



# WEEKLY BULLETIN

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### Weekly Bulletin Archive

Check out the Department of Pediatrics past Weekly Bulletins on our website by pressing [here](#).

## EDUCATION FEATURE



### Educator of the Month - June 2025

We are excited to highlight June's Educator of the Month - Dr. Pamela Veale.

A big thank you to Dr. Pamela Veale for all she does!

# EDUCATOR OF THE MONTH

JUNE 2025

## Dr. Pamela Veale

Assistant Program Director, Academic Support, General Pediatrics Residency Program



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**What are the current Education roles/positions that you hold?**

In addition to my clinical teaching, I am currently one of the assistant program directors (academic support) for general pediatrics and a RIME small group facilitator in UME. I also teach a graduate course, Curriculum Oversight and Stewardship (MDPR 631) which is part of the Cumming School of Medicine Precision Program.

**What do you enjoy most about working in Medical Education, and what tips would you like to share?**

It is hard to pick one thing! I really enjoy teaching clinical skills, and I have been a small group preceptor for medical student communication and physical exam sessions throughout my career, regardless of my other roles and responsibilities. However, I also enjoy "behind the scenes" projects in curriculum development, trainee support and examination development.

Perhaps the most rewarding experience for me is to watch students succeed and move on to be residents and then colleagues! Although I am only a small part of each individual journey, it is very special to help along the way by supporting their learning or personal needs.

I encourage residents to give me feedback if they are observing me with a patient or family. This allows them to more actively notice communication strategies and reflect on the process of the interaction. It also models both giving and receiving feedback.

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**Great job Dr. Pamela Veale!**

### Education Related Awards

A few of our Department Members were recognized for various education-related awards recently!



### Adele Meyers Award of Excellence

Department member **Dr. Gesche Riabowol née Tallen** received the Adele Meyers Award of Excellence during the CSM's Calgary Medical Students Association Class of 2025 Graduation Ceremony.

Congratulations Dr. Tallen!



**Dr. Marnie Hinton  
Resident Wellness  
Award**

Department member Dr. Tamara Yee, PGY-3 was recognized for their contributions to physician health and wellness aligning with the legacy of Dr. Marnie Hinton.

Congratulations Dr. Yee!



**PGME Awards for  
Excellence in  
Postgraduate Medical  
Education**

Department member **Dr. Gary Galante** has been awarded a PGME award of excellence for outstanding commitment to residency education Award for a subspecialty program!

Congratulations Dr. Galante!



**Michel Weber  
Education Award**

Department member Dr. Nicole Johnson has received the **Michael Weber Education Award**! This award recognizes a CPS member whose work in medical and/or inter-professional education has had a significant and positive impact on learners in child and youth health.

Congratulations Dr. Johnson!

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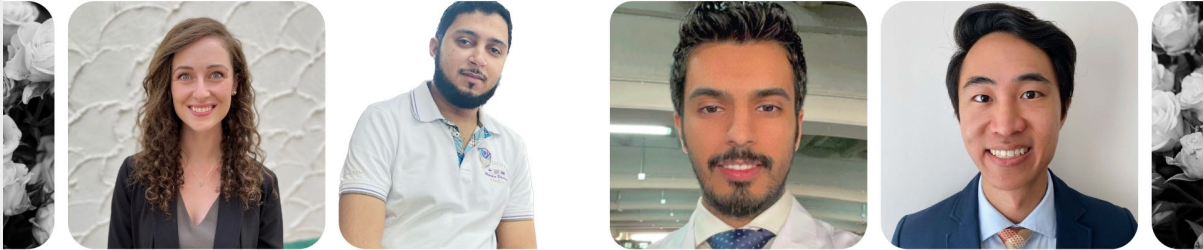
**CONGRATULATIONS  
CLASS OF 2025!**





Graduating General Pediatric Residents from the Graduation Ceremony on May 15, 2025.

Subspecialty Graduating Residents



DR. ALYSSA ARCHIBALD NEPHROLOGY	DR. NAJI AL DHAWI NEPHROLOGY	DR. SAAD ALMASHAN DEVELOPMENTAL PEDIATRICS	DR. KEON MA EMERGENCY MEDICINE
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Subspecialty Graduating Residents



DR. TUSIA (KATHERINE) POHORESKI GASTROENTEROLOGY	DR. PAULINA PODGORNY GASTROENTEROLOGY	DR. ELISE MARTIN ENDOCRINOLOGY	DR. SAMUEL BRADBROOK MEDICAL GENETICS AND GENOMICS
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# Subspecialty Graduating Residents



**DR. YARA FALATAH**  
INFECTIOUS DISEASES

**DR. REEM ALBUAIJAN**  
RESPIROLOGY

**DR. DANAH AL SHARRAH**  
INFECTIOUS DISEASES

**DR. JORDAN VAN DYK**  
NEUROLOGY



### Educational Leadership Opportunities

If you are interested in Medical Education, leading change and teaching in the MD Program, consider applying for the interesting and challenging positions with the Cumming School of Medicine's Undergraduate Medical Education program!

All applications can be directed to [ume.manager@ucalgary.ca](mailto:ume.manager@ucalgary.ca)

[View the postings here](#)



### Nominate a Senior General Pediatrics Resident for the Dr. George Prieur Scholarship

The Prieur Family established this award in 1992. Dr. George Prieur was a Pediatrician who practiced in Calgary prior to the Second World War. It is believed that he was the second pediatrician to establish a practice in the city. When Dr. Prieur was nearing the end of his life in 1992, his family donated funds to support a scholarship in his memory.

Nomination deadline: June 15, 2025

[Nominate here](#)



### Pediatric Residency Program Awards Ceremony

**June 26, 2025 | 2:00 - 4:00 PM**

Please join us for our annual awards ceremony selected by our very own pediatric residents.



### Heart and Stroke Canada Ceremony

Department members Drs. **Jack Rabi** and **Adam Cheng** both received the King Charles III Coronation Medal and were recently recognized at the **Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada** ceremony on June 4, 2025.

Congratulations both!



### Best Original Abstract Award at the International Perinatal Conference

We are pleased to share that Department member Dr. Marika Grant, a Neonatal-Perinatal Resident received the Best Original Abstract Award at the International Perinatal Conference organized by the American Academy of Pediatrics, SONPM District 8, held in Boise, Idaho, USA on June 7, 2025.

Dr. Grant was recognized for her outstanding research titled: "Association between Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-warned Anesthesia and Sedation Exposure and Full-Scale full-scale intelligence quotient at 5 Years of Age in Very Premature Infants."

This important work was made possible through the contributions of a dedicated research team. Authors who contributed to this project include (highlighted are members of the Department of Pediatrics): **Marika Grant**, Andrew Walker, **Amina Benlamri**, Joanna Moser, Selphee Tang, Sue Makarchuk, **Majeeda Kamaluddeen**, Debbie McAllister, **Abhay Lodha**.

Congratulations to Dr. Grant and the entire team for this significant achievement and for advancing our understanding of long-term neurodevelopmental outcomes in preterm infants!

### Retirement Party: Dr. Jennifer MacPherson

Friday, June 27, 2025 | 12:30 – 2:00 PM





**Kinsmen Learning Centre Auditorium (4th Floor - ACH)**

Please join us to celebrate department member Dr. Jennifer MacPherson's Retirement! Coffee and cake will be provided.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**Announcement from AHS Zone Medical Director: Facility Medical Director – Alberta Children's Hospital Dr. David Chaulk**

Alberta Health Services, Calgary Zone, is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. David Chaulk as the Facility Medical Director (FMD) for the Alberta Children's Hospital (ACH), effective August 1st, 2025. He will be taking over the role from Dr. Jennifer MacPherson who will be retiring at the end of this month after serving as the FMD of the ACH for the past 6 years. We are extremely grateful for Dr. MacPherson's dedicated leadership to the Alberta Children's Hospital over her long career with AHS and wish her the very best in her retirement.

[View the announcement here](#)



**Need a New Headshot?**

If you're in need of an updated headshot or profile photo, please contact send an email to our Communications Lead at [pediatrics.comms@ucalgary.ca](mailto:pediatrics.comms@ucalgary.ca).

She can take a complimentary headshot for you on-site at ACH!



**Research supervisors needed for incoming pediatric residents!**

Our 15 new R1s are each in search of a resident's research project.

If you are willing to supervise or need more information, please contact our Scholarly Oversight

**Help shape our newest resident cohort!**

Our Pediatric Residency CaRMS committee is seeking at least 2 new faculty members for the new academic year.

The committee meets ~4 times a year for 1 hour over lunch and oversees the important task of new incoming resident selection for our program.

Please consider stepping up for this rewarding and important educational opportunity. Send your



**Seeking Examiners**

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

STACER:

- 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](mailto: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 [peditricts.comms@ucalgary.ca](mailto:peditricts.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*

## Upcoming Workshop



Easy QI Methods and Tools to Enhance Effectiveness of your QI, Education and Research Projects

 Monday, June 16 | 1:00 - 4:00 PM

 Conference Room 13 - 15 spots open

 Dr. Jennifer Thull-Freedman



 Scan here to register

**Register for the workshops here**





# ECHOing Care

## Children with Medical Complexity

### Do you work with Children with Medical Complexity?

Project ECHO can support you in your work through **case-based learning** and **topic discussions**. Bring your de-identified cases for advice and support. **Join our interprofessional virtual community of practice.**

### Upcoming Session: Dystonia Management in Children with Medical Complexity

This session will focus on **Evolving Algorithms**



June 16, 2025



18:00 - 19:45 MST

Delivered via **zoom**

<https://redcap.link/achechoregistration>



Dr. Lee Burkholder



Join the Alberta Children's Hospital Complex Care ECHO! All healthcare professionals are invited to register for our next virtual session on June 16th, 2025, focusing on Dystonia Management in Children with Medical Complexity. ECHO offers case-based learning and a supportive community of practice.

Each session is accredited for 1.5 hours of MOC Section 1 Credits. Additionally, we are looking for cases related to any pediatric complex health need. If your case is selected, you could receive a \$50 gift card of your choice as a token of our appreciation.

[Register here](#)

[Submit a Case here](#)



### Evidence-Based Practice for Improving Quality (EPIQ) Workshop

Tuesday, June 17, 2025 | 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM | Alberta Children Hospital (Lunch Included)

#### Training front-line teams in quality improvement methods

The EPIQ Workshop aims to train physicians and other healthcare providers in quality improvement methods using a hands-on approach that enables teams to implement quality improvement together.

#### In this workshop you will learn:

- Why improvement science is valuable in health care and everyday life.
- Gain expertise on the QI process and understand how to implement it in your context.
- Establish a stronger understanding of your opportunities for change.
- Break down implementation into achievable steps.
- Get a handle on the logistics: plans, team creation, measurement, and more.

#### Workshop Facilitators:

- Ayman Abou Mehrem, Neonatologist and EPIQ Lead Facilitator
- Khorshid Mohammad, MD, Director, Newborn, Neuro-Intensive Care
- Claire Hamilton, MN RN, Quality Improvement Nurse
- Jumana Samara, MD, Neonatologist

#### Questions, contact the facilitators:

Dr. Ayman Abou Mehrem [Ayman.AbouMehrem@ahs.ca](mailto:Ayman.AbouMehrem@ahs.ca)

#### Registration (Max 40 Participants)

Registration Fee: \$175 CAD

**AHS Staff and Physicians \$125 when  
using discount coupon cqiepahs50**

Register by June 9, 2025

Register link: Click here [EPIQ Workshop](#)

Registration QR Code:



**CME:** The EPIQ workshop is accredited for up to 6 hours of Section 3 MOC credits with the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada; and for up to 5 hours (2 Mainpro+ Group Learning credits per hour) by the College of Family Physicians of Canada.



[Learn more and register here](#)

# REALISE

## Open Data Sharing for Populations at Risk of Re-identification

**A comprehensive half-day workshop empowering researchers to share sensitive human data responsibly**

**Tuesday, June 17 | 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM**

**Foothills Campus (HSC)**

This interactive workshop will guide you through the crucial elements of open science and data sharing, with a focus on balancing scientific progress with ethical and legal obligations. Participants will delve into foundational open science principles, learn how to assess and mitigate re-identification risks, and explore effective communication and documentation strategies for handling sensitive data.

**Learn more and register here**

### Calgary Neonatal Quality Improvement Education Program



#### **Making Sense of QI Data Workshop**

**Tuesday, June 17, 2025 | 4:00 AM – 7:00 PM | Alberta Children's Hospital**

##### **Objectives:**

In this interactive hands-on workshop you will learn:

- The importance of QI data
- How to plan, collect, and classify QI data
- Various types of statistical process control (SPC) charts
- How to use QIMacros software to create SPC charts

##### **Workshop Requirements:**

To achieve the maximum benefit from this workshop, please come prepared:

- Bring your own laptop with Microsoft Excel software installed. Basic knowledge of Excel is important.
- Download and install QIMacros software few days prior to the workshop. A Free 30-day Trial can be downloaded from: <https://www.qimacros.com/>.
- Mock data will be available for practice purposes during the workshop. However, if you would like to test what you learn in the workshop, bring your own data with you. The last 30 minutes of the workshop is dedicated for practice on building various SPC charts.

#### **Registration (Max 20 Participants)**

Registration Fee: \$100 CAD

**AHS Staff and Physicians \$50 when using discount coupon [cqiepahs50](#)**

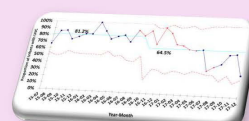
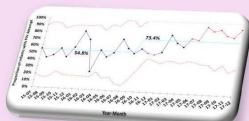
Register by June 9, 2025

Register link: Click [Making Sense of QI Data](#)

Registration QR Code:



**Questions:** Dr. Ayman Abou Mehrem  
[Ayman.AbouMehrem@ahs.ca](mailto:Ayman.AbouMehrem@ahs.ca)



**Learn more and register here**

### Coordinator Community of Practice

**Thursday, June 26 | 9:00 – 10:30 AM**

**Alberta Children's Hospital, 4th floor, Conference Room 3 or Virtual via Zoom**

The Coordinator Community of Practice is open to UCalgary Clinical Researchers, Coordinators and Staff of all levels. This monthly in-person working group meets to learn about and contribute to clinical research and trial best practices. These interactive sessions with the Provincial OnCore Support Team (POST), Quality Assurance Team, CSM Legal Team and CCCR Finance Team, provides the opportunity to ask questions, gain expertise, and meet your colleagues. Please note these sessions do not replace required training.

**Learn more and register here**



Mindful Practice in Medicine



Mindful Practice in Medicine Workshop

A three day workshop (from [CSM's Centre for Mindfulness](#)) learning mindful practices and how to apply them to healthcare providers' clinical and personal lives to allow them to flourish in medicine and address issues with burnout.

October 22 - October 25, 2025  
Location: The Crossing at Ghost River (62129 Hwy 40)  
Price: \$1890.00 (includes GST)

[View the full details here](#)

[Register here](#)

UPCOMING ROUNDS

Neonatal Rounds

**Tuesday, June 17, 2025 | 4:00 – 5:00 PM**

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

Topic: Small Brain, Big Impact: The neonatal cerebellum

Presenter: Dr. Sylke Steggerda

[Register here](#)

National Grand Rounds: Canadian Paediatric Society

**Tuesday, June 17, 2025 | 10:00 – 11:00 AM**

Virtual (via Zoom)

Topic: The impact of armed conflict on children and youth

Presenters: Dr. Charles Hui, Dr. Ripudaman Minhas and Dr. Shazeen Suleman

[Register here](#)

Pediatric Grand Rounds

**Wednesday, June 18, 2025 | 8:30 – 9:30 AM**

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

Topic: Kangaroo Mother Care: Evolution from an Alternative care to the Standard of Care in Neonatal Medicine

Presenter: Dr. Nathalie Charpak, MD

[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

Locum Pediatric Respirologist (EXTENDED)

- FTE: 1.0
- Type: Short-term Locum
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: June 24, 2025

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**Neonatologist (EXTENDED)**

- FTE: 1.0
- Type: Full-time
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: June 30, 2025

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**Locum Clinical Geneticist**

- FTE: 1.0
- Type: Short-term Locum
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: June 30, 2025

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**Pediatric Cardiologist (NEW)**

- FTE: 1.0
- Type: Full-time
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: July 10, 2025

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**Locum Pediatric Neurologist (EXTENDED)**

- FTE: 0.7
- Type: Short-term Locum
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: July 9, 2025

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**Locum Pediatric Neurologist (EXTENDED)**

- FTE: 1.0
- Type: Short-term Locum
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: July 9, 2025

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**Adolescent Medicine, Pediatrician, Locum, AMHSP (EXTENDED)**

- FTE: 0.1
- Type: Short-term Locum
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: July 17, 2025

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**Pediatric Cardiology Clinical Associate (EXTENDED)**

- FTE: 0.6
- Type: Part-time
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: July 17, 2025

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**Neonatologist**

- FTE: 1.0
  - Type: Full-time
  - Location: Peter Lougheed Centre
  - Application Deadline: July 31, 2025
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**Pediatric Infectious Diseases Specialist, AMHSP (EXTENDED)**

- FTE: 1.0
- Type: Full-time
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: July 31, 2025

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**Locum Pediatric Infectious Diseases Specialist, AMHSP (EXTENDED)**

- FTE: 1.0
- Type: Full-time
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: Until filled

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**Newborn Critical Care Clinical Associate (EXTENDED)**

- FTE: 1.0
- Type: Part-time
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: Open until a suitable candidate is found

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**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](mailto:kiwipeds@gmail.com)

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**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](mailto:info@mykidz.ca) or contact Paul Galang at [paul@sleepconsultants.ca](mailto:paul@sleepconsultants.ca)

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**Community Pediatrician or Pediatric Subspecialist**

- FTE 0.2-1.0 Mon-Fri, Flexible
- Type: Part-time to Full Time Consultant Based Practice
- Location: Sage Fox Medical Consultants L100 - 8555 Scurfield Drive NW
- Application Open until space is filled
- For more information see our [website](#) or contact Dr. Karin Winston at [drwinston@sagefoxmedical.ca](mailto:drwinston@sagefoxmedical.ca)

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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](#)

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