

# Department of Emergency Medicine

Calgary Zone

weekly email updates for ED Physicians

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## Operations

### ED Department Head Presentation: Dr. Michael Betzner – May 30, 2024

#### **Emergency Medicine – The Future is Ours to Forge**

Thursday May 30, 2024

10:00 am - 11:00am

Room G384 Health Sciences Centre

#### **To attend remotely, join via Zoom:**

<https://ucalgary.zoom.us/j/91806138442?>

[pwd=ZVpWRUtkSW82S0J2b2tLdldtdXY0Zz09&from=addon](https://ucalgary.zoom.us/j/91806138442?pwd=ZVpWRUtkSW82S0J2b2tLdldtdXY0Zz09&from=addon)

Meeting ID: 918 0613 8442 Passcode: 692345

[Feedback Form for Dr. Michael Betzner](#)

## Department of Emergency Medicine Headship Candidate



### **MICHAEL BETZNER, MD, FRCPC**

Staff Emergency Physician, AHS  
Clinical Lecturer, University of Calgary

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

**SPECIAL TALK**  
**Thursday, May 30, 2024**  
**1000 - 1100 HOURS**  
**G384, Health Sciences Centre**

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## ED Department Head Presentation Links:

[Dr. James Andruchow's Presentation](#)

[Dr. Catherine Patocka's Presentation](#)

Dr. Michael Betzner's link will be added to next week's newsletter.

A reminder to send in the feedback forms to Belinda Ibrahim [ibrahim@ucalgary.ca](mailto:ibrahim@ucalgary.ca).

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## Connect Care Message

### 1) Useful Documents

Struggling to find a referral pathway? Can't remember how to work your way through the latest Connect Care workflow? Look no further than our 'living' Calgary Zone Google documents. They contain a useful repository of knowledge and are continuously updated where appropriate. They can also be linked to your 'My CMIO' tab (see the Common Workflows Document on how to do this).

[Referral pathways document](#)

[Common workflows document](#)

Naturally, if you see anything in the documents that you have questions about, or should be updated please let me know!

### 2) Connect Care Optimization

Are you looking for ways to enhance your Connect Care skills? The CMIO training team offers optimization classes designed to improve your efficiency with common

workflows. [Details can be found at this link](#) If you are interested in seeing specific topics on the list of training sessions, please let me know; we can approach the CMIO team to look at building EM-relevant content into the optimization training curriculum.

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## Grand Rounds and Journal Club

Grand Rounds Thursday May 30, 2024 (0900—1000) (1.0 Education Credits)

**Room: NONE ZOOM ONLY**

**Zoom Link:** <https://albertahealthservices.zoom.us/j/61834756597?pwd=SkglZmdXOGdRWmgxMUc0U3lNMjR5Zz09>

**Meeting ID:** 618 3475 6597 **Passcode:** 407952

**Speaker:** Dr. Jamie McLellan

**Title:** “Clot Wars, A New Hope”. Lower extremity DVT, a modern approach.

**Description:** The scope of lower extremity DVT and the problem of Post-Thrombotic Syndrome (PTS). Timely and effective DVT treatments that can reduce the complications and development of PTS.

[Academic Grand Rounds Evaluation Link](#)

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

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\*Grand Rounds Cancelled for June 6, 2024.  
Please make a note in your calendar.

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## Clinical Pharmacology & Toxicology Pearl of the Week

This week's topic: [Drug-Induced Hyperthermia – Acute Treatment](#)

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## Department News

### eSIM Annual Report

An overview of simulation activity across the province, including zonal and site summaries while also highlighting some of the incredible opportunity's simulation provided frontline staff in their pursuit of professional development, process improvement, and safer patient care.

[eSIM Annual Report 2023](#)

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## Kudos Corner Publications

Congratulations to Dr. Joe Vipond on his latest published article: ***Masks and respirators for prevention of respiratory infections: a state of the science review***

<https://journals.asm.org/doi/10.1128/cmr.00124-23>

Greenhalgh T, MacIntyre CR, Baker MG, Bhattacharjee S, Chughtai AA, Fisman D, Kunasekaran M, Kvalsvig A, Lupton D, Oliver M, Tawfiq E, Ungrin M, Vipond J.O. Masks and respirators for prevention of respiratory infections: a state of the science review. Clin Microbiol Rev 0:e00124-23. <https://doi.org/10.1128/cmr.00124-23>

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## Kudos Corner Awards and Promotions

**Congratulations** to our colleague Ian Blanchard on his prestigious award of Paramedic of the Year from the Paramedic Association of Canada. [Read the CTV news article here](#). We are proud of you and it is a pleasure to work with you.

**Congratulations** to Dr. Margriet Greidanus for being the recipient of the Guenter Award for International Health Award from the Cumming School of Medicine.

**Congratulations** to Dr. Michael Betzner for being the recipient of the Long Term Education Contributions Award from the Cumming School of Medicine.

### Academic Promotions

**Congratulations** to Dr. Jennifer Thull-Freedman (Pediatric EM) who has been promoted to Full Clinical Professor.

**Congratulations** to the successful applications for promotion to Clinical Associate Professor

- Dr. Colin Bell
- Dr. Conor McKaigney
- Dr. Gord McNeil
- Dr. Katie Lin

Congratulations to the successful applications for promotion to Clinical Assistant Professor

- Dr. Elieen Kabaroff
  - Dr. Fayaz Harji
  - Dr. Lorissa Mews
  - Dr. Branden Teitge
  - Dr. Nancy Zuzic
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## New Emergency Medicine Deputy Head of Education

**Congratulations** to Dr. Brittany Sunderani on her new role.

Dr. Brit Sunderani was born and raised in Calgary, where she pursued her passion for medicine from an early age. She completed her medical school at the University of Calgary, followed by her residency in Emergency Medicine with the University of British Columbia at Vancouver General Hospital. To further specialize, Dr. Sunderani undertook a Pediatric Emergency Medicine Fellowship at Alberta Children's Hospital.

After completing her training, Dr. Sunderani returned to Calgary and currently enjoys her practice at the Peter Lougheed Centre, Foothills Medical Centre, and Alberta Children's Hospital. In addition to her clinical duties, Dr. Sunderani has been actively involved in the education of medical students and residents. She is excited to embark on a new educational role, collaborating with colleagues across the city to build on the exceptional foundation laid by Dr. Fareen Zaver in her new role as Deputy Head of Education.



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## Group Emergency Medicine Sessions aka GEMS 2024/2025

The sign up is now open for the coming year for the Group Emergency Medicine Sessions (GEMS). These are small group, staff only sessions on a variety of topics relevant to our practice that occur throughout the year. Please sign up for a group on the google doc that works best for your schedule. You may move between sessions, as needed based on your schedule, throughout the year. Note: These sessions are funded by the PSF. If you are not a contributing PSF member, you will be required to pay a fee to attend.

[GEMS sign up sheet](#)

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## 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 three staff examiners for the oral exams for:

- **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.Malasanani@ahs.ca](mailto:TriSurendra.Malasanani@ahs.ca)

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

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## Academic Day Preceptor Opportunities

We are now recruiting staff preceptors for the 2024-2025 Emergency Medicine academic teaching sessions.

All resident led sessions needing staff preceptors from July 1st to Dec 31st can be found in the link below. If you are interested in being a preceptor for one or more sessions, or have any questions, please email Kelsey ([kelsey.ragan@ucalgary.ca](mailto:kelsey.ragan@ucalgary.ca)).

## [Academic Day Preceptor Opportunities](#)

This list will be kept as up to date as possible. All sessions are remunerated at the standard PGME rate.

Thanks in advance for everyone's ongoing support of the EM Residency program.

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# Research

## Two Question Physician Survey

We are looking for physician input as to the most efficient, clinician-preferred approach to collect data for some upcoming observational studies.

We invite physicians to answer this 2-question survey. Respondents will be entered for a draw for a gift card.

[https://qualtricsxmyf7lwk29d.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_87DGEkFMNlxHu6y](https://qualtricsxmyf7lwk29d.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_87DGEkFMNlxHu6y)

Any questions can be addressed to Andrew McRae ([amcrae@ucalgary.ca](mailto:amcrae@ucalgary.ca))

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## Thank You

A big thank you to all who have supported recruitment for CanTreat COVID at SHC, and recruitment will be wrapping up this week.

We have recruited eight participants for RAFF 4 and three participants for EMED at FMC, and one participant for EMED at SHC. Our team continues recruiting and we thank everyone for their support, interest, referrals and feedback.

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# CME Learning and Conferences

## REGISTRATION IS OPEN for The Alberta SimPosium 2024

Please [click here to register](#) to attend the Alberta SimPosium 2024.

- [Submit an abstract](#) to present
- Abstract submission deadline: **May 31st**
- \$150 Registration gives full access to The Alberta SimPosium 2024
- Held on **October 8 & 9, 2024** in Calgary at the Peter Lougheed Centre
- Available to both in-person and virtual audiences

For more information visit:

<https://albertahealthservices.jotform.com/app/222096409580256>



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## Pain Speak: Empowering Your Voice Webinar

A webinar focused on how to effectively communicate with your healthcare providers, loved ones, and employer.

**When:** June 5th - 12:00 – 1:00pm MST

[Register here](#)

Brought to you by Alberta Virtual Chronic Pain Program Clinicians in Collaboration with Power over Pain



## Pain Speak: Empowering Your Voice

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### Other Opportunities

#### Request for Assistance - Inpatient Coverage (July)

The Department of Rural Medicine is requesting assistance in providing coverage at High River General Hospital for the following shifts:

##### **Inpatient Coverage**



- 24 hour shifts 1700-1700
- July 12-19
- July 26 – August 1

No need to be onsite after hours, but callbacks to the ward are included. Acute resuscitation after hours is provided by the ER physician. Admissions 2200 to 0800 will have orders entered by the ER physician and can be seen the next morning.

If you can cover any portion of the inpatient shifts, please contact Dr. Chris Warner, Section Chief, High River [christopher.warner@ahs.ca](mailto:christopher.warner@ahs.ca)

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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).

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**

## In Case You Missed Last Week

### Revised EM Research Webpages

Check out the updated EM Research webpages on the EM CME website which contains info on how to engage with the research team, access research day video links, and much more.

<https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/departments/emergency-medicine/research-0>

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### Advanced Burn Life Support (ABLS) Course Opportunity

Our local Plastic Surgery group has offered the opportunity to participate in their upcoming ABLS Course June 10th. The cost is \$225 per person. This course has been developed by the American Burn Association to help disseminate best practices for patients with burn related injuries and develop a standard approach similar to ATLS. Completion will result in a certification that is valid for a period of four years. More information can be found here: <https://ameriburn.org/education/advanced-burn-life-support-abls/>.

[Please see attached poster for additional details and registration information.](#)

Questions can be directed to Lindsay Burnett ([lindsay.burnett@ahs.ca](mailto:lindsay.burnett@ahs.ca)).

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# Canadian Association of Emergency Physicians (CAEP)

We will be holding a Calgary CAEP get together:

**When: Monday June 10, 2024**

**Time: 5:30 pm**

**Location: 608 Spadina Crescent E, Saskatoon, SK S7K 3H1, Canada**

At Cathedral Social House, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan Restaurant | Home | Cathedral Social Hall

Please RSVP to [jill.vandenbrand@ahs.ca](mailto:jill.vandenbrand@ahs.ca) if you would like to attend.

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## Staff Recommendations for Financial Services

Graduating residents are going through what we went through when we first started – looking for recommendations for accountants, lawyers, etc. I have created a simple Google Sheet with open access for folks to share their recommendations openly, disclosing whatever you feel comfortable with, to share with our learners as well as each other. Please feel free to drop your recommendations into the Google Sheet. You can do so anonymously if you wish. You may also choose to disclose helpful information such as what it costs to do your taxes, annual PC return, etc. Thank you in advance.

[Staff Recommendations for Financial Services Google Doc](#)

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## Central Venous Access Workshop – Preceptors Needed

Recruiting preceptors for the annual central venous access workshop.

- **Thursday September 19th 1-5 PM**
- Remunerated at PGME rate

Join us for a fun afternoon of procedural skills. Please email Patty Lee-Nobbee at [patriciazlee@gmail.com](mailto:patriciazlee@gmail.com) if interested and available.

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## Sharing information on reporting to law enforcement

Dr. Margriet Greidanus has developed an invaluable resource for physicians reporting assaults to Calgary Police Services.

If a patient has assaulted you and you would like to report it to law enforcement, this information is for you. Step by step instructions on what you need to do and the patient information you need report is in this document below:

[Reporting To CPS for Physicians](#)

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