

**PEDIATRICS WEEKLY BULLETIN**

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**ANONYMOUS REPORTING TOOL FOR PHYSICIANS**



*If you are experiencing maltreatment  
or unprofessional behavior at work:*



**ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**Save the Date: February 14 Grand Rounds**

Some of you may be aware of the CPSA's Physician Practice Improvement Program – PPIP. This is a continuing competence, practice driven quality program launched in 2021. Physician participation in this program is mandatory and requires the submission of objective data. We have heard from several Department members who were unaware or uncertain of the requirements of this program.

To that end, we have arranged for a CPSA representative to present to the Department at Pediatric Grand Rounds on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 8:30 am.

- **Presenter: Dr. Danielle Michaels, Senior Medical Advisor, CPSA**
- **Topic: College of Physician and Surgeons of Alberta – Physician Practice Improvement Program**
- **Date: Wednesday, February 14 at 8:30 am (Pediatric Grand Rounds)**

We strongly encourage all physician members of the Department to attend as this program will affect everyone, and we want to make you aware of your reporting obligations. The CPSA has asked that you review the following information – 4 short video links – which describe the basics of the program. Dr. Michaels will add to this information and provide some practical examples/methods of how to meet the new CPSA standards.

The PPIP videos can be accessed using the following links provided by the CPSA (please use Google Chrome):

- [General PPIP Information](#)
- ["The Why"](#)
- ["The What"](#)
- ["The How"](#)



**Reminder: Deadline Extended for Clinical Promotions**

A reminder that we have extended the deadline to submit documentation for clinical promotions. If you are interested in clinical promotion this year, please send your CV and cover letter to [Debbie Velsink](#) by **January 8, 2024**.

Please note if we do not receive your cover letter and CV by this date, we won't be able to make the deadlines set by the University and will have to wait until next year.

**DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS**

**Publication Spotlight**

Congratulations to our Department members on their recent publications below:



Dr. Kamran Yusuf has a recent publication in *Pediatric Research*, an invited commentary on another publication in the journal:

[Nutrition with a patent ductus arteriosus: feast, feed, or famine?](#)

Congratulations!



Dr. Stephen Freedman's team and the Pediatric Emergency Research Canada (PERC) Network have published a new article in *JAMA Network Open*:

[Post-COVID-19 Condition in Children 6 and 12 Months After Infection](#)

Congratulations!

**CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**Pediatric Emergency Medicine Physician**

- FTE: 0.5
- Type: Part-time Practice
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: January 8, 2024

**Pediatric Cardiologist**

- FTE: 1.0
- Type: Full-time Practice
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: April 30, 2024

**Newborn Critical Care Clinical Associate**

- FTE: 1.0 (may be filled by more than one physician)
- Type: Part-time Practice

- Location: Foothills Medical Centre and all other NICU sites
- Application Deadline: Open until a suitable candidate is found

For all postings, visit the Department of Pediatrics [careers page](#)

### UPCOMING ROUNDS

#### Neonatal Grand Rounds

**Tuesday, January 9, 2024 | 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM | Virtual (via Zoom)**

Title: A Cup of Joe To-Go: A review of current caffeine practices and post-discontinuation monitoring

Presenter: Dr. Katherine Yurkiw

→ [CLICK HERE](#) for further details.

\*REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED\*

REGISTER

#### Pediatric Grand Rounds

**Wednesday, January 10, 2024 | 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM | Virtual (via Zoom)**

Title: Turning the resources you have into the resources you need to get the change you want: Revamping the delivery of celiac disease care in Southern Alberta

Presenter: Dr. Iwona Wrobel

→ [CLICK HERE](#) for further details.

\*REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED\*

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### EVENTS

For all events, visit the Department of Pediatrics [calendar](#)  
*All events are in MST (Mountain Standard Time), unless otherwise stated*

#### Special Owerko Centre Neurodevelopmental Clinical & Pediatric Psychopharmacology Rounds: "A critical review of the evidence-base for interventions for ARFID (Avoidant/Restrictive Food Intake Disorder)"

**Wednesday, January 10, 2024 | 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM | Virtual (via Zoom) and In-Person, Child Development Centre, Main Floor Boardroom**

This presentation will entail a critical review of the evidence base for interventions to address Avoidant/Restrictive Food Intake Disorder (ARFID). This will include a review of the limited evidence for psychopharmacological treatment and the more substantial evidence for behaviour strategies.

→ [Click here](#) for further details and to register.

### NEW EVENT

#### Department of Pediatrics Search & Selection Presentation: Neonatologist – FMC Site

**Wednesday, January 10, 2024 | 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM | Virtual (via Zoom)**

Presenter: Dr. Chelsea Morin

Title: Newborns and Beyond: A Novel Approach to CPR

→ [Click here to join the meeting.](#)  
(Meeting ID: 634 6061 0146; Passcode: 154661)

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**NEW EVENT**

**Department of Pediatrics Search & Selection Presentation: Neonatologist – ACH Site**

**Thursday, January 11, 2024 | 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM | Virtual (via Zoom)**

Presenter: Dr. Flora Shan  
Title: Hyponatremia – A sodium level that will blow your mind

→ [Click here to join the meeting.](#)  
(Meeting ID: 678 2764 3290; Passcode: 587716)

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**WCHRI Child Health and Wellness Seminar: "Genomic Psychiatry: Implementing Precision Medicine for Autism and Neurodevelopmental Conditions"**

**Monday, January 15, 2024 | 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM | Virtual (via Zoom)**

How are genomics relevant for autism and neurodevelopmental conditions? What can we do with genetic information to advance precision medicine strategies in psychiatry? This session will highlight the efforts of the Precision Medicine Autism (PRISMA) Group to answer these questions.

→ [Click here for further details and to register.](#)

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**Pediatric Fractures & Dislocation Course**

**Thursday, January 18, 2024 | 7:30 AM – 4:45 PM | In-Person, Banff Park Lodge**

This course is designed for rural practitioners to learn the knowledge and skills necessary in the initial management of pediatric fractures. This course will include short didactic presentations addressing the correct diagnosis of pediatric fractures, and the physiologic differences between pediatric and adult fractures that affect management. Live demonstration with hands-on practice will focus on appropriate casting and splinting methods. Participants will practice on each other, including applying casts and splints.

→ [Click here for further details and to register.](#)

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**Dr. Mamoru ‘Mo’ Watanabe Lectureship - Digital Health Today and Tomorrow**

**Tuesday, January 23, 2024 | 12:30 PM – 4:00 PM | In-Person, Theatre 4, Health Sciences Centre, Foothills Campus**

Hosted by the W21C Research and Innovation Centre, this event honours Dr. Mamoru ‘Mo’ Watanabe, and his contributions in digital health and rural telemedicine, along with his promotion of health equity.

During this event, we will formally introduce and showcase 'Health Everywhere', a new eHealth and mHealth hub created from a \$6.3M Major Innovation Fund award from the Government of Alberta. This will include a panel discussion and Q&A with the six theme leads of the Health Everywhere initiative.

→ [Click here for further details and to register.](#)

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**1st International Summit on Implantable BCI for Children with Complex Needs**

**Monday, February 5, 2024 | 8:00 AM – 1:30 PM | Virtual (via Zoom)**

We are excited to announce the First International Summit on Implantable BCIs for Children with Complex Needs (iBCI-CCN 2024), which aims to outline the roadmap for the development of implantable BCI systems for children and young adults living with complex needs.

The event will take place over two parts, with the first being an open half-day summit with talks and discussion from leaders across the world in spaces that can help set the stage for establishing a pathway forward for implantable BCI systems for children with complex needs. The second part will be a smaller focused workshop on establishing the roadmap for implantable BCIs for children with complex needs.

→ [Click here for further details and to register.](#)

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### 2024 Pediatric Infectious Disease Conference

**Friday, February 9 - Sunday, February 11, 2024 | In-Person, Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel**

This course is designed for Pediatricians, Family Physicians, Residents and Allied Health Professionals. We aim to present recent advances and updates in pediatric infectious diseases in ways that are applicable and relevant to the practicing physician. The sessions are tailored to clinicians encountering infectious diseases in practice and they are engaging and interactive. We strive for a collegial and responsive environment with faculty and participants, and have a remarkable venue to host us and social events you will not want to miss!

The course outline can be seen [here](#) and objectives can be found [here](#).

→ [Click here for further details and to register.](#)

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### 2024 Mindful Practice in Medicine Core Workshop

**Wednesday, February 21 - Saturday, February 24, 2024 | In-Person, Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity**

This workshop was developed by physicians to help medical practitioners and educators respond to the erosion of joy in their work, while providing an experiential and interactive learning environment.

This approach is evidence based - as it lessens the effects of burnout and improves well-being, engagement with work, and patient-centered compassionate care. Please join for a retreat-like workshop designed to energize your clinical work while helping you find joy and resilience, through honing your self-awareness and deep listening skills that are keys to navigating stressful and demanding situations you face daily.

→ [Click here for further details and to register.](#)

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