

Meet Ms. Emi Sanders

Ms. Emi Sanders is a research coordinator working in Ophthalmology at the Alberta Children's Hospital. Born and raised in Calgary, she attended the University of Calgary to get her Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology and Mind Sciences. She also completed a year of study abroad in Sydney, Australia where she earned her International Study Diploma.

Upon competition of her Bachelor's program Emi joined the Alberta Tomorrow Project, a long-term research study looking at the connection between lifestyle and cancer in Albertans. After being with the Tomorrow Project for 2 years, Emi took on a new challenge with the Alberta Cancer Board working with the Colorectal Cancer Screening Group. She then joined the University of Calgary Spine Program before finding her home with Ophthalmology. There she enjoys working with a great team, and has the opportunity to work with a number of PI's with broad research interests.

Since joining the research world she has taken a number of courses on data management and database support. Her knowledge in this area lead her to connect with the Surgical Research Coordinators Interest Group (SRCIG), initiated by Dr. Elizabeth Oddone-Paolucci in 2008, within the Department of Surgery. This group is comprised of researchers and coordinators working in all different divisions to share information, experiences, and challenges related to conducting successful research. In 2017 the SRCIG joined together with the Department of Pediatrics and with the Health Services and Population Health Research team to put on the Health Research Platform Strategy Lunch & Learn series. The group hosts a monthly guest speaker with a focus on health research. This larger group allows coordinators to continue to build connections and foster growth in the research community.

When away from the office Emi enjoys spending time with her family, maintaining an active lifestyle by running and practicing hot yoga, and is involved in her local gymnastics studio.

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SAVE THE DATE

36th Annual Surgeons' Day June 15, 2018

External Grants: PIVOT Website

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Next Health Research Platform Strategy Session: Monday October 16, 12pm

"Through The Looking Glass: An Introduction to the Quality Assurance Program"

Speaker: Linda Longpré, Quality Assurance and Regulatory Compliance Specialist, Research Services, University of Calgary

Session Objectives:

At the end of the presentation, participants should have:

- · A better understanding of the Quality Assurance Program; and
 - An overview of the services provided

Locations: Foothills Auditorium (host site) & Alberta Children's Hospital Amphitheatre/Auditorium (video conference)

RSVP required: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/health-research-platform-strategy-lunch-learn-october-2017-tickets-38049210212

Get Funded!

Check out the following innovation, entrepreneurship, and enhancement related initiatives that are coming up through the UofC:

TENET i2c (Innovation to Commercialization)

UCalgary researchers, clinicians, postdocs, grad students and staff are invited to apply for a chance to win up to \$100K to turn their health research into a commercial product. Applications are accepted until **October 30, 2017**.

For more information go to: www.<u>cumming.ucalgary.ca/teneti2c</u> If you have any questions please contact <u>i2c@ucalgary.ca</u>



Innovation for Health (i4h)

This trainee led initiative is a culmination of events leading to a health hack competition. Challenges are identified by current medical professionals working in human and veterinarian medicine around the theme of surgery and recovery. These challenges are subsequently worked on by anyone who has a desire for innovation and change. There will be \$20,000 in awards for teams with the best ideas.

For more information go to: https://www.innovation4health.com/

If you have any questions please contact: innovation4health.com

Deadline: October 13, 2017



Cumming School of Medicine Research Enhancement Program

The Office of the Associate Dean Research will provide up to \$5,000 / year for Principal Investigators (PI) or lab members to obtain training in new techniques and methodologies that will enhance their research endeavors. The aim is to keep our range of technical expertise at a world class level to increase the impact of published work and future grant applications. Proposals will be considered to support acquisition of technical advances to improve an identified future grant application or to rapidly respond to acquiring experiments requested by reviewers of manuscripts currently under review for potential publication in a high impact journal (Impact Factor ≥ 8).

For more information go to: https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/research enhancement If you have any questions please contact: j.slobozian@ucalgary.ca

Upcoming Education Event:

BRA Day October 18, 2017 17:00-20:45

BRA Day is a FREE, once-a-year event that brings leading breast reconstruction experts together to answer all your questions. The event is suitable for women curious about or considering breast reconstruction and their friends and family, including males.

The event is free and open to the public (including males) but each attendee MUST register.

For more information please visit: http://www.bra-day.com/#



Ethics and You: What to Know?

Be Consistent! Review your application documents to ensure the application, protocol and consent contain consistent information relating to purpose, number of study visits and sample size.



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