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Featured Publications

Please click on each bullet point to view each publication.

Department of Pediatrics members are highlighted in yellow.

- An Atlas of Lumps and Bumps, Part 44: Dermatosis Papulosa Nigra Alexander K.C. Leung, Benjamin Barankin, Joseph M. Lam & Kin Fon Leong
- Anesthesia, extremely premature infants and full-scale intelligence quotient at 5 years of age - Joanna J. Fifen, Mujtaba Siddique, Arijit Lodha, Andrew Walker, Amina Benlamri, Selphee Tang, Sue Makarchuk, Abhay Lodha & Debbie McAllister
- The death of a Bryde's whale: paediatricians' perspective and health education implications - KL Hon, Alexander KC Leung, Karen KY Leung, Genevieve PG Fung & Patrick Ip

You can now explore other publications from our Department members on our website!



Applications open: OCEC Postdoctoral Future Leaders Awards

There are six awards available, valued at \$80,000 each (inclusive of health benefits) per year for 2 years. The Intent to Apply deadline is Wednesday, April 16, 2025.

Learn more and apply here



'Pandemic babies' turn 5: Here's what research tells us about their development and remarkable resilience

Department Member Dr. Gerald Giesbrecht and his lab recently published a Conversation Canada piece on how babies born during the pandemic are doing.

Read here



ALBERTA PRECISION LABORATORIES

Leaders in Laboratory Medicine

Update of Province Wide Laboratory Services and Test List for Clinical Trials and Research Studies

Alberta Precision Laboratories (APL) provides a single price list for tests and services for Clinical Trials and research studies. These prices are reviewed and revised annually. This memo serves as advanced notice that the Province Wide Laboratory Services and Test List for Clinical Trials and Research Studies has been updated.

Stats Canada has released CPI data for healthcare at 3.6% and the majority of price increases reflect that. Some tests and procedures have had detailed cost review or method changes, and these tests have been updated to reflect cost recovery.

For fiscal year April 1, 2025, to March 31, 2026:

- Tests and services have been adjusted for inflation.
- The list is not exhaustive, but reflective of common tests and services utilized for research purposes.

All Clinical Trial and Research Studies will be invoiced at the new prices effective April 1, 2025.

If you have any questions, please email research@albertaprecisionlabs.ca

View the updates here



2025 Owerko Centre Conference

Monday, May 5, 2025 | 9:00 AM - 4:45 PM
Theatre 4, Health Sciences Centre, Foothills Campus, University of Calgary

The Owerko Centre conference is an annual event hosted by the Owerko Centre at The Alberta Children's Hospital Research Institute. Attendees can explore important areas of brain and mental health research through engaging speakers, trainee presentations and networking.

Learn more and register here

International Clinical Trials Day

May 20, 2025 | 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. Azrieli (formerly HRIC) Atrium

International Clinical Trials Day is celebrated annually in May, commemorating the anniversary of the first clinical trial by James Lind in 1747. It serves as a tribute to the dedicated efforts of clinical trial professionals and the individuals who participate in these trials.

Register to partake in an event of networking, food, activities, prizes and a celebration of you!

Register here

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

King Charles III Coronation Medal

Department member Dr. Adam Cheng was recently selected to receive the King Charles III Coronation Medal. This award is by the government of Canada to individuals who have made significant contributions to their community, province or country.

He was nominated by Heart and Stroke Canada in recognition of his scientific contributions to heart health in Canada.

Congratulations Dr. Cheng!









Canadian Paediatric Society (CPS) Emerging Leader in Neonatology Award

We are delighted to announce that Department member Dr. Lara Leijser recently has been selected as this year's recipient of the CPS Emerging Leader in Neonatology Award!

Congratulations Dr. Leijser!



New Episode The Thrive Home

In this new episode of The Thrive Home podcast, hosted by faculty and residents at the Alberta Children's Hospital, we unmask imposter syndrome —a hidden struggle affecting up to 60% of medical students, residents, and physicians. Dr. Leanna McKenzie, a pediatric gastroenterologist and Deputy Head of Education, shares her personal experiences with imposter syndrome and breaks down the five distinct types: the Perfectionist, the Natural Genius, the Soloist, the Expert, and the Superwoman/Superman.

Spotify

Apple Podcast

Amazon Music



Save the Date! Annual Celebration 2025

We are pleased to announce that this year's Annual Celebration will be held in June. Please mark your calendars and prepare for an exceptional event. Further details and registration will be coming soon.

- Tuesday, June 10, 2025 | 6:00 11:59 PM
- Calgary Golf and Country Club, 919 50 Ave SW, Calgary, AB T2S 1H1

Please note that this event is for Department Members (Physicians and PhD Researchers) and Trainees, along with their plus-ones. We look forward to celebrating with you!



2024 Annual Report Quiz

We hope you have reviewed this year's Department of Pediatrics' Annual Report, as we have prepared a simple quiz based on its contents!

The section/group with the highest participation will win a prize, which will be unveiled at the Annual Celebration in June.

Be sure to complete the quiz and share it with your colleagues.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Seeking Examiners

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

OSCE:

- Thursday, May 8 | 12:45pm –
 4:30m OSCE at MedSkills (FMC-Health Sciences Centre)
- Thursday, May 22 | 12:45pm –
 4:30pm VOSCE for PGY4s
 (Zoom)

STACER:

- Thursday, May 29 | 12:45pm –
 4:30pm STACER at MedSkills (FMC-Health Sciences Centre)
- Thursday, June 12 | 12:45pm –
 4:30pm STACER at MedSkills (FMC-Health Sciences Centre)
- Thursday, June 19 | 12:45pm –
 4:30pm STACER at MedSKills (FMC-Health Sciences Centre)

No preparation is required- just show up, follow the script, and enjoy an afternoon with learners and colleagues! OSCE/STACER Examiner Remuneration is available to non AMHSP staff at a rate of \$150/hour.

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

Have news or content that you would like to be featured?

Please send us an email at **pediatrics.comms@ucalgary.ca** by Tuesday at 11:00 AM for it to be included in that week's issue or the appropriate week's feature. Learn more about each week's themes **here**.

EVENTS

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

Child Health and Wellness Seminar

Discovery Series

Understanding Mental Health and Neurodiversity Through Systems Neuroscience

Dr. Aaron Gruber, PhD

Professor, UCalgary

Monday, April 7: 8:30 – 9:30 am Zoom Registration: bit.ly/4bnCTc4











Zoom link



NAVIGATING
TURBULENT TIMES
An Introduction to Mindfulness

Navigating Turbulent Times

A six week course that will provide an introduction to mindfulness.

Topics will include: What is mindfulness?
Mindfulness of the body (including breath),
Mindfulness of thoughts and emotions, Kindness
and Compassion, Incorporating mindfulness into
everyday life.

Dates: April 7 – May 12 2025 (weekly on Monday's)

Time: 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (90 minute weekly

session)

Location: W21C, Cal Wenzel Precision Health or

online

Register here



2025 Transdisciplinary Maternal and Child Health Graduate Research Symposium

Monday, April 28 | 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Led by the Alberta Children's Hospital Research Institute's Trainee Association (ACHRITA), this symposium is funded by UCalgary's Graduate Students' Association in partnership with ACHRI.

Learn more and register here



PEPP Networking Sessions: Transitioning Out of Practice

April 29, 2025 | 5:30 – 8:00 PM (dinner and informal networking prior)

Facilitated by: Well Doc Alberta

Location: ACH Physcians' Lounge

The Calgary Department of Pediatrics presents

Physician Wellness Support Across Career Transitions Transition Out Of Practice (TOOP) – Who Am I Now?

in collaboration with Well Doc Alberta

We are offering an in-person supper meeting for physicians contemplating transitioning out of practice.

This facilitated, evidence-based session is grounded in the commensality group model (the practice of eating together), where colleagues explore the meaning, impact, and challenges of physician life.



Transition Out Of Practice (TOOP)

Learning Objectives:

By the end of this session, participants will be able to

- 1. Describe the role of their professional identity in the context of their self-identity
- 2. Identify challenges and opportunities that come with transitioning out of practice
- 3. Describe strategies that may support successful transitioning out of practice

Tuesday, April 29, 2025 | 1730 — 2000 *dinner begins at 1645

Registration required: https://ucpeds-toop1.eventbrite.ca
Location: Alberta Children's Hospital – Physicians' Lounge (second floor)

Session Facilitator Dr. Lara Cooke MD MSc FRCPC (Neurology)

Well Doc Alberta aims to help physicians, physician groups, and healthcare system leaders embed policies, practices, and programs in their healthcare systems to proactively enhance the wellness of physicians across Alberta. **Learn more at welldocalberta.org**







Register here



Black Child and Youth Wellbeing Conference

May 8 - 9, 2025

Location: Alt Hotel, Calgary University District

Black Child and Youth Wellbeing Conference is the first of its kind, organized by the Black and Racial Equity (BARE) Research Program as part of the Transforming the Lives of Black Children and Youth project (funding by the Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada Partnership Grant).

Learn more and register here

UPCOMING ROUNDS

Neonatal Rounds

Tuesday, April 8, 2025 | 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Virtual (via Zoom)

Topic: Too Noisy or Too Quiet: How to Tune Up Auditory Stimuli in the NICU

Presenter: Shridevi. S .Bisanalli

Register here

Pediatric Grand Rounds

Wednesday, April 9, 2025 | 8:30 - 9:30 AM

Kinsmen Learning Centre Auditorium (4th Floor - ACH) or Virtual (via Zoom)

Topic: The Alberta Provincial Bronchiolitis "Less is Best" Project: Using Connect Care Data for Continuous Improvement in Pediatric Acute Care

Presenters: Dr. J. A. Michelle Bailey, Dr. Lindsay Long & Dr. Chris Novak

Register here

Psychopharmacology Rounds

Wednesday, April 9, 2025 | 12:00 - 1:00 PM

Virtual (via Zoom)

Topic: AACAP Psychopharmacology Conference 2025: Part 3 Autism and ADHD

Presenter: Dr. Kathryn MacLellan, MD, FRCPC, FAAP, Developmental Pediatrics

Registration required

Register here

Grand Rounds Recordings

Check out the Grand Rounds page on our website for previous Grand Rounds presentations **here**.

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

Click on the following positions for complete posting details

Pediatric Palliative Medicine Physician (NEW)

• FTE: 0.6

• Type: Full-time

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: April 7, 2025

Locum Pediatric Respirologist (EXTENDED)

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Short-term Locum

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: April 8, 2025

Adolescent Medicine, Pediatrician, Locum, AMHSP (EXTENDED)

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Short-term Locum

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: April 13, 2025

Pediatric Cardiologist (NEW)

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Full-time

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: April 14, 2025

Locum Pediatric Neurologist (NEW)

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Short-term Locum

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: April 14, 2025

Pediatric Neurologist (NEW)

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Full-time

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: April 14, 2025

Pediatric Endocrinologist Locum (EXTENDED)

• FTE: 0.9

• Type: Short-term Locum

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: April 14, 2025

Pediatric Cardiology Clinical Associate (EXTENDED)

• FTE: 0.6

• Type: Part-time

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: April 14, 2025

Pediatric Cardiology Clinical Associate - Locum (EXTENDED)

• FTE: 0.6

• Type: Long-term Locum

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: April 14, 2025

Locum Pediatric Neurologist (EXTENDED)

• FTE: 0.7

• Type: Short-term Locum

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: April 18, 2025

Clinical Geneticist (NEW)

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Full-time

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: May 1, 2025

AMHSP Clinician - Infectious Diseases (EXTENDED)

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Full-time

• Location: Alberta Children's Hospital

• Application Deadline: Open until a suitable candidate is found

Community Pediatrician or Pediatric Subspecialist

- FTE 0.2-1.0 Mon-Fri
- Type: Part-time to Full Time or Locum
- Location: Kiwi Pediatrics, Close to Deerfoot in the SE
- Application Open until space is filled
- For more information contact Dr. Dan Ross or Dr. Amanda Evans at kiwipeds@gmail.com

Community Pediatrician or Pediatric Subspecialist

- FTE 0.2-1.0 Mon-Fri
- Type: Part-time to Full Time or Locum
- Location: MyKidz Pediatric Clinic locations in the Northeast (NE) and Southeast (SE) quadrants of Calgary, Alberta.
- Application Open until space is filled
- For more information email info@mykidz.ca or contact Paul Galang at paul@sleepconsultants.ca

Explore these other job boards for more current opportunities with our department, the Cumming School of Medicine at the University of Calgary and Alberta Health Services below.

UCalgary Careers

Doctor Jobs Alberta

Contact pediatrics.comms@ucalgary.ca with questions or if you have content to contribute.

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