

DEPARTMENT OF PEDIATRICS

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WEEKLY BULLETIN

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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

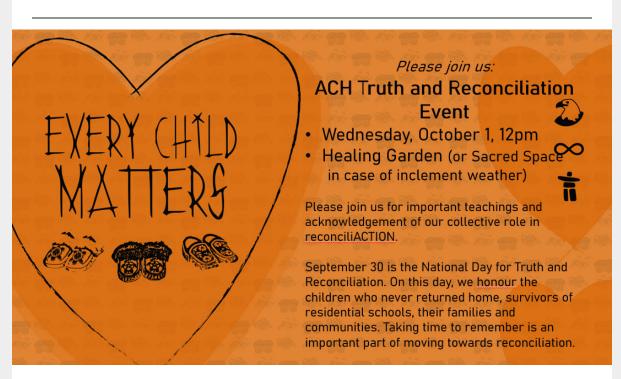
This month's kudos highlights / anonymous comments

Dr. Hannah Lee

"Hannah is a third-year pediatric resident who always does an outstanding job. We have all been particularly impressed with Hannah going above and beyond to fill in schedule gaps this summer, in



addition to her many other commitments including chief resident. Hannah, we see and appreciate all your hard work! Thank you!"



Days of Significance

The EDI Committee acknowledges the Days of Significance as outlined in the PESJO Calendar and the and the Access, Community + Belonging's Days of Awareness 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 pediatrics.comms@ucalgary.ca

The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation | September 30

The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, observed on September 30, honours the survivors of residential schools, their families, and the children who never returned home. It is also a chance to reflect on the lasting impacts of these schools and the legacy of colonialism on Indigenous Peoples, as well as how we can be part of reconciliation.

How is this day commemorated?

Many people wear orange shirts to show support, to remember those children who were taken from their families, and to acknowledge the truth of our shared history. Across Canada, this day is honoured by taking time to listen, learn, and reflect, including participation in ceremonies, educational events, and cultural gatherings to foster awareness and understanding.

How can members of the Department support and commemorate this day?

- Wear orange to show solidarity with the Indigenous community
- Learn and reflect: read, listen to, or watch stories from survivors and Indigenous voices. Learn about the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action and the history of residential schools.
- Participate: at local events, ceremonies, or through some of the webinars, discussions, and learning resources if you are able

• Bring it back to our work: as pediatric care providers, reflect on how we can support Indigenous children, youth, and families in ways that are culturally safe, compassionate, and respectful





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

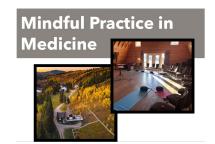
Questions? Contact Chloe de Grood at welldocalberta@ucalgary.ca



The Driveway Debrief from Grand Rounds' Presenter Dr. Rob Orman

Have a listen to this week's Hybrid Paediatric Grand Rounds presenter Dr. Rob Orman's "10 minutes that can change your life".

Listen here



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

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

Do you have a project idea? 2025 Innovation Award

Apply to pitch a project idea for up to \$10,000. Easy webform submission and 5-10 minute presentation.

Project Themes

- Wellness promote department member wellness at work
- Clinical improvements propose a solution to existing issues in a clinical setting
- 3. Education address emerging needs of the next generation of medical learners and faculty
- Research early-stage innovative ideas to kick-start research projects/programs
- 5. Indigenous health advocacy inspire us to think about how we work with Indigenous

Project submission deadline:

November 3, 2025

Presentations (in-person):
Dec. 3 and Dec. 10 2025
*A member from your team must be available to present on both days



Scan the QR code or click HERE to view application guidelines and apply.

Contact Ashton Chugh chugha@ucalgary.ca if you have any questions.



Department of Pediatrics Innovation Award

The Department of Pediatrics is thrilled to announce the return of the Innovation Award! For 2025, individuals or teams will pitch project ideas in-person during Grand Rounds that can be completed for up to \$10,000.

The Innovation Award provides funds to support groups engaged in innovative projects related to the provision of clinical care, education or research within the Department of Pediatrics. Teams from all disciplines, focus areas and project types are encouraged to apply. The Innovation Awards are made possible through an endowed fund at the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation.

Learn more here



Celebrating Dr. Jim Kellner

Friday, September 26, 2025 | 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Conference Room 3

After an exceptional 40-year career dedicated to pediatric medicine, Dr. Jim Kellner is retiring! Since first joining the Department in 1990, Dr. Kellner has made an indelible mark as a clinician, educator, researcher, and leader. He began his practice in Pediatric Emergency Medicine (1990–1993) and after further training, shifted to Pediatric Infectious Diseases in 1996, where he has been a driving force ever since

Dr. Kellner's commitment to advancing medical knowledge—particularly in vaccinepreventable infections—has led to over 160 peer-reviewed publications which have influenced both clinical practice and vaccine policies. His leadership has extended across the Department, University of Calgary, Alberta Health Services, and beyond.

Notable roles have included PGME Program Director for Infectious Diseases, Division Chief of both Emergency Medicine and Infectious Diseases, and Department Head of Pediatrics from 2008 to 2018—a decade marked by remarkable growth in both workforce and services. Most recently, Dr. Kellner played a pivotal role in national leadership during the COVID-19 pandemic, providing expertise and guidance during a time of global uncertainty.

Dr. Kellner's legacy is one of excellence, dedication, and impact. Please join us in honoring his contributions and wishing him all the best as he embarks on his next life chapter!



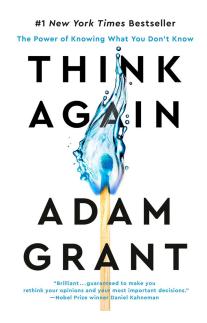
Asking Questions – The Role of the Pediatrician | A Symposium in Honour of the Retirement of Dr. lan Mitchell

Thursday, October 9, 2025 | 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM ACH Auditorium

Sessions will include:

- 1. RSV in Canada: From Epidemiology to Clinical Trials to Prevention
- SIDS and Bereavement: Development of Support and Prevention
- 3. Making a Difference: Ethics, Law and Advocacy in Pediatrics
- 4. Legacy in Action: History of Children's Health in Alberta

RSVP here



Physician Know Thy Shelf: A leadership book club

Monday, November 17, 2025 | 5:00 – 7:00 PM

ACH Physician's Lounge

For current and aspiring physician leaders in the Department of Pediatrics, please join us for our inaugural meeting of Physician Know Thy Shelf.

Our aim is the creation of an environment that fosters peer mentoring and sharing of leadership experiences anchored in a facilitated discussion about a high value book that highlights an important aspect of leadership skill development.

For each installment of Physician Know Thy Shelf, a new book will be selected from a curated list approximately 2 months before the meeting and advertised in the Weekly Bulletin. The first 10 registrants will receive a free hard copy of the book, so don't miss out!

So, without further ado, the first book is: Think Again: The Power of Knowing What You Don't Know, by Adam Grant.

Enjoy reading and see you on November 17th!

Register here

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Message from the Calgary Zone Medical Director | Activation of AGFA PEI in place of the IMPAX system

Effective, September 23, 2025, there will be a new direct radiology viewer replacing the IMPAX system currently in place, ConnectCare access to images will still be maintained.

If you have any questions about these changes,



please contact ProvincialEnterpriseImaging@ahs.ca. If you have access, workflow, hardware or software issues, contact the IT Service Desk online or 1-877-311-4300, option 1, 5."

Learn more here



Important Update for Prescribers | Connect Care Updates

Effective October 1, 2025, Connect Care will no longer automatically print lab requisitions for blood and urine samples ordered from ambulatory clinics and post-discharge. All other specimen requisitions will continue to automatically print. Paper copies are often unnecessary in most situations, as lab orders are accessible to Alberta Precision Laboratories (APL) staff directly in Connect Care, and patients can view them via the After Visit Summary (AVS) and patient portal (MyChart).

We encourage you to view the resources provided here to improve your understanding of Ambulatory Lab Ordering.





- How to complete Ambulatory Lab Ordering video
- Tip sheet
- Dr. Brown's Thrive classes (Lab Ordering)





ACH Immunization Clinic Schedule

Eligible healthcare workers can receive their COVID-19 vaccine free of charge through WHS clinics. When attending a WHS clinic, please wear a short-sleeved shirt and bring:

- 1. Employer-issued ID and,
- 2. Alberta Personal Health Number and
- 3. Proof of healthcare worker eligibility

Upcoming available dates

- October 2, 2025, 08:00 14:30 | 4th Floor Conference Room 4 & 5
- October 3, 2025, 08:00 14:30 | 4th Floor Conference Room 4 & 5
- October 17, 2025, 08:00 14:30 | 4th Floor Conference Room 4 & 5
- October 20, 2025, 08:00 14:30 | 4th Floor Conference Room 4 & 5
- October 22, 2025, 08:00 14:30 | 4th Floor Conference Room 4 & 5
- October 28, 2025, 08:00 14:30 | 4th Floor Conference Room 4
- November 7, 2025, 08:00 14:30 | 4th Floor Conference Room 3



Pinecone Paediatrics Now Accepting Referrals

Referrals can be faxed to 587-885-2768 or sent via Connect Care (Pinecone Pediatrics). For questions, please send an email to

info@pineconepediatrics.ca

Located at 255 Nolanridge Ct NW UNIT 120, Calgary, AB T3R 2A8

Dr. Kirsten Sjonnesen (Pediatric Neurology)

 Dr. Sjonnesen is currently accepting referrals with a focus on functional neurological disorders, epilepsy, and children with neurodevelopmental conditions

Dr. Sarah Hustad (Developmental Pediatrics)

 Dr. Hustad has returned from maternity leave and is again welcoming referrals for children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and other developmental concerns

General Pediatrics

• We continue to welcome referrals for general pediatrics. Pinecone triages by urgency only and maintains a single wait list for all patients—including developmental, behavioural, and school-based concerns. Our current wait time is 2-4 weeks.



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 6, 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!

Need a New Profile Photo?

If you're in need of an updated headshot or profile photo a member of our communications team can take a complimentary portrait photo 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

Calgary Vasculitis Symposium

Calgary Vasculitis Symposium

Thursday, October 2, 2025 | 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

ACH Amphitheatre

Featured Speakers

- Dr. David Jayne
- Dr. Simone Appenzeller
- Dr. Susan Samuel
- Dr. Andrea Knight

If you have any questions please contact Janet Wu at Janet.wu@ahs.ca or (587) 955-7698.

Learn more and register here



HOW TO GET PROMOTED

FOR CLINICAL, ADJUNCT, & RESEARCH (CAR) FACULTY AT CSM

Learn about the NEW & EASIER CAR promotion pathway! We'll give you tips & tricks on how to prepare a strong application.

OCTOBER 27 OCTOBER 29 NOVEMBER 13





https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/office/ofd



Learn more here



Promoting Professionalism Course

The Alberta Health Services' Physician Experience team invites you to participate in a unique learning opportunity that you won't want to miss—the renowned Vanderbilt Health Center for Patient and Professional Advocacy's (CPPA) course, "Promoting Professionalism: Addressing Behaviours That Undermine a Culture of Safety and Respect.

In this four-hour CME accredited virtual course, you'll learn practical tactics to support professionalism in complex environments like healthcare. You'll also learn about Vanderbilt CPPA's Promoting Professionalism Pyramid, a tiered intervention model that helps you choose the right conversation and action at the right time.

This course is available to all medical leaders in Alberta's Provincial Health Agencies, Provincial Health Corporations and Health Service Delivery Organizations.

This is a rare opportunity with only four virtual offerings available:

- September 29, 2025 | 3:00 7:00 PM
- November 17, 2025 | 8:00 AM 12:00 PM
- January 8, 2026 | 3:00 7:00 pm
- January 15, 2026 | 8:00 AM 12:00 PM

Register now to secure your spot, so you don't miss out. Questions? Please send an email to PhysicianExperienceDWD@ahs.ca



RY NETWORK OF WOMEN IN MEDICINE



THE CUMMING SCHOOL OF MEDICINE (CSM) INVITES YOU TO THE SECOND EVENT OF THE NETWORK OF WOMEN IN MEDICINE (NOW). AN INCLUSIVE SPACE FOR CSM MD & PHD FACULTY TO NETWORK, FOSTER CONNECTION AND BUILD COMMUNITY.

Brunch with Dr. Verna Yiu

DR. YIU IS A PROFESSOR OF PEDIATRICS AND CURRENTLY THE PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA. SHE HAS PREVIOUSLY SERVED AS PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES. SHE IS ONE OF CANADA'S MOST RESPECTED HEALTHCARE LEADERS, HAVING SPENT MORE THAN TWO DECADES HOLDING EXECUTIVE ROLES, WHERE SHE IS KNOWN FOR HER EXCEPTIONAL SERVANT LEADERSHIP PHILOSOPHY.

November 15, 2025

10AM WELCOME 10:30AM FORMAL PROGRAM + BRUNCH

@ THE INN ON OFFICER'S GARDEN

SEATING IS LIMITED. PLEASE RSVP VIA

QR CODE OR TO

IBRAHIM@UCALGARY.CA





UPCOMING ROUNDS

Neonatal Rounds

The Neonatal Rounds will be cancelled next week in observance of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Pediatric Grand Rounds

Wednesday, October 1, 2025 | 8:30 - 9:30 AM

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

Topic: Post Intensive Care Syndrome Pediatrics

Presenters: Laurie A. Lee NP MN PhD (Epi) & Gonzalo Garcia Guerro MD MSc PhD

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 Gastroenterologist, AMHSP HENT Clinic

• FTE: 0.2

• Type: Part-time

• Location: Alberta Children's Hospital

• Application Deadline: September 26, 2025

Pediatrician, Diabetes Clinic

• FTE: 0.4

• Type: Part-time

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: October 3, 2025

Locum Clinical Geneticist

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Short-term Locum

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: October 3, 2025

Adolescent Medicine, Pediatrician, Locum, AMHSP

• FTE: 0.1

• Type: Short-term Locum

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: October 3, 2025

Pediatric Cardiology Clinical Associate (EXTENDED)

• FTE: 0.6

• Type: Part-time

Location: Alberta Children's Hospital
Application Deadline: October 3, 2025

Locum Pediatric Respirologist

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Short-term Locum

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: October 3, 2025

Pediatric Cardiologist

• FTE: 1.0

• Type: Full-time

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: October 3, 2025

Co-Clinical Lead, Pediatric Emergency Medicine (EXTENDED)

• FTE: 0.18

• Type: Part-time

Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: October 3, 2025

Locum Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect (SCAN) Team Physician (EXTENDED)

- FTE: 0.2
- Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: October 3, 2025

Pediatric Infectious Diseases Specialist, AMHSP (NOT LOCUM)

- FTE: 1.0
- Type: Full-time
- Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: October 31, 2025

Clinical Geneticist

- FTE: 1.0
- Type: Full-time
- Location: Alberta Children's HospitalApplication Deadline: December 1, 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

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

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