

WEEKLY BULLETIN

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WELLNESS, CULTURE & COMMUNITY FEATURE





Compassion is Critical to Care

The level of compassion a patient receives best determines their perception of the quality of care, a group of researchers led by [Dr. Shane Sinclair](#) have found.

The findings of their report, which surveyed 4501 patients of emergency departments in several hospitals across Alberta, are a break from what are traditionally believed to be the main drivers of quality — the length of wait times, how clinical information is collected or dispensed, or the ease of the discharge process — though they’re all important, said Shane Sinclair.

[Continue reading here](#)



Dr. Sinclair is also the founder and director of the Compassion Research Lab.

The Compassion Research Lab is committed to putting compassion back where it belongs, at the heart of healthcare.

[Learn more](#)



Mindful Practice Minutes

Mindful practitioners who attend to their mental and physical processes improve their compassion, knowledge, and teamwork, benefiting themselves, their colleagues, and their patients.

In this feature, we will be providing snippets that you can consider trying out, whether it is a short practice, a helpful app, or a podcast to listen to on the way home.



Learn how to use an external cue as a quick re-set button in this 1-minute STOP Practice. Whether it is a hand on a door handle, pressing the hand sanitizer dispenser, or clicking the next Zoom link, leave the past behind to move forward with a better self.

[Listen here](#)

[Visit the Centre for Mindfulness](#)



Are You Interested in Improving Suicide Training for Physicians?

The [Department of Psychiatry](#) invites attending physicians and pediatrics residents to participate in interviews discussing their experiences with suicide intervention training. The goal is to understand what works in preparing physicians and residents for working with suicidal patients in clinical settings and to identify what should be included in suicide intervention training for physicians in the field.

Participants will receive a \$50.00 VISA gift card for completing a 30- to 60-minute interview about their experiences with suicide intervention training and working with suicidal patients. These interviews will be conducted virtually and can be scheduled to accommodate busy schedules.

If you are interested in participating or have any questions about the study, please email sibatcalgary@ucalgary.ca.

This study has been approved by the University of Calgary Conjoint Health Research Ethics Board (CHREB) - REB23-0407.





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CATALYSTS FOR CHANGE

Celebrating 100 Years
of Medical Women in Canada

2024 EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE & AGM

September 27-28, 2024
Fairmont Château Laurier, Ottawa



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#FMWC100

[Learn more and register here](#)

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

New Section Chiefs

The Department of Pediatrics is pleased to announce 3 new Section Chiefs changeovers that took place in July!

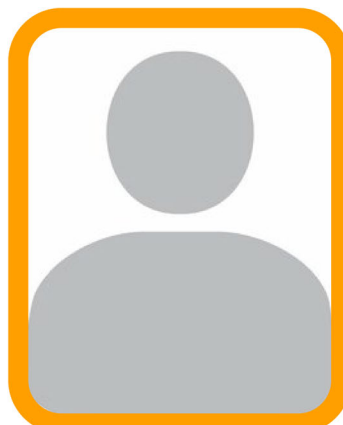
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- Pediatric Respiriology: [Dr. Adetayo Adeleye](#)



Dr. Geoff Cuvelier
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Pediatric Respiriology



Celebration Honours Clinical Rheumatologist

Congratulations to **Dr. Nicole Johnson** on being honoured at the UCalgary Black Brilliance Celebration for her work advocating for children with rheumatic diseases. Dr. Johnson's commitment to community awareness and medical education, coupled with her research and clinical practice, make her a respected figure in paediatric rheumatology.

Congratulations Dr. Johnson!

[Read more](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Department of Pediatrics and AHS Antimicrobial Stewardship Program

Dr. Peter Jamieson, AHS CMO and VP Quality announced the launch of a province wide antimicrobial stewardship initiative at the end of May. We are pleased to announce the launch of Alberta Children's Hospital's antimicrobial stewardship program under this umbrella which will operate year-round starting September 1, 2024. This program will be spearheaded by **Dr. Carsten Krueger**, infectious diseases consultant and medical lead for pediatric stewardship in southern Alberta, as well as Trevor Toy, newly minted stewardship pharmacist and long-time pediatric hospital medicine pharmacist at ACH.

We will need your help and support to optimize antimicrobial stewardship practices across the Department of Pediatrics.

As the program rolls out, Dr. Krueger and Trevor Toy will connect with your section to help identify areas of improvement and co-develop strategies for optimizing antimicrobial use together with you.

- Dr. Antonia Stang, Dr. Carsten Krueger and Trevor Toy



Trevor Toy



Dr. Carsten Krueger

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Message from

Penny Rae

Chief Information Officer



Changes to Downloading and Printing AHS Files on Personal Devices

AHS is accountable to maintain the privacy and confidentiality of Albertans and the privacy of our organization’s information. To prevent sensitive data from inadvertently leaving our environment, starting on September 30, 2024 staff and physicians will no longer be able to use their personal PC/Mac devices to download or print AHS files from their OneDrive or SharePoint Online folders.

Please note that viewing and editing files are not impacted. By using multi-factor authentication, all staff and physicians will still be able to view and edit their OneDrive/SharePoint Online files from any device - laptop, home computer, or mobile device - but the download and print functions on personal devices will be disabled for AHS files.

We recognize that a small percentage of AHS staff and physicians will still need to download or print AHS files from a personal device, and they may be eligible for an exemption from this restriction. An exemption may be granted only if the required workflow cannot be performed within the AHS Microsoft environment. Examples of exempt workflows may include the following:

Sharing large documents with external entities (universities, conference organizers, research agencies, etc.) Downloading data to use with software not available at AHS.

Users who require the download or printing functions on their personal computers are asked to use the IT Access Request Form (ITARF), outline the rationale for the exemption request and answer a few questions regarding the privacy implications.

Visit Insite to learn more about the change to Microsoft Web Applications and the overall Microsoft Technologies Program.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Virtual Office Hours – Microsoft 365 Readiness

After a Deskless Worker switches to web apps only...



Excel



OneNote





Outlook



PowerPoint



Word

 Deskless Workers (share computers)	Web App					
	Desktop App					
 Information Worker (dedicated computer)	Desktop & Web Apps					

August 1, 2024

Microsoft Technologies Program

AHS Microsoft 365 Licenses

In 2023, Microsoft 365 introduced a new licensing model to AHS. Information Workers with assigned computers (i.e., admin) will receive full access to the MS 365 license package, while Deskless Workers will have access to web-based apps only.

Currently, 80% of AHS staff are Deskless Workers, and 20% have dedicated devices. Web-based access limitations mean certain documents (e.g., fillable forms, advanced Excel spreadsheets, macros) will not be compatible for Deskless Workers.

[Learn more here](#)

[and here](#)



Develop Your Podcaster Potential

We're launching a Department of Pediatrics podcast with the Pediatric Resident Training Program and seeking department members to mentor and co-host episodes with senior residents.

This podcast will highlight fascinating stories and groundbreaking work in our department, exploring diverse career paths in pediatrics and spotlighting colleagues who deserve more recognition.

If you'd like to help showcase our colleagues and their contributions, please send an email to susan.kuhn@albertahealthservices.ca.



UCalgary Profiles

The University of Calgary (UCalgary) has created a new central web profile system! The great news is as a member/faculty you can access your own web profile and update it as needed – this profile is like your very own mini-website where you can share your contact information and highlight your research, teaching, biography, awards, etc.

Getting started:

If you have a UCalgary email, simply login to <https://profiles.ucalgary.ca/user>

- [Here is the guide](#) on how to create your profile
- [Here are additional profile tips](#)
- Questions or need assistance? Please email digital@ucalgary.ca or pediatrics.comms@ucalgary.ca.

If you do not have a UCalgary email, we can set up your profile using your AHS email! Please send an email to digital@ucalgary.ca or pediatrics.comms@ucalgary.ca.

Please note that all ACHRI member profiles have been unpublished and all ACHRI members have been notified. We will only use UCalgary profiles moving forward.

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

ACHRI/Owerko Summer Student Research Symposium 2024

Wednesday, August 28, 2024 | 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Location(s): Clara Christie Theatre, Health Sciences Centre & HRIC Atrium, Health Research Innovation Centre

This symposium provides a great opportunity for young researchers to share the amazing summer research projects they have been working on!

The ACHRITA ([Alberta Children's Hospital Research Institute Trainee Association](#)) organizing committee is seeking graduate students, postdoctoral fellows, and clinical fellows to review abstracts and serve as judges. Judges evaluate student

presentations during dedicated sessions:

- 9:20 – 10:50 AM – Oral Presentations
- 12:05 – 2:15 PM – Poster Presentations
- 2:15 – 3:45 PM – Elevator Pitch Presentations

[Register here to serve as a reviewer and/or judge](#)

Judges are not required to attend the entire symposium – of course, we would be pleased if you do wish to attend. When you register, please indicate if you will be joining us for lunch.

If you have any questions, please contact Education Co-Directors [Anamika](#) and [Aliza](#).

[Register here](#)

One Child Every Child Trainee Competitions Consultation

All researchers affiliated with UCalgary are invited to participate in a consultation session on **Thursday, September 5, 2024, from 2:00 – 3:30 PM** via Zoom, for the One Child Every Child (OCEC) Trainee Excellence Awards Competitions. There is more than \$1 million available for OCEC Trainee Awards in 2024/2025. This session offers an opportunity to provide feedback on the draft Terms of Reference and application criteria, as well as to engage with the Transdisciplinary Training Accelerator Co-Leaders, who will facilitate the competitions.

Questions? Email the OCEC Transdisciplinary Training Accelerator team at training.ocec@ucalgary.ca.

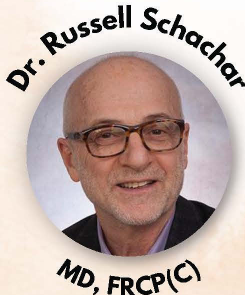
[Register here](#)



THE MATHISON CENTRE
for MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH & EDUCATION

Executive control and ADHD: A very short introduction

12:00PM - 1:00PM | September 9, 2024
Clara Christie Theatre



Dr. Schachar will provide a comprehensive overview of EC, including its definition, measurement, and the evidence supporting its role in ADHD. Attendees will gain insights into how EC impacts diagnosis, therapy, and future research in ADHD, with practical takeaways for improving assessment and management strategies.

Register: buytickets.at/themathisoncentreformentalhealthresearcheducation/1355129

[Register here](#)

Diagnosis and Treatment of Anxiety Disorders and Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder in Children and Youth: A Workshop for Pediatricians and Mental Health Therapists

Friday, October 4, 2024 | 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: Blue Room at the University of Calgary

The Mathison Centre for Mental Health Research & Education has developed this workshop in partnership with the Tourette OCD Alberta Network, a registered charity. This workshop is approved by The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and the Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) for continuing professional development credits. The workshop will feature three experts in the

treatment of these conditions, child psychiatrists Dr. Paul Arnold and Dr. Iliana Ortega, and psychologist Dr. Felicity Sapp.

[Learn more and register here](#)

Darwish Symposium 2025

Thursday, February 27, 2024 | 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM

Location: Kinsmen Learning Centre Auditorium, 4th Floor Alberta Children's Hospital

The Darwish Symposium is an annual event. This year's theme is Neuro-Oncology. It is an important topic in the specialized field of medicine. This event is open to everyone interested in neurology, oncology and dermatology.

Dr. Khakoo will be presenting at the Paediatric Grand Rounds on **Wednesday, February 26, 2025 8:30 - 9:30 AM** with the topic: Emergencies in pediatric neuro-oncology: new agents, new challenges

[Learn more and register here](#)

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

Click on the following positions for complete posting details

Deputy Department Head - Clinical Affairs

- FTE 0.15
- Type: Part-time
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: September 9, 2024

Newborn Critical Care Site Lead

- FTE 0.1
- Type: Part-time Practice
- Location: Rockyview General Hospital
- Application Deadline: September 30, 2024 (posting has been extended)

Pediatric Critical Care Clinical Associate Locum

- FTE 0.5
- Type: Long-term Locum
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: August 30, 2024

Pediatrician Respiriology – TEF/CDH Clinic (NEW)

- FTE 0.05
- Type: Part-time
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: August 31, 2024

Medical Geneticist

- FTE 0.50
- Type: Long-term Locum
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: September 9, 2024 (posting has been extended)

Adolescent Medicine Specialist

- FTE 1.0
- Type: Full-time
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: September 9, 2024 (posting has been extended)

Pediatric Endocrinologist

- FTE 1.0
- Type: Full-time
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: September 16, 2024 (posting has been extended)

Pediatric Respiriologist Locum

- FTE 0.8
- Type: Clinical Locum position to cover a one year leave
- Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
- Application Deadline: September 30, 2024

Newborn Critical Care Clinical Associate

- FTE: 1.0 (may be filled by more than one physician)
- Type: Part-time
- Location: Foothills Medical Centre and all other NICU sites
- Application Deadline: Open until a suitable candidate is found

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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