** Dr. Katie Lin

**Hosted by:** Dr. Catherine Patocka

[Nov 14\\_2024 - JC Invite.pdf](#)

[Academic Emergency Medicine - 2023 - Gibbons -.pdf](#)

## Emergency Medicine Journal Club

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## Department News

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### Emergency Physician Spotlight

Today's spotlight features Dr. Cameron McGillivray. You can read more about this amazing doctor below.



More than half a century ago, I was conceived, born, and raised in BC. I returned to UBC for medical school and residency after a failed attempt at being a professional athlete. During residency, I met my future wife, Margaret, and since we've had the good fortune to practice Emergency Medicine in BC and Ontario before coming to Calgary when the South Health Campus was built.

I love being in Calgary. The city, restaurants, and culture are fantastic. It has been a great place to raise our children. But in my opinion, the most attractive part of being in Calgary is our work colleagues. I feel truly fortunate to be a part of the Calgary EM Department. We are a high-performance organization.

In terms of hobbies, I like to garden, bake, run, downhill ski, and follow my beloved Seahawks. Most people from BC like to garden and bake, but I am actually legit and neither hobby involves cannabis. I am a decent golfer. My guitar skills are terrible... embarrassingly terrible. I should quit and admit defeat.

My real passion and the best part of my life is being a dad to our three daughters.

My advice for colleagues... "Sweep the leg!"

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## FRCP CaRMS File Reviewers – HELP NEEDED

We are in the process of putting together our FRCPC CaRMS 2025 team. File review is an **integral step** to matching future residents to our program and represents a huge job that we cannot do alone.

We require volunteers to review the files to inform the shortlist for interviews. This is typically about 35 files reviewed per person. It takes about 20 min to review a file and so this represents approximately ~15 hours of work over a fixed 2.5 week period.

### CaRMS Timeline

**November 29th** - file review opens

**Dec 2 (or sooner)** - file assignments finalized by Anj and sent to reviewers

**Dec 2-Dec 17** - file review period

**Dec 18 12pm-3pm** - in-person meeting to finalize interview list (*virtual option possible though in-person preferred*)

We recognize that everyone is busy and in addition it is a busy time of year, however we cannot compromise on how CaRMS candidates are evaluated and require a minimum number of volunteers to ensure a fair and robust file review process.

We ask that you please seriously consider this request and reach out if you are interested and available, we would love to work with you! You can reach us at [anjali.pandya@gmail.com](mailto:anjali.pandya@gmail.com) or [kelsey.ragan@ucalgary.ca](mailto:kelsey.ragan@ucalgary.ca)

Anj & Kelsey

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## Mental Health Update:

### Form 23:

As you know Form 23 is a conveyance order for a patient under a current CTO. There has been some back and forth about issuing a Form 1 when a patient has been brought to the Emergency Department under a Form 23. This process has been clarified by Recovery Alberta legal, the CTO team and psychiatry.

The emergency physician should complete a Form 1 if they think it is warranted. A single Form 1 does not impact the CTO and allows the psychiatric emergency team to further assess within the 72 hours of arrival at the facility to determine if a 2nd certificate is required.

Please note, the completion of a single Form 1 does not have a downstream impact on the CTO. This is also being circulated to our psychiatry colleagues as a reminder.

All patients arriving under a Form 23 should be referred to the psychiatric emergency team for review prior to discharge. A Form 24 must be completed prior to discharge of the patient.

In addition, you may be able to check the last dose of the CTO medication by searching CTO on the storyboard. Please note that this is useful if the patient has received the medication at a place that is on connect care, otherwise it will not be accurate.

Please let me know if you run into any concerns, I am happy to deal with them directly.

Ayesha Khory

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## CCFP-EM Staff Examiners

### Staff Examiners Required FOR CCFP-EM ORAL EXAMS : 2024 Thursday's **November 28<sup>th</sup>**, 2024 – In Person

The CCFP-EM Residency Program is in need of 3 staff examiners for the oral exams for :

- **November 28<sup>th</sup>** 2024 from 1030 – 1300

**These exams are In-Person sessions. Lunch will be provided.**

Please check your availability and let me know if you can help on **November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024** please send the responses to [TriSurendra.Malasani@ahs.ca](mailto:TriSurendra.Malasani@ahs.ca)

Your help and assistance is very much appreciated!! Once confirmed Tris will send Calendar invites

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## Research

### Research in Development – Dr. Stephanie Vandenberg presenting

Thursday November 28, 2024  
12:00 Noon to 1:00 pm

**Topic: Recovery Coach Network Program in Adult Emergency Departments in Calgary**

**Research In Development Rounds will review the evidence behind the use of Recovery Coaches in the ED as well as important reporting metrics for performance measurement and evaluation.**

**Background:** The emergency department (ED) is often the first point of access to the health care system for adults with acute substance use concerns. In collaboration with multiple stakeholders including people with lived experience, researchers, operations leads, physicians and addiction service providers, we have designed a program that involves the creation of a Recovery Coach Network (RCN) supporting persons with substance use concerns in transitioning between acute care and community care on their recovery journey. Recovery Coaches (RCs) are persons with lived experience of substance use, experienced in using a recovery model to assist clients to overcome barriers to healthcare access and facilitate timely access to care. In addition to assisting with navigating the healthcare system, RCs bring the element of empathetic lived experience.

#### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://albertahealthservices.zoom.us/j/62324063208?pwd=PazpmPMXxN8f7WE6iCyDflsha084YR.1>

**Meeting ID:** 623 2406 3208

**Passcode:** 759667

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## DEI Corner

*“Each month in this section a digestible resource for education on topics devoted to equity, diversity, inclusion, reconciliation and social justice will run for those faculty who are interested in educating themselves on these topics. We recognize that all faculty come to these subjects with different experiences and readiness, and that we are all on our own educational paths. We believe that all members of this department are committed to creating an inclusive environment for our colleagues and patients.*

*This month consider tuning in to “Healing 150 Years of Healthcare Harm”, an episode of Unreserved. Unreserved is an award winning CBC radio show with host Rosanna Deerchild. This episode is a rich Indigenous led conversation on the recent CMA apology for its role in harms against Indigenous people in the healthcare system: <https://www.cbc.ca/listen/live-radio/1-105/clip/16100682>”*

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# Conferences, Workshops and Courses

Further information on these conferences and courses can be found on the web pages below.

Conferences: <https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/departments/emergency-medicine/faculty-staff/professional-development/conferences-interest>

Courses: <https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/departments/emergency-medicine/faculty-staff/professional-development/workshop-and-courses>

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## Updated Newsletter Process

Submissions can be sent to: [natalie.sun@ahs.ca](mailto:natalie.sun@ahs.ca) and CC [Jordan-Rose.Detillieux@ahs.ca](mailto:Jordan-Rose.Detillieux@ahs.ca).

- Submissions will run for a period of one week
- Body copy will be edited at the discretion of the editor to optimize communication
- The deadline is **Tuesday at noon**

For reoccurring submissions, **there is a max two week run and this must be requested**. If you would like to re-run your submission after two weeks, please submit with updates.

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