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*If you are experiencing maltreatment
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ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Strategic Planning Engagement Survey -
Summary Report**

Thank you to those who completed the strategic planning engagement survey!

[Click here](#) to view the summary report.

Over the next 6 weeks, there will be a second opportunity to share your thoughts at your respective section meetings.

The consultant engaged in this process will present the findings and invite discussion about whether or not they resonate with you, and what might be missing from the preliminary engagement. This is an excellent opportunity to highlight both section specific needs and also overarching opportunities for the Department. A summary of the section engagement sessions will be completed and used to inform a leadership strategic planning retreat on May 10.

Thank you again for your ongoing engagement in shaping the future of the Department!



Calgary reps needed for Reach for the TOP

Calgary representatives are needed for Reach for the TOP - a game competing against a UBC team - at the 2024 Canadian Paediatric Society (CPS) Annual Conference, taking place June 6-8 in Vancouver. We are in need of one staff attending CPS who is willing to represent us, as well as three residents.

Please reach out to [Dr. Amelie Stritzke](#) or the [lead residents](#) for questions or interest. Let's get our team together!



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.

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS



Publication Spotlight

Dr. Chris Novak and his team - including Dr. Susan Bannister from Pediatric Hospital Medicine and two pediatric residents, Dr. Rina Patel (first author) and Dr. Erin Degelman - have a new publication in *Cureus*:

[Online Learning in Medical Student Clerkship: A Survey of Student Perceptions and Future Directions](#)

This study surveyed medical students about their experience with online learning in clerkship.

Congratulations team!



Forward-thinking solutions and prevention strategies for diverse medical conditions inspire 3 UCalgary PhD students

Congratulations to Areefa Alladin-Karan, one of three PhD students honoured with the 2023 Vanier Award for conducting health research.

[Click here](#) for an article with further details about her research and how she chose to study at the University of Calgary after meeting pediatric nephrologist Dr. Andrew Wade while he was teaching at the University of Guyana.

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

Click on the following positions for complete posting details.

Educational Lead - kidSONO Pediatric Point of Care Ultrasound Program

- FTE: 0.20
- Type: Part-time Practice
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: March 14, 2024

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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

Chair, Department of Pediatrics, University of Alberta

- Location: Edmonton, Alberta
- Application Deadline: Open until a suitable candidate is found
- If you are interested in learning more contact [Dr. Tom Stelfox](#) (Deputy Dean Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Alberta) for more information

UPCOMING ROUNDS

Neonatal Grand Rounds

Tuesday, March 5, 2024 | 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM | Virtual (via Zoom)

Title: Normal oxygen saturation in healthy term infants and use of CO2 monitoring in the resuscitation of preterm infants

Presenter: Dr. Prakash Kannan Loganathan

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

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

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Pediatric Grand Rounds

Wednesday, March 6, 2024 | 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM | Virtual (via Zoom)

Title: Pediatric Annual Report Review

Presenters: Dr. Antonia Stang, Dr. Preet Sandhu, Dr. Michael Leaker, Dr. Leanna McKenzie, Dr. Susan Kuhn, and Ashton Chugh

→ [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

Child Health and Wellness Seminar: "Exploring the mechanisms of human labour and identifying novel drug targets for preterm birth"

Monday, March 4, 2024 | 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM | Virtual (via Zoom)

Addressing the mechanism of human labour, with specific interest in prostaglandins, g protein coupled receptors (GPCRs), and regulators of g protein signalling. This talk will discuss current and future strategies for identifying novel targets for treatment of preterm birth.

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

ENRICH Evening Event

Tuesday, March 5, 2024 | 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM | In-Person, Silver Springs Golf and Country Club

Join the ENRICH Team for a night of learning, networking, and dinner. Dr. Sheri Madigan and Dr. Mohamed Eltorki will be presenting and sharing their experiences as clinical scientists. They will discuss their individual journeys and provide unique insights into their professions.

Seating is limited. Please RSVP to [Tanya Graves-Smith](#).

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.](#)

NEW EVENT

2024 Dr. Harvey B. Sarnat Lectureship & Mini-Symposium in Developmental Neuroanatomy and Neuropathology

Monday, May 6, 2024 | 8:30 AM – 12:15 PM | Virtual (via Zoom)

This annual event brings together international leading experts on various topics on brain development. The 2024 event will be held online, exploring the topic Tuberous Sclerosis Complex, in which clinical and basic neuroscientists have provided new opportunities for future advances of this rare genetic disease.

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

Alberta Sexual Assault Course and Conference

Saturday, June 8, 2024 | 8:00 AM – 4:35 PM | Virtual (via Zoom)

The Alberta Sexual Assault Course and Conference is designed to share core training and provide management updates for urban and rural healthcare professionals caring for patients that have experienced sexual violence. The course endeavours to provide broad training with sessions that are tailored to both medical and non-medical professionals. Examples of course topics include completing sexual assault examination kits, communication tools for connection after trauma, sexual violence in digital spaces and understanding investigative processes.

→ [Click here for further details and 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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