

PEDIATRICS WEEKLY BULLETIN

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*If you are experiencing maltreatment
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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Country 105 Caring for Kids Radiothon

For 21 years, the Country 105 Caring for Kids Radiothon has been a window into the life-saving, life-changing care that happens every day at the Alberta Children's Hospital.

We are excited to share that thanks to the generosity of donors, sponsors and volunteers, this year's Radiothon raised \$2.21 M! A big thank you to all of our members, colleagues, patients and families who participated and shared their incredible stories!



Call for Nominations! 2024 ACH MSA Awards

The Alberta Children's Hospital Medical Staff Association (ACH MSA) is seeking nominations for their annual awards. Please click the links below for further details on each of these awards:

- [Award of Excellence](#)
- [Spirit of ACH – Catherine Macneil Award](#)

The deadline to submit nominations is **March 6, 2024**.

Grand Rounds Presentation Recording

[Click here](#) to access a recording of this week's Pediatric Grand Rounds on the topic of "College of Physician and Surgeons of Alberta – Physician Practice Improvement Program (PPIP)".

This session was presented by Dr. Danielle



Michaels, Senior Medical Advisor at the College of Physician and Surgeons of Alberta (CPSA).



Seeking OSCE Examiners

The Pediatrics Postgraduate Program is seeking OSCE examiners for the following sessions:

- Thursday, March 14, 2024 (UCalgary Foothills Campus, MedSkills, 12:45pm – 4:30pm)
- Thursday, May 9, 2024 (Zoom, 12:45pm – 5:00pm)
- Thursday, May 23, 2024 (UCalgary Foothills Campus, MedSkills, 12:45pm – 4:30pm)

Please contact Pediatric.ResidencyProgram@ahs.ca if you are able to assist on any of the above dates.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Affirmation of Professional Calling Workshop (for New and Early Career Members!)

Tuesday, February 27, 2024 | 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM | In-Person, Alberta Children's Hospital Conference Rooms 3 & 4, 4th Floor

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Questions? Interested but timing does not work for you? Please email [Dr. Preet Sandhu](#) for more details.

Department of Pediatrics/ACH Medical Staff Association Speaker Series - "Transition to Retirement: Evolving Your Way"

Tuesday, February 27, 2024 | 4:30 PM – 7:30 PM | In-Person, ACH Physicians' Lounge, 2nd Floor

Are you nearing the retirement stage of your career? Are you mid-career but curious to know more about retirement and start planning sooner?

Please join us for this evening conversation with recent retirees Drs. Robin Eccles, Michele Bjornson, Don Bethune and JF Lemay. This will be an opportunity to hear from those who have recently gone through this transition, ask your questions and get some guidance for your own retirement planning.

Dinner will be provided. Please RSVP to [Jessica Todd](#) by **February 20**. For more information, please contact [Dr. Preet Sandhu](#).

DEPT OF PEDIATRICS AND ACH MEDICAL STAFF
ASSOCIATION (MSA) PRESENTS

TRANSITION TO Retirement

Evolving your way

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For more information, please contact amondepreet.sandhu@ahs.ca



Celebrating Black History Month

Every February, people across Canada participate in Black History Month events and festivities that honour the legacy of Black people in Canada and their communities.

Check out the BHM resources in the list below – additional events offered by UCalgary and partners are available [here](#).

The [Black Men in White Coats documentary](#) dissects the systemic barriers preventing Black men from becoming medical doctors and the consequences on society at large. Watch the documentary for free by going to [this website](#).

Check out these additional learning resources about the legacy of Black people in Canada and anti-Black racism in this country:

- Canada Heritage Black History Month [resources](#), including history, noteworthy people, and other educational resources
- The current edition of Healthcare Papers focuses on [Anti-Black Racism in the Canadian Healthcare System](#), available for free during Black History Month and beyond for the UCalgary community
- Turner Consulting Group has a recent report on [Systemic Anti-Black Racism by the Numbers \(Canada vs the US\)](#)
- CTV 's news article on [Five Charts That Show What Systemic Racism Looks Like in Canada](#)

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS



National study seeks to close research gaps for kids with chronic gastrointestinal inflammation

Congratulations to Dr. Jennifer deBruyn, the co-lead on a research project comparing two treatment options for pediatric Crohn's disease.

[Click here](#) to read more.

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

Clinical Geneticist

- FTE: 1.0
- Type: Full-time Position
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: February 21, 2024

Research Assistant, ABC-QI Trial

- Type: Part-time/Fixed Term Position
- Location: Calgary Zone NICUs
- Application Deadline: February 28, 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, February 20, 2024 | 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM | Virtual (via Zoom)

Title: Identification and management of persistent hypoglycemia in the neonatal period: An Endocrinologist perspective

Presenter: Dr. Daniele Pacaud

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

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

REGISTER

Pediatric Grand Rounds

Wednesday, February 21, 2024 | 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM | Virtual (via Zoom)

Title: The Metabolic Evaluation of the Developmentally Delayed Child

Presenter: Dr. Eliza Phillips

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

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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

AbSPORU Patient Engagement February Journal Club

Wednesday, February 21, 2024 | 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM | Virtual (via Zoom)

Please join us for February Journal Club, featuring presenters Anna Rychtera and Veronika Kiryanova (Patient Partners, RePORT Project). The article to be discussed is: "[Patient perceptions of in-hospital laboratory blood testing: A patient-oriented and patient co-designed qualitative study.](#)"

We welcome researchers, students, patients, and the general public. Questions about the event can be directed to [Sadia Ahmed](#). We look forward to seeing many of you there!

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

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.](#)

Following the spark: Actionable strategies to untangle the complexities of neurodevelopmental disorders

Thursday, February 22, 2024 | 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM | Virtual (via Zoom)

This is the first session of a FREE 4-part webinar series over Zoom that will address the topics of autism, neurodevelopmental and rare disorders like fragile X syndrome. Each session will be framed within the context of case-based discussions with particular emphasis on identifying strategies, theoretical knowledge, and actionable recommendations. All registrants will receive links to recorded sessions.

[Click here](#) for further details on the topics and dates of the sessions, and to register.

NEW EVENT

Department of Pediatrics Search & Selection Presentation: Clinician Researcher, Pediatric Hospital Medicine

Monday, February 26, 2024 | 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM | Virtual (via Zoom)

Presenter: Dr. Peter Gill

Title: Advancing the evidence-base for paediatric hospital care through the Canadian Paediatric Inpatient Research Network (PIRN)

Objectives:

- 1. Describe the establishment of Canadian Paediatric Inpatient Research Network (PIRN)
- 2. Outline the pillars of a patient-orientated outcomes research program in paediatric hospital medicine
- 3. Illustrate the exciting opportunities in an emerging clinical research network

→ [Click here to join the meeting.](#)

(Meeting ID: 681 2371 1985; Passcode: 423519)

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NEW EVENT

Owerko Centre Neurodevelopmental Clinical Research Rounds: "Clinical Trials in Neurodevelopmental Conditions: Discussion of gaps and opportunities"

Wednesday, March 6, 2024 | 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM | Virtual (via Zoom) or In-Person, Child Development Centre, Main Floor Boardroom

Evidence for treatments in neurodevelopmental conditions continues to be limited. Without ongoing clinical trials, evidence for effective treatments will continue to limit our ability to provide evidence-based suggestions for families. This will be an

interactive discussion of where there are gaps in evidence and ways to support research that can address those gaps.

→ [Click here to register.](#)

47th American Academy of Pediatrics District 8 Section of Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine Conference

Thursday, June 20 - Sunday, June 23, 2024 | In-Person, Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity

This conference will provide recent advances in the delivery room management of neonates, along with talks on neonatal stroke and HIE, and up-to-date information on the long-term neurodevelopmental outcomes of premature infants. Additionally, the conference will cover nutrition in neonates and explore new developments in the field of nutrition in neonatology to improve the outcomes of our tiniest newborns. This event will offer an opportunity to meet world-renowned speakers in their particular areas and provide a chance to network for future research.

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

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