

Calgary Zone Department of Emergency Medicine

Grand Rounds Q&A - June 4, 2020

I know we do not have recent data, but is there evidence that recent economic downturn in Alberta combined with COVID pandemic is creating significant decrease in housing and income security and resulting increase in homelessness? And not that our current government would listen, but cost benefit of maintaining/increasing social supports preventing homelessness versus costs of homelessness.

The DI Respite Care program sounds amazing! Thank you for all the hard work that goes into these projects.

Re: Drop In Centre HPTP when it gets up and running again - should we be discussing with ID on call to coordinate DI center HPTP follow-up? Or just submitting our regular HPTP follow-up and then ID will sort it out after the first visit?

Are these services (for DI HPTP etc.) available for those with out of province healthcare or NO healthcare... I have had significant problems trying to use the system for these patients and the HPTP form specifically states they must have Alberta healthcare

Is RAAM different than the outpatient counselling program at the Chumir?

Overdose presentations fell by 40% - 50% in Calgary and province-wide in April, back to average rates in May and June (so far) for Calgary but well above average rates in other Alberta Zones.

RAMM referral info on sharepoint? Thanks

Thank you Monty, this is amazing work. Is it possible to get a copy of your presentation?

Great presentation Monty. If time, can you plug some online resources that ED Physicians can get more training in Addiction Medicine?

Thank you so much for that presentation! Sorry if I missed this - is there a number we can give patients for the virtual supervised consumption service or is it not rolled out yet? Amazing initiative.

<https://www.bccsu.ca/about-the-addiction-care-and-treatment-online-certificate/>

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How are RAAM and ARCH related? If we utilize ARCH from the PLC can they help connect patients to RAAM? Or are there patients who are better served by either service? (sorry if this was mentioned and I missed it!)

Chase, The ARCH program is only inpatient but partners with RAAM and will help patients transition