

#### **DEPARTMENT OF PEDIATRICS**

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## **WEEKLY BULLETIN**

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#### **Weekly Bulletin Archive**

Check out the Department of Pediatrics past Weekly Bulletins on our website by pressing **here**.

#### **WELLNESS, CULTURE & COMMUNITY FEATURE**









#### **Click for Kudos**

We invite you to anonymously nominate a colleague to be featured in our Weekly Bulletin. Please nominate individuals who deserve recognition for specific actions you have observed or experienced, or for consistently demonstrating exemplary behavior.

Remember, showing gratitude is not only beneficial for the recipient but also good for those who express it, especially for their brain health!

Click to submit

#### **Days of Significance**

The EDI Committee acknowledges the Days of Significance as outlined in the PESJO Calendar. As part of our ongoing commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion, we will feature articles in our monthly newsletters written by department members—some of whom are anonymous—who celebrate or recognize these meaningful days.

Given the number and variety of significant days throughout the year, we welcome

and encourage contributions. If you are interested in writing about an upcoming day of significance, please feel free to reach out to us via email <a href="mailto:pediatrics.comms@ucalgary.ca">pediatrics.comms@ucalgary.ca</a>

This month's feature is Emancipation Day, which took place on August 1st. The EDI committee's new chair had kindly written below. Thank you Dr. Gary Galante!

#### **Emancipation Day - August 1**

#### What is Emancipation Day?

Emancipation Day marks the anniversary of the day in 1834 when the Slavery Abolition Act came into effect across the British Empire, including Canada. It is a day to recognize the end of both Black and Indigenous slavery, honour the resilience, contributions, and ongoing struggles of enslaved peoples and their descendants, and reflect on the lasting impact of slavery and colonialism in Canada.

Although Emancipation Day was only officially recognized in Canada in 2021, Black communities in Canada have celebrated it since the 1850s.

The enslavement, buying and selling of Black and Indigenous peoples is part of Canada's history. It was ubiquitous from the early 1600s, in New France, until the abolition of slavery throughout British North America in 1834. Canadians also benefited from the transatlantic slave trade and the exchange of goods produced by enslaved people in the Caribbean. After slavery was abolished, people of African descent in Canada continued to face exclusion from public spaces as well as segregation in housing, education and employment.

## How do Canadians and community members celebrate and commemorate this day?

Commemorations across Canada include community events, educational forums, cultural celebrations, and artistic expressions honouring the lives and legacies of those affected by slavery. Many also use the day to reflect on the history of both Black and Indigenous enslavement, promote healing and awareness, and recommit to anti-racism.

## How can Department of Pediatrics members support the commemoration of this day?

- Members can support Emancipation Day by:
- Learning and educating others about the history of slavery in Canada, including the enslavement of both Black and Indigenous peoples
- Participating in and promoting events that honour this history and elevate the voices of affected communities
- Advocating for equity in child health, recognizing how systemic racism and historical injustices continue to affect health outcomes for Black and Indigenous children and families, and supporting clinical practices and systems that address these
- Engaging in reconciliation and anti-racism work within the healthcare system





# Year 3 Physician Wellness Survey Launching September 26, 2025

In collaboration with Well Doc Alberta



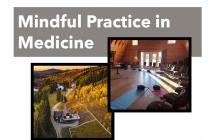
Shifting culture starts with your input.
Share your voice.

#### **Well Doc Alberta Physician Wellness Survey**

In continuation of our efforts to create a culture of physician wellness in our group, Well Doc Alberta is measuring wellness in the Department of Pediatrics for the third year!

- They are an independent, not-for-profit group
- Individual data will remain confidential and will not be shared
- Aggregate results will be given to leadership and shared back to group members during a post-measurement retreat (Jan 2026) that explores our results, reviews the changes over time, and sparks discussion about how our group's wellness work can continue gaining momentum

Questions? Contact Chloe de Grood at welldocalberta@ucalgary.ca



#### **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

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Price: \$1890.00 (includes GST)

View the full details here

Register here

#### **DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS**



**Promotions** 

Congratulations to all of the members of the Department of Pediatrics who were

promoted as of July 1, 2025!

- Dr. Belal Alshaikh, Clinical Professor
- Dr. Ping-Yee (Billie) Au, Clinical Associate Professor
- Dr. Jaime Blackwood, Clinical Associate Professor
- Dr. Brian Brooks, Adjunct Associate Professor
- Dr. Lee Burkholder, Clinical Associate Professor
- Dr. Raman Chawla, Clinical Assistant Professor
- Dr. Omar Damji, Clinical Assistant Professor
- Dr. Lorraine Hamiwka, Professor
- Dr. Josephine Ho, Professor
- Dr. Susan Kuhn, Professor
- Dr. Ashish Marwaha, Clinical Associate Professor
- Dr. Shelina Jamal, Clinical Associate Professor
- Dr. Michele Ramien, Clinical Professor
- Dr. Jumana Samara, Clinical Assistant Professor
- Dr. Antonia Stang, Professor
- Dr. Telford Yeung, Clinical Assistant Professor
- Dr. Otto Vanderkooi, Professor

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



Leaders in Laboratory Medicine

#### **ACH Lab Scheduling for ACH Outpatient Clinics**

Effective August 25, 2025, Alberta Children's Hospital Ambulatory Clinics will be responsible for schedule laboratory appointments in Connect Care for appointments beginning on or after November 17, 2025.

Please view the memo regarding Scheduling ACH Lab Appointments via the button below.

**Scheduling ACH Lab Appointments Memo** 



## Fall 2025/2026 CSM Grant Development RISE Program: Call for Applications

The CSM Grant Development Office's RISE Program is now open to CSM researchers at all career stages. The CSM Grant Development Research funding Immersive Support and Education (RISE) Program is designed to guide independent researchers who have limited grant writing experience through the process of developing a competitive grant application.

What are the benefits for participants?

RISE participants will

- hone their grant-writing skills;
- establish effective grant development practices; and
- expand their research funding knowledge.
- With the guidance of experienced faculty members and internal peer reviewers and support from the CSM Grant Development Office, participants will work throughout the 12-month program to develop a CIHR Project Grant application

Upon completing the program, participants will be poised to

- submit their applications to the Fall 2026 CIHR Project Grant competition;
- further develop their applications for a future Project Grant competition; and/or
- apply their learnings to other funding opportunities

While the RISE program uses the CIHR Project Grant as a model, the skills and knowledge participants develop during the program will be relevant to a variety of funding opportunities.

RISE program participants who meet the participant responsibilities outlined below will be eligible to apply for RISE seed funding (valued at \$25,000 for one year).

Learn more here

Apply by September 8, 2025



#### **Seeking Examiners**

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

#### OSCE:

- October 30, 2025 | 12:45pm –
   4:30pm STACER at MedSkills (FMC-Health Sciences Centre)
- November 27, 2025 | 12:45pm –
   4:30pm STACER at MedSkills (FMC-Health Sciences Centre)

#### STACER:

 November 7, 2025 | 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!

### Code Blue Tests

#### **Daily Code Blue tests at ACH**

Message from Krista McIntyre, Interim Site Director

The ACH is currently in the process of installing a new Nurse Call system throughout the entire hospital. For the new nurse call system to be validated, each room that has a Code Blue button must be tested individually to ensure that it works. We recognize that this can be disruptive to teams each day but are also restricted to daytime hours to protect patient rest times.

Due to continued high capacity at the site, it has been challenging to get into some inpatient rooms. While originally the project was slated to finish at the end of July, it is now projected to finish by late-August to mid-September.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

#### **Need a New Headshot?**

If you're in need of an updated headshot or profile photo a member of our communications team can take a complimentary headshot for you on-site at ACH!



We will send you a separate confirmation email once you book your time. Please note that this is for department members only.

**Book here** 

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

Please fill in the form **here** by Tuesday at 11:00 AM for it to be included in that week's issue or the appropriate week's feature.

#### **EVENTS**

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



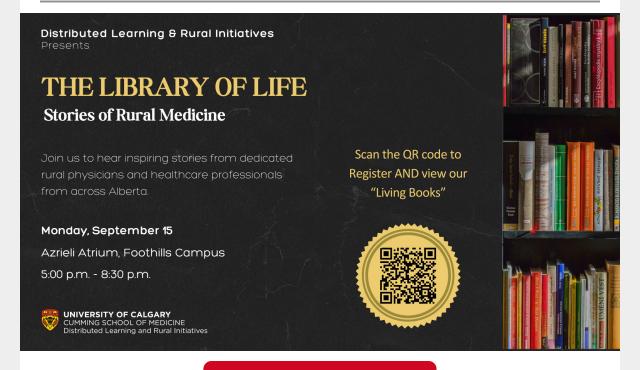


Register here



Calling all pediatricians who want to refresh their pediatric dermatology knowledge! The province of Saskatchewan is underserved by dermatology and pediatric dermatology. In response to this unmet need, our group of Canadian expert dermatologists and pediatric dermatologists have put together a robust program that covers basic primary care for pediatric skin disease that will be delivered in nearby Saskatoon on September 13, 2025. Early bird rates available until August 11, for the intentionally low rate of \$150 to reduce barriers to access. There will be a draw for 20 free resident registrations on site.

Learn more and register here



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#### **UPCOMING ROUNDS**

#### **Neonatal Rounds**

Tuesday, September 2, 2025 | 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Virtual (via Zoom)

Topic: CBC in Neonates: Old Test, New Insights

Presenters: Dr. Marika Kristal Grant / Mentor: Dr. Abhay Lodha

Register here

#### **Pediatric Grand Rounds**

The Pediatric Grand Rounds are on pause for the summer break and will resume on September 10, 2025.

#### **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 Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect (SCAN) Team Physician

FTE: 0.2Type: Locum

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: August 29, 2025

#### **Pediatric Cardiologist**

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Full-time

• Location: Alberta Children's Hospital

• Application Deadline: September 5, 2025

#### **Locum Clinical Geneticist (EXTENDED)**

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Short-term Locum

Location: Alberta Children's Hospital

• Application Deadline: September 5, 2025

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

• FTE: 0.1

• Type: Short-term Locum

• Location: Alberta Children's Hospital

• Application Deadline: September 5, 2025

#### **Pediatric Cardiology Clinical Associate (EXTENDED)**

• FTE: 0.6

• Type: Part-time

• Location: Alberta Children's Hospital

• Application Deadline: September 5, 2025

#### Locum Pediatric Respirologist (EXTENDED)

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Short-term Locum

• Location: Alberta Children's Hospital

• Application Deadline: September 5, 2025

#### **Pediatric Critical Care Intensivist**

• FTE: 0.7

• Type: Full-time

• Location: Alberta Children's Hospital

• Application Deadline: September 12, 2025

#### **Pediatric Critical Care Clinical Associate**

• FTE: 0.8

• Location: Alberta Children's Hospital

• Application Deadline: September 12, 2025

#### Pediatric Infectious Diseases Specialist, AMHSP (NOT LOCUM)

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Full-time

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: October 31, 2025

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

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Full-time

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: Until filled

#### **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

#### Community Pediatricians, Pediatric Subspecialists or Pediatric Psychiatrists

• FTE: 0.2-1.0 Mon-Fri, Flexible scheduling

• Type: Locum, Term, Part-time to Full Time Consultant Based Practice

• Location: Pinecone Pediatrics, 120-255 Nolanridge Crt NW T3R1W7

• Application Open until space is filled

 For more information contact Dr. Martin Gauthier at Martin@pineconepediatrics.ca

#### **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

#### **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 the website or contact Dr. Karin Winston at drwinston@sagefoxmedical.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** 

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