



Department of Emergency Medicine

Weekly **email**

Updates for ED Physicians

April 23, 2024 Edition

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Updated Newsletter Process

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

Operations

ED Department Head Presentations *NOTE CHANGES BELOW

There will be three candidates interviewed for the position of Department Head for Emergency Medicine. These individuals will present their vision for the Department after Grand Rounds from 10:00-11:00 in Room G382/G384 (HSC) on **May 9, 23 and 30**. See below for specific details.

The three candidates for the Department of Emergency Medicine Department Head position will be presenting on the following dates:

Dr. James Andruchow

Talk entitled: *Emergency Medicine in a Changing World*

May 9, 2024 at 10:00 am, Room G382 Health Sciences Centre

To attend remotely, join via Zoom:

<https://ucalgary.zoom.us/j/96713665956?pwd=b3E3QjJ5VGtiYkEzZ01OU1IMYkt0QT09&from=addon>

Meeting ID: 967 1366 5956

Passcode: 278835

Dr. Catherine Patocka

Talk entitled: *Against the Current: Charting a New Course for Calgary Emergency Medicine*

May 23, 2024 at 10:30 am, Room G382 Health Sciences Centre

To attend remotely, join via Zoom:

<https://ucalgary.zoom.us/j/98095628218?pwd=aGphVkduWVd6STZ1VDdCUjhSU29iUT09&from=addon>

Meeting ID: 980 9562 8218

Passcode: 141958

Dr. Michael Betzner

Talk entitled: *Emergency Medicine – The Future is Ours to Forge*

May 30, 2024 at 10:00 am, Room G384 Health Sciences Centre

To attend remotely, join via Zoom:

<https://ucalgary.zoom.us/j/91806138442?pwd=ZVpWRUtkSW82S0J2b2tldldtdXY0Zz09&from=addon>

Meeting ID: 918 0613 8442

Passcode: 692345

All are welcome to come and listen.

Map Link: <https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/sites/default/files/teams/17/Ground%20Floor.pdf>

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

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 (eg - 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

3) Carewest / IT Bed Transfers

On May 4, all Carewest sites, including our zonal Immediate Transition (IT) facilities will be going live on Connect Care as part of Launch 8. This will alter the workflow for Interfacility Transfers (IFT) to these sites and introduce some new steps that may be unfamiliar to some of you. **Connect Care teams, pharmacy, transition services, Carewest and ED leadership have been hard at work ensuring** the various allied health providers within the ED will support this new workflow, ensuring roles and workflow are clearly-defined and as minimally intrusive into our clinical work as possible. As we near launch day, stay tuned to this space for updates to Connect Care, tipsheets, and other support materials that will be providing more specific details about the steps within these workflows. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

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

Chris

Grand Rounds and Journal Club

PEM City Wide Rounds Thursday April 25, 2024 (0900—1000)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://ucalgary.zoom.us/j/98771528027?pwd=WkNQbmE5NGw0ZnZVSTIDR2taaHNOZz09>

Meeting ID: 987 7152 8027

Passcode: 293344

Speaker: Dr. Jennifer Graham Wedel

Title: Anti-racist Emergency Medicine: spotting the gaps and working towards equitable care in our department

Learning Objectives:

- Increase familiarity with updated concepts of racism and anti-racism including critical race theory and how it applies to Emergency Medicine
- Increase awareness of recent local literature as it pertains to racism in health care and determinants of health for racialized people
- Present the findings of our local qualitative study exploring staff experiences of racism at Alberta Children's Hospital
- Provide a list of workshops/resources in case you are feeling inspired to explore your own biases or learn more

Link to Feedback Survey: https://survey.ucalgary.ca/jfe/form/SV_081HTapx6TJDDca

Departmental News

Kudos Corner

Congratulations to Dr. David Lendrum as a recipient of the 2023 FMC MSA Award Established Physician! We are proud to have such an amazing and inspiring team member with the Emergency Medicine department.

Congratulations to Dr. Catherine Patocka for her recent publication: A paradigm shift: from overcoming to dismantling equity barriers in EM. Read it here: <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/38598074/>

2024 ED Staff Sim Sign Up

Staff simulation dates are still available!
Please check your availability and sign up with the sign-up genius link below.

Jan - June 2024 Sign Up:

EM Physician Participants: 2024 ED Staff Simulation (Jan - June)
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0844AAAD22A5F8C25-46179322-2024#/>

Jan-June 2024 Facilitators Sign Up:

EM Physician Facilitators: 2024 ED Staff Simulation (Jan - June) - Facilitators
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0844AAAD22A5F8C25-46179675-2024#/>

R5 Graduation Gifts

We are getting ready to celebrate the upcoming graduation of our R5's: Jason Elzinga, Cara McCulloch, Natasha Goumeniouk and Cody Dunne. To send them off in style, we would love to continue the tradition of graduation gifts. If they have ever brightened your day, kept you sharp on shift, lifted your overnight morale or stolen your procedures, please consider donating to their send-off.

We will collect the funds and purchase the gifts, to be distributed at the grad BBQ in June. As always your support is much appreciated. Please reach out with any questions.

E-transfers can be directed to: meaghan.mackenzie2@ucalgary.ca

Thanks! Meg, Sean, Zoe and Dana (the R6's)



New Arrival!

Wesley James Hunter was born on April 3, 2024, and is a happy, healthy and sweet little man! Congratulations to proud parents Meg and Miles:)

LET THE ADVENTURE BEGIN

You are invited to a Retirement Celebration to honor Alexis Mageau

Date: May 30th @ 1630 hrs.

Location: The Banquet (University District) - 3953 University Ave NW #220

RSVP to Carol.Urban@ahs.ca



With a career spanning five decades, Alexis has dedicated her professional life to providing care in a number of roles including:

1988 PLC Emergent Care Unit, Nurse Clinician

1988 – 1996 Calgary General, Bow Valley Center, Emergency: Clinical Nurse Educator

1996 – 2006 Foothills Emergency, Clinical Nurse Educator

2006 – 2024 Calgary Emergency Medicine, Clinical Nurse Specialist

1989 – 2023 STARS Flight Nurse

Please join us to celebrate Alexis and the differences she has made, and help launch her next great steps.

Teaching Opportunities

Staff Examiners Required FOR CCFP-EM ORAL EXAMS : 2024
Thursday's June 13th , 2024 – In Person

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

- June 13th 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 **June 13, 2024** please send the responses to TriSurendra.Malasani@ahs.ca

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

FRCPC Oral Exam Prep

We are still looking for staff preceptors for the Royal College oral exam prep sessions for our fourth year residents. We have five sessions to fill from April 23–May 28 (alternating 0900–1100 + 1800–2000 sessions). Four of the five sessions will be held virtually. As a reminder, Chase Krook has an exam bank

with questions that he can provide you with, as needed. Please sign up on the google link below and Brittany Sunderani will reach out to you before the session with more details.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1IYAljhprFa42h_qNKjmT8C4pCc4OIkqLnCUgUR2z8uM/edit#gid=0

Job Postings

CSART Recruitment Opportunity

CSART is hoping to recruit at least four new female MDs due to increasing demand for our work, and to cover on-going maternity leaves of absence!

This work is well suited to women in Emergency Medicine who have an interest in how trauma affects health, offering hope and healing without constraints of time we deal with in the ED and making a difference in the lives of survivors of sexual violence. Learning techniques for trauma informed interviewing and examination is invaluable to our work with regular ED patients. You will work with a multi-disciplinary team which includes nursing, social work, child abuse, police and crown prosecutors. Being part of a criminal investigation can be exhilarating and challenging, and peer support is available at any time.

Hours are flexible, as we are a 24/7 on call service. You can choose how many or how few hours at a time you can offer, however we do expect that you understand that nights and weekends should be shared equally amongst your team members (currently 15 of us, hoping to get to 20+)! There are Emergency Department considerations given to hiring physicians who are working with CSART, and considerations for FTE reduction requests, because our work helps to off-load these time-consuming patients from ED flow.

Most of our team finds this work very fulfilling and impactful.

We will be offering at least one four hour multidisciplinary training session in May, followed by Sim sessions with our newest team member 'Stiffanie' who is transgendered and helps us all learn the best way to preserve and collect evidence from all ages and genders. Those who train and are interested will work with Stiffanie and shadow cases to become independent!

Our team sees on average 425 patients per year all ages and genders. Remuneration is on call pay plus fee for service which is excellent particularly where there are time modifiers and cases.

Please consider joining us in May for initial training! Please call Pauline Head if you have questions, (403-815-3944) or speak with any of the ED MD on our team: Johanne Gastonguay, Verlyn Leopatra, Marta Broniewska, Colleen Carey, Ayesha Khory, Kelsey MacLeod, Hannah Park, or Kelli Sherlock.

UME New Leadership Opportunities

If you are interested in Medical Education, leading change and teaching in the MD Program, posted are some interesting and challenging positions.

Postings and job profiles are located:

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

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

Thank you to all who have contributed in leadership and teaching this past year in the MD Program.

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

Research PechaKucha Evening

Research PechaKucha Evening will be hosted at:

The Banquet Bar – University District.
3957 University Ave NW, Calgary, AB T3B 6K3
May 1, 2024
6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Please **RSVP no later than April 23, 2024** to jill.vandenbrand@ahs.ca
This is an informal meeting of the minds to discuss your research projects and ideas and be social.

All are welcome to come meet and present their ideas.

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

CSART News and Education Opportunities

Non-Fatal Strangulation webinar

We are seeing increasing numbers of strangulation assaults, and young people who consider 'choking' something normal. The Alberta Strangulation panel is a multidisciplinary group that aims to educate everyone about this. The 3 hour, free, virtual training on May 9th is being offered only to professionals (health and police primarily). Please consider registering if you are available! Here is the link:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/strangulation-intervention-panel-tickets-868711969887?aff=oddtcreator>

Alberta Sexual Assault Course and Conference

June 8th 2024. Virtual conference offered by the University of Calgary

<https://events.ucalgary.ca/cumming/cme-pd/event/464840-alberta-sexual-assault-course-and-conference>

Child Exploitation conference: Transforming Practices Breaking silence Building safety

The Red Deer Child Advocacy Center is offering a 2 day conference on Child Exploitation, and a 1 day training from May 28-30. Those interested can find info and register :

<https://www.eventcombo.com/e/Transforming-Practices-Breaking-Silence-Building-Safety-69702>

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN for The Alberta SimPosium 2024!

\$150 Registration gives full access to The Alberta SimPosium 2024!

The Alberta SimPosium will be held on **October 8 & 9, 2024** in Calgary and is available to both in-person and virtual audiences.

- In-person guests will enjoy complimentary refreshments & light lunch.
- The livestream will be available on The Alberta SimPosium website & app via access code (provided upon registration).
- All registrants (in-person & virtual) will receive recordings of the live-streamed content following the conclusion of the conference.

Please consider submitting an abstract to present here: Alberta SimPosium 2024 Abstract Submission
<https://albertahealthservices.jotform.com/app/222096409580256/page/125>

Please click below to register to attend the event:
<https://albertahealthservices.jotform.com/team/esim/the-alberta-simposium-2024>

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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