

Department of Emergency Medicine

Weekly **email**

Updates for ED Physicians

April 09, 2024 Edition

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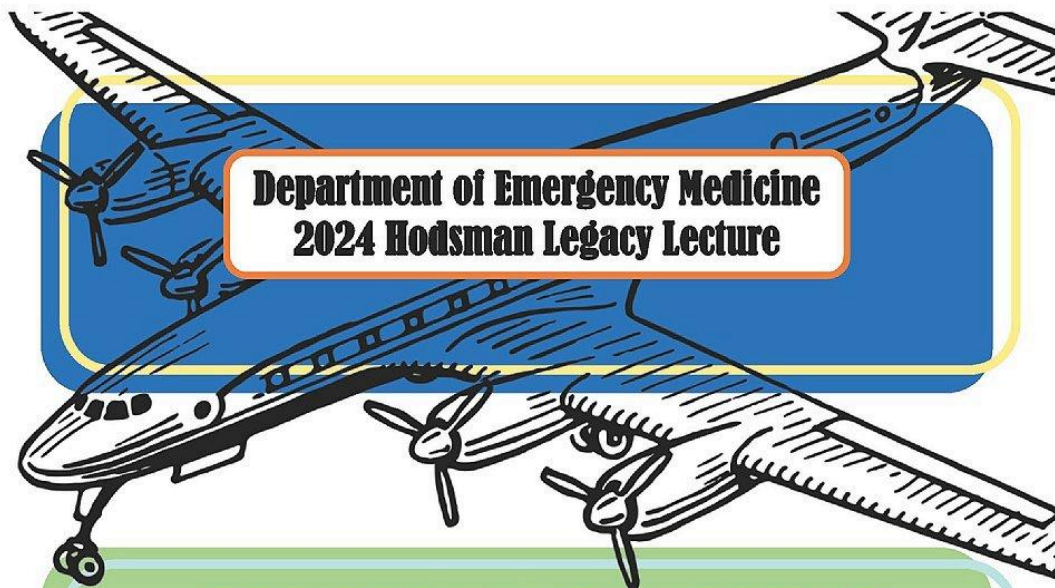
Hodsman Legacy Lecture 2024

When: April 11, 2024 08:30–12:30

The University of Calgary's Department of Emergency Medicine is hosting the Hodsman Legacy Lecture Series on Thursday, April 11, 2024, from 0830-1230hrs. The event is free and offers both in-person and virtual attendance by registering in advance here:

https://albertahealthservices.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Sca7CJ-CTo6iB6jYewLVKA.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.



**Department of Emergency Medicine
2024 Hodsman Legacy Lecture**

**BUILDING BRIDGES
RECIPROCAL PARTNERSHIPS IN
GLOBAL EMERGENCY MEDICINE**



Keynote Speaker

Dr. Megan Landes
Associate Professor
University of Toronto



Presentations from

Dr. Margriet Greidanus
and
Dr. Andrew Battison



Honoring

Dr. Ian Wishart



TERMINAL:

HSC – Theater 4

DATE:

April 11, 2024

DEPARTURE TIME

8:30am – 12:30PM

REGISTRATION:



Operations

POCUS Corner

Looking for a great local POCUS course to boost your skills? Eager to move beyond the basic four indications? CRUS West is a resuscitation focused POCUS course teaching the fundamental skills of POCUS guided resuscitation with a truly national faculty of multidisciplinary POCUS experts.

Check it out here: <https://www.albertasono.ca/training-education/events/crus-west-2024/>

CRUS West runs Aug 15 & 16 in Edmonton.

Connect Care Update

Hi Everyone!

Here is the Connect Care Update for this week:

1) Stroke Clinic Referrals

Our amazing colleagues at the Stroke Prevention Clinic have been noticing an uptick in the number of patients being referred who have not had the appropriate internal Connect Care ambulatory referral order completed. Similar to the RGH Eye Clinic, even if you speak directly with the stroke fellow on call and they provide you with an appointment time, you **must** still complete the ambulatory referral order with the required information. Failure to do so can lead to inaccurate triage, or worse, lost referrals.

2) RAAPID Consultation Orders

Our equally amazing colleagues at RAAPID have also noticed an increase in some concerns regarding the use of the RAAPID Consult Order in Connect Care recently. Some friendly reminders about this incredibly useful order:

- The RAAPID consult order is intended for **stable** patients only. For acutely unwell patients with time-sensitive conditions (e.g. - acute stroke for thrombolysis, STEMI, ruptured AAA, etc.) RAAPID should be phoned directly by the MRP rather than using the order in CC. The CC consult orders to RAAPID will typically take longer than a direct phone call and should not be considered the most expeditious way to connect with a consultant.
- Please provide your ED information as the contact info in the consult order. Please **do not** provide your pager number; once RAAPID has the consultant on the line they would like to be able to connect us as quickly as possible, and using a pager to contact us rather than phoning the ED directly adds time to the process.
- Please enter your RAAPID consult orders yourself, rather than having residents enter them. The consult chart is built around the physician who enters the order, and if this is a resident RAAPID cannot determine who their attending physician is. This information is important for accurately building the consultation chart and is key to our consultant colleagues being able to bill for their service.

Details on appropriate use of the RAAPID consult order can also be found at the Common ED Workflows document under the ORDERS - RAAPID Consultation section:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/11wPjhRV0wj_1jzAU9k35BFth2sq03lp/edit

As always, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask

Chris

Grand Rounds and Journal Club



Emergency Medicine Journal Club on Thursday, April 18, 2024

Time: 18:00 to 21:00

Topic: Oxygen Saturation Targets for Pediatric Patients

Presenters: Drs. Michelle Fric and Keon Ma

Preceptor: Dr. Mike Pierse

Hosted by: Dr. Shirmee Doshi 22 Aspen Summit CIRCLE SW

ARTICLE 1: Conservative versus liberal oxygenation targets in critically ill children (Oxy-PICU): a UK multicentre, open, parallel group, randomised clinical trial

ARTICLE 2: Effect of Oxygen Desaturations on Subsequent Medical Visits in Infants Discharged From the Emergency Department With Bronchiolitis

Please RSVP to TriSurendra.Malasani@ahs.ca by April 14 , 2024 if attending.

Departmental News

Department Head Selection Committee

Thank you to all who volunteered to potentially sit on the committee for the selection of the next department head. The following ED physicians are on the committee if you would like to discuss what you feel is important in the search for the next department head and priorities for the department in the coming years.

- Huma Ali
- David Fu
- Margriet Greidanus
- Andrew McRae
- Paul Tourigny
- Ian Walker

Watch for a date for presentations from the candidates for the department head role. We are currently working on finding a room and a date.

Dr. Catherine Patocka New Clinical Scientist Effective April 1, 2024

Congratulations to Dr. Catherine Patocka as the successful candidate for the Clinical Scientist position!

Breastfeeding/Pumping Locations

UCalgary Office of Resident Affairs and Physician Wellness

BREASTFEEDING/ PUMPING LOCATIONS



Foothills Medical Centre

Main building, room 142.
Please email carol.urban@ahs.ca for the
door code.

Peter Lougheed Centre

Room 2014
Use AHS ID Card to access this room



Alberta Childrens Hospital

Room B2-400.
Located on the 2nd floor, east of
elevators next to Dr. William Cochrane
Physician's Lounge.



Rockyview General Hospital

Does not have a designated lactation
room at this time.



South Health Campus

Wellness Centre, Main Floor 180005
AHS workers must request card access
through their managers.
Email wellness.shc@ahs.ca for questions.



Please reach out to residentwellness@ucalgary.ca with questions.

Last Updated Feb 2024

Code Orange Simplified

Please see the link below for the Code Orange Checklist as sent in by Dr. Tyler Clarke. This is to supplement his Grand Rounds presentation from March 21, 2024 entitled : **Code Orange Simplified**.

https://media.campaigner.com/media/77/776142/Emergency_Medicine/4_April/Code_Orange_Checklist.pdf?id=7jurghv?f_type=file&f_name=Code_Orange_Checklist.pdf

Teaching Opportunities

Difficult Airway Management Workshop

The next iteration of the Difficult Airway Management Workshop will soon be here on May 9th!

We need attending physician instructors for the day. I would be very thankful if you are able to support the workshop by lending your airway management expertise. For those of you who have not yet taught the workshop, the day runs from 08:30 until ~15:00 at the ATSSL with faculty instructors from various disciplines. We integrate cadaveric models, pig tracheas for front of neck access, and high fidelity airway simulation as part of the workshop. Resident participants are guided by experienced faculty as they rotate in small groups to practice key airway management skills.

As instructors you are compensated PGME hours for teaching and lunch and coffee are provided. Most importantly, it's a fun day to be involved with and a good opportunity to foster linkages with other Departments and trainees. We really do need your support to continue the success of this educational experience. Please help out if you're able.

Kindly notify Stephon Anderson (stephon.anderson@ahs.ca) as soon as possible if you can assist. Thank you in advance, sincerely, Jonathan

Jonathan Gaudet

Job Postings

Transport Physician

On behalf of Dr. Art Tse, we are please to share the following opportunity that will be based in Calgary. Please contact Dr. Tse with any questions you may have regarding the opportunity. The posting will close **May 1, 2024**.

For more details: <https://stars.applytojob.com/apply/m0wbWPiTpc/Transport-Physician>

Location: Calgary Base (Shock Trauma Air Rescue Service)

Term: One-year locum, starting July 1, 2024.

- This contract may be eligible for extension after the locum period. State date may be flexible.

Questions about the role may be submitted to the Base Medical Director Dr. Arthur Tse (atse@stars.ca) and the Associate Base Medical Director Dr. Jennifer Nicol (jnicol@stars.ca) by than April 28, 2024. A consolidated list of all questions and answers will be available to any party, by request. To receive a copy of the consolidated list of questions and answers, please contact atse@stars.ca.

Research Associate, Emergency Medicine

The Department of Emergency Medicine in the Cumming School of Medicine invites applications for a Research Associate. This Full-time Fixed Term position is for approximately one year (based on length of grant funding), with the possibility of extension.

<https://internal.careers.ucalgary.ca/jobs/14176951-research-associate-emergency-medicine>

You can view the posting on the UCalgary Internal Careers Site by searching for Job Opening ID: 31433.

Current close date is scheduled for April 11, 2024.

Research

Research News

Sciatica Clinic at FMC is still operating and they want more patients! They accept referrals from our four ED adult sites and will see acute sciatica patients within 1-2 weeks of referral. They recruit for their own sciatica studies from their clinic, so I do always give the patients a heads up that they may be asked if they wish to participate, but care at the clinic is not dependent on them being a research participant. Dr. Swamy and his team will care for the patient whether they consent to participate in their studies or not.

Please send any feedback/questions/concerns to Stephanie Vandenberg:
stephanie.vandenberg@ucalgary.ca

1. RAPIDH (Must score ≥ 10 to be eligible):
2. Monoradicular leg pain distribution 6 points
3. Positive nerve-root tension sign (Straight Leg Raise positive at $<60^\circ$ or positive femoral nerve stretch test) 4 points
4. Loss of unilateral ankle reflex 4 points
5. Unilateral muscle weakness 3 points
6. Unilateral patient-reported leg pain 3 points

smartphrase you can use in your discharge summaries: .sciaticaclinic

Referral process is clunky at the moment, but will be streamlined once ConnectCare sets it up for us, hopefully by the end of the month (at which time I'll have it added to the Master Referral document). In the meantime, refer patients this way:

ConnectCare Referral (for April 2024 - will change in May/June with the creation of a direct Sciatica Clinic Referral process)

"Ambulatory Referral to Orthopaedic Surgery"

To Department: FMC Ortho Cast Clinic "CGY FMC CAST CL"

To Provider: Swamy, Ganesh

Reason: Back Pain with associated leg pain (1644)

Comments: acute sciatica without symptoms of cauda equina/conus medullaris. For Dr. Swamy's sciatic clinic and consideration of inclusion in sciatica study. Ortho clinic triage admin: Please alert Ish Bains (research nurse) (403-944-4334)

RAFF4 study at FMC

RAFF4 is a national multicenter randomized trial comparing the effectiveness of procainamide and vernakalant for chemical cardioversion for symptomatic atrial fibrillation.

We've enrolled six patients so far, with a goal of enrolling 30 by the end of 2024. By all reports, the study treatments and processes have gone smoothly. Thanks to Dr. Marc Francis for his help enrolling the most recent patient.

Kudos Corner Research

Evaluating Microdosing in the Emergency Department (EMED) is a prospective trial evaluating standard vs microdose take-home buprenorphine-naloxone induction regimes for treatment of opiate use disorder.

Thank you to Drs. Arthur Tse and Alicia Briggs and on their support enrolling the most recent EMED patient! As of April 8th, 2024, we have a total of 269 enrollments. There are 15 enrollments in AB and 254 enrollments in BC.

Emergency Medicine Research Day 2024:

May 2, 2024 in Theatre 4, Health Sciences Centre and Zoom option available

- 0800 Breakfast, program 0830-1230.

Please email Jill Vandenbrand to register: jill.vandenbrand@ahs.ca

We are excited to present our Keynote Speaker, Dr. Shelley McLeod, from Toronto's Schwartz/Reisman Emergency Institute (SREMI): "**From Idea to Impact: Navigating the Path to Success in Emergency Medicine Research**"

Come check out our exciting research projects, support our residents and collaborators, and hear about results from projects you may have interacted with in the Department of Emergency Medicine over the past year!

- Breakfast, refreshments and snacks will be provided.



Dr. Shelley McLeod, PhD, MSc, MSc, BSc (hons)

Bio: Dr. Shelley McLeod is a Clinical Epidemiologist and the Research Director of the Schwartz/Reisman Emergency Medicine Institute (SREMI) at Sinai Health, and an Associate Professor in the Department of Family and Community Medicine and the Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation at the University of Toronto. She has over 20 years of experience working in emergency medicine research with expertise in clinical research methodology and biostatistics and has published more than 130 papers in a varied array of emergency medicine topics. Her main academic interests include emergency department triage and flow, evidence synthesis including network meta-analysis, trial design, and program evaluation. In the last five years, she collaborated with researchers from across Canada to secure 30 grants totaling more than \$13 million dollars in peer-reviewed funding.

CME Learning



**PSYCHIATRIC QUARTERLY
UPDATES**

**TRANSGENDER MENTAL
HEALTH**

IMPROVING GENDER-AFFIRMING CARE IN ALBERTA

APRIL 26, 2024

12:40 - 16:30 MST

Please click on the link below for more information about how to register for the Psychiatric Quarterly Update Transgender Mental Health course. Costs and further details in the links below.

[https://media.campaigner.com/media/77/776142/Emergency Medicine/4_April/PQU Transgender Mental Health Brochure with QR.pdf?id=l49s8yp?f_type=file&f_name=PQU Transgender Mental Health Brochure with QR.pdf](https://media.campaigner.com/media/77/776142/Emergency%20Medicine/4_April/PQU%20Transgender%20Mental%20Health%20Brochure%20with%20QR.pdf?id=l49s8yp?f_type=file&f_name=PQU%20Transgender%20Mental%20Health%20Brochure%20with%20QR.pdf)

<https://events.ucalgary.ca/cumming/departments/psychiatry/event/453302-psychiatric-quarterly-updates-transgender-mental>

Other Opportunities

Department Of EM Charity Spin Ride Saturday, June 1st @ 2pm

Taught by Huma Ali



Colleagues! I've become a certified spin instructor and now teach at Mode Fitness in Mahogany.

We're doing a **charity** ride, just for us Calgary Emergency Physicians (+ partners welcome). It's a 15\$ donation and 100% of the proceeds will go to the incredible DOAP (Downtown Outreach Addiction Partnership) team. It'll be a nice opportunity to get together!

Spin is a beginner-friendly, super fun way to listen to great music, enjoy some cool light effects all while working up a sweat on a stationary bike! If you haven't done it before, this would be a great class to try. This studio has tons of free parking and beautiful change rooms. Mode will provide you with sweat towels, spin shoes and we'll set you up on your bikes! Just bring your own water bottle :) We only have 34 bikes! Reserve your spot ASAP by emailing me at huma.ali@ahs.ca Please feel free to contact me with any questions. I would love to answer them for you!

Location: Mode Fitness <https://maps.app.goo.gl/Y88SPgYwHF9DNbVW6>

Looking forward to partying with you on the spin bike for a good cause.

UCalgary Giving Day launches April 4, 2024

We are reaching out to ask for your support of the Calgary-Mbarara Emergency Medicine (CMEM) collaboration. Although going to Uganda or teaching in Calgary may not be feasible, an alternative way you can support this partnership is through a charitable donation. This project supports the development of emergency medicine in Uganda by supporting the residents at the Mbarara University of Science and Technology (MUST). The specialty is still in the infancy stages, with less than twenty EM trained physicians in the country. Donating to this collaboration helps train EM doctors in Uganda and shape the future of EM in East Africa.

A focus of this collaboration is bringing MUST EM residents to Calgary for elective rotations. Currently, we are in the process of bringing another cohort for a two month elective starting in May: Drs. Balu Mabiala, Jacob Busingye, and Sarah Oworinawe. They are keen residents hoping to learn and experience what Calgary offers. This is a life-changing opportunity for these trainees, and without the support of our department and faculty like you it would be impossible.

Although we have some funding through the McLaughlin Traveling Medical Education Fund, we are still in need of financial support.

April 4, 2024 is the "earlybird" launch of UCalgary Giving Day, and donations will be matched dollar for dollar, up to \$2,500 per gift, until funds run out. Therefore, donations made soon after the launch April 4 have a higher chance of being matched. A tax receipt will be provided to you by the university.

Donations can be made directly to the CMEM collaboration at <https://engage.ucalgary.ca/give?id=8dc11145-7d3e-455d-b142-0deb4675d339>

We are also recruiting preceptors for the MUST residents this May and June. If you're interested in being added to the volunteer preceptor list please email me at awbattison@gmail.com.

Thank you!

Newsletter Process

Submissions can be sent to: natalie.sun@ahs.ca. CC Jordan Detillieux. Jordan-Rose.Detillieux@ahs.ca.

For reoccurring submissions, there is a **max three week run**. If you would like to re-run your submission, please submit with updates.

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