

MESSAGE FROM THE DEPARTMENT HEAD

I want to start by thanking and acknowledging the hard work of all department members and trainees during these unprecedented times in medicine. Despite the current challenges within the healthcare system, the department as a whole is leading by example in terms of innovation and collaboration. We need to continue to focus on working to improve the things in our capacity to change, and not waste valuable time and energy ceaselessly striving to change things out of our control.

We have started to develop our new Department of Medicine Strategic Plan. The departmental leadership and members from the department at large came together in May at an initial planning retreat. However, there is still much work to be done, and there will be further opportunities for everyone to provide feedback on the strategic plan as it continues to develop. Please join us for the first Medicine Grand Rounds of the 2022-23 academic year on Sept 6 for an interactive session focused on developing together our strategy moving forward.

I also want to take this opportunity to welcome all our new faculty members, administrative team members and resident trainees to the department. I look forward to meeting, working and learning alongside you over the coming academic year. To those trainees who are leaving us for exciting opportunities in other parts of the country and beyond, I wish you all much success and career satisfaction.

I encourage you all to take this newsletter (that is full of interesting departmental highlights and announcements), along with a cold beverage, outside to read in the summer sun.



*Dr. Jayna Holroyd-Leduc
Zone Clinical and
Academic Department Head*

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WELCOME TO THE DEPARTMENT

Join us in welcoming the following new members to the Department of Medicine over the past few months

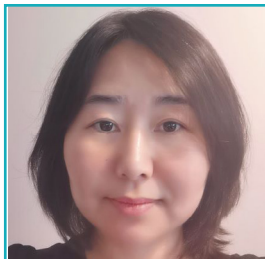


EVA KHONDAKER - NEW RECRUITMENT & FINANCE ASSISTANT

The Department of Medicine and is pleased to announce that **Eva Khondaker** took on the role of **Recruitment & Finance Assistant** as of **May 9, 2022**.

Eva is graduating with a Medical degree from UMHS (University of Medicine and Health Sciences) in June 2022. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Alberta majoring in Biological Science and minor in Classics. Eva is also a published co-author of a Medical Ethics and Biostatistics textbook specifically for students preparing for the USMLE exams.

In her spare time Eva is currently a Podcast host on ITB (Inside the boards), largest medical podcast network in the US. She also loves to dance (trained classical Kathak dancer), loves the gym and all things sci-fi/fantasy related. Her dog Quincy, a golden retriever loves hiking and playing fetch.



ERJIA (JANDY) HUANG – AMHSP COORDINATOR

We are pleased to announce that **Erjia (Jandy) Huang** joined the Department of Medicine as **AMHSP Coordinator** as of **June 20, 2022**.

Jandy was previously a Physician Compensation and Planning Coordinator for the Calgary Zone. She has been with the Calgary Zone PC & P team for over 2 years and has been responsible for processing Calgary Zone physician remuneration and GFT reconciliation, recovery payment and POC payments. She has worked closely with all the departments on physician payment related issues.

In her spare time she enjoys hiking in the mountains and travelling with her two teenage boys.



KELSEY MULDOON – PHYSICIAN RECRUITMENT & PRIVILEGING COORDINATOR

We are also pleased to announce that **Kelsey Muldoon** joined the Department of Medicine as **Physician Recruitment & Privileging Coordinator** as of **June 27, 2022**.

Kelsey has worked as a pension assistant in Human Resources Shared Services for over 10 years. She holds a Bachelor of Management Degree from the University of Lethbridge, holds certificates in Event Management and Project Management from Mount Royal University and has lots of experience managing data and coordinating small scale projects.

In her spare time Kelsey enjoys hiking and travelling, volunteering at AARC's as a dog caregiver and spending time with family and friends.

NEW LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Join us in congratulating the below new leadership positions



DR. JOLENE HAWS - NEW ASSOCIATE PROGRAM DIRECTOR, SHC

The Department of Medicine and the IMRP are pleased to announce that **Dr. Jolene Haws** will be taking on the role of **Associate Program Director for the IMRP** at South Health Campus as of **June 1, 2022**. In this new role, Dr. Haws will provide site-specific leadership to the IMRP at the SHC while providing leadership regarding supervision, scheduling and mentorship of residents within the PGY-4 program of the IMRP.

Dr. Haws is a Clinical Lecturer in the division of GIM and the Department of Medicine site lead for South Health Campus hospital. Dr. Haws completed a fellowship in simulation-based medical education at the KidSIM program in Calgary and has a special interest in medical education. In addition, Dr. Haws has two children, Elliot age 6 and Charlie age 3 that both keep her busy! Please join us in welcoming Dr. Jolene Haws into her new leadership role.



NEW TEAM LEAD, POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION

The Department of Medicine is pleased to announce a change to our Education Team. **Stacey Dickinson** has been promoted to **Team Lead, Postgraduate Education** from her former position of Team Lead, IMRP. This change allows us to bring all the Program Administrators (IMRP and specialties) together reporting to a single Team Lead. We hope this change will help create a high performing team environment and enable superior coverage for vacations.

Stacey has been working in Post Graduate Medical Education for 10 years, with the last 5 years in IMRP. She is passionate about medical education and believes that Program Administrators are an integral part of that. "It is very satisfying contributing to resident learning and seeing them become successful physicians and sometimes even Program Directors". Her cat Zero is her home office buddy and is very needy – Zero doesn't like being too far away from Stacey. Stacey is a rocket launch and space geek, and loves The Calgary Flames, trashy Netflix TV and playing Mario Golf with her family. Join us in congratulating Stacey into her new role.

AWARDS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Join us in congratulating the following members for their achievements over the past few months

Announce Your Awards! Please forward awards and announcements to Pip Hazell for inclusion in future newsletters - Include the Recipient Name, Award Name, Short Description. **Update your headshots on file!** If you have a preferred headshot that you would like on file with the DOM for future use please also forward to Pip Hazell. Phillippa.hazell@albertahealthservices.ca.



2022 CMA F.N.G STARR AWARD FOR LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations Dr. John Conly on being the recipient of the 2022 CMA F.N.G Starr Award. This award is the highest award that CMA can bestow upon one of its members. It is awarded to individuals who have achieved distinction and outstanding contributions in medicine both to science and to medical service in Canada.



2022 CMA DR. LEO-PAUL LANDRY MEDAL OF SERVICE

Congratulations to Dr. Jane Lemaire as the recipient of the Dr. Léo-Paul Landry Medal of Service. This is awarded to a CMA member who has made exceptional contributions to the advancement of health care in Canada. [For full details read here](#).



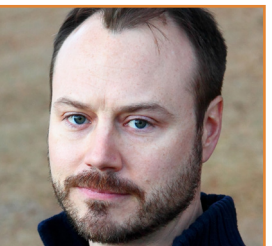
2022 CMA EARLY CAREER YOUNG LEADER AWARD

Congratulations to Dr. Shannon Ruzycki as a recipient of the 2022 CMA Award for Young Leaders Early Career. These awards go to recipients who have demonstrated exemplary dedication, commitment and leadership. [For full details read here](#)



UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION AWARD FOR CLINICAL, ADJUNCT AND RESEARCH FACULTY

Congratulations to Dr. Nathalie Saad on being awarded the Continuing Medical Education Award for clinical, adjunct and research faculty. This award acknowledges significant achievements in 2021 in the area of continuing medical education.



CAHSR-IHSR TOP 10 ARTICLES OF THE YEAR

Congratulations Dr. David Campbell & Team. Article was chosen as one of the top 10 in the field of Health Services and Policy Research. "The challenges of managing diabetes while homeless: a qualitative study using photovoice methodology" July 2021, CMAJ
Rachel B. Campbell, Matthew Larsen, Anna DiGiandomenico, Mareane A. Davidson, Gillian L. Booth, Stephen W. Hwang, Kerry A. McBrien and David J.T. Campbell

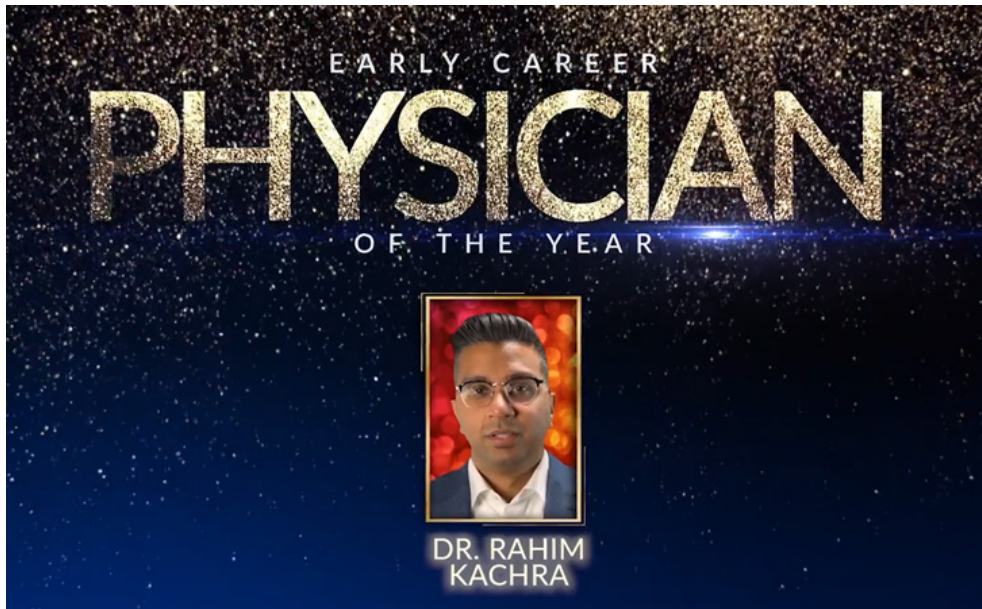
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UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY PGME AWARD FOR CLINICAL, ADJUNCT AND RESEARCH FACULTY

Congratulations to Dr. Paula Pearce on being awarded the PGME Award for clinical, adjunct and research faculty. This award acknowledges significant achievements in 2021 in the area of postgraduate medical education.



FMC MSA EARLY CAREER PHYSICIAN OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Dr. Rahim Kachra for receiving the Early Career Physician of the Year Award. This award is presented annually by the FMC medical staff association to recognize a physician for their outstanding commitment to the patients, staff and students of Foothills Hospital and to the community they serve.

[View Video](#)

CONGRATULATIONS TO MEMBERS ON THEIR RECENT PROMOTIONS

Clinical Assistant Professor

Dr. Megan R.W. Barber
Dr. Kate G. Colizza
Dr. Simardeep Gill
Dr. Tyrone Harrison
Dr. Jolene Haws
Dr. Jesse Heyland
Dr. Laura Hinz
Dr. Fareed Kamar
Dr. Parabhdeep Lail
Dr. Joanne Salmon
Dr. Leyla Samii
Dr. Magdalena Sarna
Dr. Matthew Woo

Clinical Associate Professor

Dr. Erika Dempsey
Dr. Milli Gupta
Dr. Jack Janvier
Dr. Joseph Kim
Dr. Bayan Missaghi
Dr. Anna Purdy
Dr. Ben Wilson

Clinical Professor


Dr. Dina A. Fisher
Dr. Louis-Philippe Girard
Dr. Elizabeth A. MacKay
Dr. Paul A. MacMullan

Associate Professor

Dr. Leslie Skeith
Dr. Aziz Shaheen

Professor

Dr. Cynthia Seow
Dr. Steven Heitman
Dr. Mike Parkins






Department of Medicine Peer Support Team

For questions or a list of the Peer Support Team members contact:
Dr. Jane Lemaire
Peer Support Team Physician Coordinator
lemaire@ucalgary.ca

The practice of medicine is rewarding but may at times be challenging. At some point, you may feel the need to seek support from a colleague.

The Department of Medicine has a group of formally trained peer supporters available as a resource for our colleagues. We encourage you to bring forth **any issue at any time.**

Any of our peer supporters listed on the contact information sheet can be reached through email or cell phone to set up a time to connect.

Department of Medicine 
Shaping the future of physician wellness, together.

PHYSICIAN WELLNESS MEASUREMENT PROCESS

Over the last year, the DoM has worked in collaboration with Well Doc Alberta to measure the wellness of groups of physicians. This helps to establish a baseline and trendable measurement of wellness in the group; is an opportunity for all the members' voices to be heard; provides a summary of wellness issues based on a rigorous analysis of the survey results; identifies topics to work on that could improve wellness; and serves as a wellness intervention in itself to identify issues that impact wellness. Over the last year, 4 groups have participated in this important process, with a goal of longitudinal measurement over time.

T2P RECAP

Over the last year, the DoM hosted 3 Transition to Practice Support Commensality Supper Groups for physicians in the first three years of practice. One focused on being the attending in the inpatient care setting, one in the outpatient care setting, and one for those engaged in research. The supper meetings were well attended and provided a great opportunity to share experiences around the challenges of transitioning to the role of the attending physician.

MINDFULNESS COURSE

Well Doc Alberta collaborated with Dr. Ward Flemons in offering a four week session course around "Introduction to Mindfulness for Health Care Professionals" open to physician members of the DoM. This is an important individual-targeted wellness intervention, supported at the system level by our DoM.

MINDFUL PRACTICE IN MEDICINE WORKSHOP



Mindful Practice
IN MEDICINE



UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY
CUMMING SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Presented by the Centre for Mindfulness



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Continuing Medical Education
and Professional Development

**Banff Centre for Arts and
Creativity**

March 10-12th, 2023

**MINDFUL PRACTICE IN
MEDICINE CORE WORKSHOP
MARCH 10 - 12, 2023 (+4 WEBINARS)
BANFF CENTRE FOR THE ARTS**

Find meaning in your work | Effectively manage challenges in clinical work | Improve communication | Experience clarity and focus | Be part of a larger community | Be more resilient | Listen more deeply | Cultivate compassion and gratitude | Become more self-aware

[**READ FULL DETAILS/REGISTER**](#)

THANK YOU, DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE!

As the MD program at the Cumming School of Medicine prepares for its transition to a new curriculum model, we wanted to express our sincerest gratitude to DOM members for your contributions to the UME curriculum. DOM members have been instrumental in advancing the care of our society through educating future physicians. You have served as mentors, teachers, course and unit chairs, evaluation coordinators, and more! For your dedication, commitment, and support, we are grateful and say thank you!

As our MD training program continues to evolve, we invite you to join us and hope you will consider being part of our next chapter. You can find more information here: <https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/md-program/faculty/job-opportunities>

Chris Naugler, MD
Associate Dean, Undergraduate Medical Education

CLERKSHIP BEDSIDE TEACHING THROUGH THE SUMMER

We continue to recruit preceptors for our clinical clerks' bedside teaching sessions through the summer. Bedside teaching occurs as part of their academic half-day from 1-3pm on Wednesday afternoons at Foothills hospital. The clerks are responsible for identifying patients for their group. If you are interested and available to help facilitate these teaching sessions, please sign up using the Sign Up Genius link below. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4cafad2fa7f85-imclerkship9>

ENTRUSTABLE PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES (EPA'S)

A quick reminder that our clinical clerks are expected to request EPA evaluations from their preceptors while on service. There are 12 possible EPAs clerks may ask you to evaluate and they should be directly observed/supervised. The clerks will submit their EPA evaluation to you via the One45 program. For each EPA, you will be required to state whether the clerk performed the task independently with minimal guidance (entrustable) or if they required frequent guidance (not yet entrustable). A text box is available for you to provide specific feedback. For more information, please see the link below. https://www.imclerkship.ca/_files/ugd/366013_84c911391f4644f8829c0e8b1c9b337e.pdf

ADDITIONAL TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES AT THE UME

The Cumming School of Medicine is currently inviting applications for those interested in pre-clerkship curriculum development and delivery as part of the UME RIME (Re-imagining Medical Education) initiative. Please consult the link below for more information. <https://cumming.ucalgary.ca/mdprogram/faculty/job-opportunities>

Connect Care launched in Calgary on May 28, 2002. We want to express our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who helped with the successful launch. In particular, the Area Trainers, Super Users, the residents and staff at the launch sites and the sites that saw increased volumes due to the PLC EMS diversion and the administrative staff and leadership in the DoM. There are many lessons learned from this launch that will inform the approach to Launch 5.

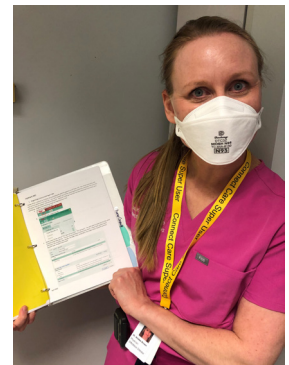
Launch 5 (comprising FMC, Cancer Care, Alberta Kidney Care South, Richmond Road and other clinics) will take place on November 6, 2022. Anyone interested in being a Super User for Launch 5 should discuss with their Section Head.

For more information visit [Connect Care Bytes Blog](#) and [Connect Care Tips](#). Information on optimization post-launch can be found here [Connect Care Manual - Optimization Training](#).

You may also reach out to the Department of Medicine Medical Informatics Leads, Karmon Helmlé and Caley Shukalek, or to Chandra Thomas, the Connect Care Physician Implementation Lead for the Calgary Zone.

LAUNCH AREA TRAINERS

Matthew Mazurek
Steven Thomson
Jennifer Ngo
Ian Scott
Darrel Cotton
Jamil Kanji



Photos: Residents at PLC on the day of Launch | Dr. Kirsten Brown (ID) Super User

LAUNCH 4 SUPERUSERS

Endocrinology

Shelly Bhayana
Christopher Symonds

Dermatology

Michele Ramien

Gastroenterology

Shane Devlin
Bob Hilsden

GIM

Mike Fisher
Jennifer Landry
Meghan Vlasschaert
(ARCH) Parabhdeep Lail

Geriatric Medicine

Erika Dempsey

Hematology

Adam Bryant
Yael Shrom

Respirology

Joel Chen
Jonathan Liu

ID

Kristen Brown
Alejandra Ugarte Torres

Nephrology

Tyrone Harrison
Elena Qirjazi

CIHR TEAM GRANT: CIHR-JDRF TYPE 1 DIABETES AND PRECISION MEDICINE

This funding opportunity will support projects relevant to precision medicine and T1D in the following research areas:

- Research spanning genes, metabolic factors, and physiologic characterization, focused on understanding heterogeneity utilizing new technologies, such as multi-omics and machine learning
- Biomarker validation, standardization, and application to better understand T1D disease risk, development and pathogenesis, including progression
- Characterization of different endotypes of T1D to guide improved clinical care, research, or trial stratification
- Understanding heterogeneity of disease in different races and ethnicities and in Indigenous Peoples (First Nations, Inuit and Métis)

Applications must clearly outline the translational path leading from the proposed investigations to the eventual application of precision medicine approaches. Investigations into the heterogeneity of genetic, molecular, or immunological aspects of T1D must be correlated with clinical data, as appropriate, for the study question (e.g., measures of glycemic control, hypoglycemia, C-peptide, auto-antibodies indicative of T1D risk, etc.).

- Registration is required by CIHR by Thursday, **July 21, 2022**
- Research Services' final internal deadline for the full application is noon on **Thursday, August 18, 2022**
- [Read full details](#)

CIHR CATALYST GRANT: POLICY RESEARCH FOR HEALTH SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION

This funding opportunity supports Policy Research for Health System Transformation grants, including retrospective policy evaluations or prospective policy development/implementation, that generate evidence to inform macro-level policies to support high-performing health care and public health systems in Canada with the aim of advancing the Quadruple Aim – improved population health outcomes, better patient and provider experience, and increased value – and health equity (sometimes referred to as the Quintuple Aim). In addition, it will provide support for a supplemental knowledge mobilization synthesis project to coordinate and lead a synthesis of the policy research approaches used by the policy research teams, the policy issues and their findings/options, to support learning across all teams.

- Research Services' final internal deadline for the full application is noon on **Thursday, September 29, 2022** |
- [Read full details](#)

CIHR OPERATING GRANT: DIABETES, PSYCHOSOCIAL HEALTH, PREVENTION AND SELF-MANAGEMENT

The Operating Grants in Diabetes, Psychosocial Health, Prevention and Self-Management will support research into approaches that will build on successful models of care, knowledge mobilization, and optimization of self-management. Specific to T1D, this funding opportunity will support research that is focused on interventions and models of care that address psychosocial issues and mental health disorders in people with T1D and thereby improve mental health and associated quality of life and/or clinical outcomes. Specific to T2D, this funding opportunity will support psychosocial health research focused on prevention and treatment in youth and young adults (YYA), with a focus on Indigenous and racialized, ethnocultural and low socio-economic status (SES) communities that are disproportionately affected by T2D. Research spanning genes, metabolic factors, and physiologic characterization, focused on

- Research Services' final internal deadline for the full application is noon on **Thursday, October 27, 2022**
- [Read full details](#)

CIHR PROJECT GRANT COMPETITION - FALL 2022

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Project Grant program is designed to capture ideas with the greatest potential to advance health-related knowledge, health research, health care, health systems, and/or health outcomes. It supports projects with a specific purpose and a defined endpoint. The best ideas may stem from new, incremental, innovative, and/or high-risk lines of inquiry or knowledge translation approaches.

The Fall 2022 CIHR Project Grant competition is due to launch on July 5th. While we await the competition details, you may want to mark the following key dates in your calendars. Note that registration is mandatory and will open once the competition launches.

Competition Deadlines:

- Registration deadline: Wednesday, August 17, 2022.
- CIHR application deadline: Wednesday, September 14th, 2022
- The university will have an internal deadline ahead of the CIHR deadline for the full application. This will be confirmed once CIHR officially launches the Fall competition.

If you have any questions about the CIHR Fall 2022 Project Grant competition please contact: Brandi Povitz (brandi.povitz@ucalgary.ca)

RESOURCES

A reminder that there are a number of resources available to you to support the development of your application via the faculty [Internal Peer Review \(IPR\) site including:](#)

- Internal peer review planners to help you plan and prepare for effective internal peer review
- A library of successful applications
- A list of review committee mandates and the names of individuals who have recently reviewed for each committee
- A Guide for Registering and a Guide for Applying will be available on the IPR site once CIHR officially launches the Fall competition
- Past OADR Grant development webinars and slides, including our Black Box of CIHR Peer Review Committees series.
- A budget calculator and other budgeting resources to help you create your budget

PROJECT GRANT FALL 2022 WEBINARS FROM THE FACULTY FACULTY INFO SESSIONS

The Grant Development team will be providing 2 information sessions to help applicants (and teams) prepare for the spring competition. Please encourage any staff or trainees that will be assisting with your application to attend. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing your unique link to join the Zoom meeting.

Session 1 will cover both the registration and application requirements

Date: Wednesday, July 13, 2022

Time: 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

[Register now](#)

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Session 2 will cover only the application stage.

Date: Tuesday, August 23, 2022

Time: 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

[Register now](#)

Contact: Brandi Povitz (brandi.povitz@ucalgary.ca)

PLANNING THE BEST RESPONSE TO AN UNSUCCESSFUL GRANT

Date: Thursday, July 14, 2022

Time: 11:00 a.m. – noon

[Register now](#)

You put your heart, soul and precious time into your last grant application but weren't funded. What do you do now? The OADR Grant Development team will discuss the various pathways you can take to get your project funded, the resources available to help you improve your next application and how to craft an effective response to reviewers. Dr. Catherine Lebel, Associate Professor in the Department of Radiology, will share how she turned an unsuccessful grant around. Contact: Brandi Povitz (brandi.povitz@ucalgary.ca)

PRE-ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR UPCOMING CIHR FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

NETWORK GRANTS IN SKIN HEALTH AND MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY

The Network Grants Competition is the principal means by which IMHA supports its smaller research communities. This funding opportunity will provide support for the creation and/or further development of two inclusive, formal networks (one in skin health and one in Muscular Dystrophy) by encouraging national and international collaboration, methods development, and resource sharing between multidisciplinary technical and scientific experts.

Anticipated Timeline

- Program launch: Early Fall 2022
- Application Deadline: Late Fall 2022

Funds Available: The total amount available for this funding opportunity is \$3,000,000 enough to fund two (2) grants. The maximum amount awarded for the Network in Skin Health is \$400,000 per annum for up to five (5) years and \$200,000 per annum for up to five (5) years for the Network in Muscular Dystrophy. [Full details - see CIHR's Pre-Announcement.](#)

OPERATING GRANTS IN DIABETES, PSYCHOSOCIAL HEALTH, PREVENTION AND SELF-MANAGEMENT (ANTICIPATORY)

CIHR and JDRF Canada are pleased to provide information about a potential funding opportunity we anticipate launching in the near future. While this funding opportunity has yet to be finalized, CIHR and JDRF Canada are providing preliminary information at this time to allow the community to prepare and respond to what will be an expedited process. The Operating Grants in Diabetes, Psychosocial Health, Prevention and Self-Management will support research into approaches that will build on successful models of care, knowledge mobilization, and optimization of self-management.

Anticipated Timeline

- Program launch: Spring 2022
- Application Deadline: November 2022

Funds Available: The anticipated total amount available for this funding opportunity is \$8,000,000, enough to fund approximately 8 grants. The maximum amount per grant is \$250,000 per year for up to 4 years, for a total of \$1,000,000 per grant. [Full details - see CIHR's Pre-Announcement.](#)

CIHR-JDRF TEAM GRANTS: PRECISION MEDICINE IN TYPE 1 DIABETES (ANTICIPATORY)

CIHR and JDRF Canada are pleased to provide information about a potential funding opportunity we anticipate launching in the near future. While this funding opportunity has yet to be finalized, CIHR and JDRF Canada are providing preliminary information at this time to allow the community to prepare and respond to what will be an expedited process. IHR-JDRF Team Grants: Precision Medicine in Type 1 Diabetes will support multi-disciplinary research to characterize disease heterogeneity and accelerate precision medicine approaches for prediction, prevention and treatment of T1D.

Anticipated Timeline

- Program launch: Spring 2022
- Application Deadline: August 2022

Funds Available: The anticipated total amount available for this funding opportunity is \$14,000,000, enough to fund approximately 4 grants. The maximum amount per grant is \$875,000 per year for up to 4 years, for a total of \$3,500,000 per grant. [Full details - see CIHR's Pre-Announcement.](#)

TRANSFORMING HEALTH WITH INTEGRATED CARE (THINC) - IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE TEAM GRANTS

The Transforming Health with Integrated Care (THINC) Implementation Science Team (IST) Grants funding opportunity focuses on improving our understanding of how to implement, evaluate, adapt, and/or spread/scale evidence-informed integrated care policies and interventions that encompass intersectoral collaborations within and/or beyond the formal health care delivery system in order to advance the Quadruple Aim and health equity (sometimes known as the Quintuple Aim).

Anticipated Timeline

- Program launch: June 2022
- Application Deadline: November 2022

Funds Available: The total amount available for this funding opportunity from CIHR, SSHRC, and provincial partners is \$25,250,000, enough to support approximately 12 teams at a maximum of \$400,000 per year for up to five (5) years, for a total of up to \$2,000,000 per grant. [Full details - see CIHR's Pre-Announcement.](#)

SSHRC - INSIGHT GRANT FALL 2022

The [Fall 2022 SSHRC Insight Grants](#) competition will launch shortly. Insight Grants support research that will add to our understanding of individuals, groups and societies or engages communities. Funding is available to both emerging and established scholars for research initiatives of two to five years.

SSHRC is open to projects with health outcomes, provided the primary outcomes of the study advance knowledge and understanding in social sciences and humanities disciplines. Applicants will have the option of selecting the [Tri-Agency Interdisciplinary Peer Review Committee](#) to review their proposal. Applications considered relevant for review by this committee must represent research across disciplines and subject areas pertaining to two or more of the (1) social sciences and humanities, (2) natural sciences and engineering, and (3) health and wellness, and that clearly articulate interdisciplinary approaches.

Upcoming Webinars:

The Research Services Office (RSO) is hosting two webinars on the competition:

SSHRC Budget Workshop: Tuesday, June 21st from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM

- RSO team members will discuss preparing a budget for a SSHRC research grant application (including Insight Grants, Partnership Grants, and Connection Grants). Topics covered include general budgeting considerations, common SSHRC cost categories, matching and in-kind contributions, as well as common post-award questions.
- To join this session, please email RSO (rsogrants@ucalgary.ca) by June 20th to register. You will receive the Zoom link and password on the 20th.

SSHRC Insight Grant Information Session: Monday, June 27th from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

- Please join Dr. Penny Pexman, Associate Vice-President (Research) and the Research Services Office for a discussion of the SSHRC Insight Grant Program. Panelists Dr. Jennifer Adams (Science) and Dr. Tonya Callaghan (Werklund) will speak about their experiences with the IG Program.
- To join this session, please email RSO (rsogrants@ucalgary.ca) by June 24th to register. You will receive the Zoom link and password on the 24th.

Deadlines:

The Research Services internal deadline is expected to be **September 28, 2022**, at noon and that will be confirmed when the competition officially launches next week.

If you are interested in discussing how SSHRC might fit with your research program, please reach out to Clint Westgard.

ALBERTA INNOVATES - ACCELERATING INNOVATIONS INTO CARE (AICE) CONCEPTS

[Alberta Innovates is relaunching its AICE-Concepts program](#), which advances early-stage health research and innovation that demonstrates high commercial potential in priority areas of precision health. The concepts program supports early-stage research projects and seeks to apply computational technologies or techniques for personalized prevention, diagnosis or digital therapeutics in healthcare. There is **\$600,000** available to **support projects over 36 months**.

Deadlines:

- Application Registrations: **June 29, 2022, at 4:00 pm**
- Full Application: **September 1, 2022, at 4:00 pm**

Interested faculty who would like to apply for this competition should contact Adam Kirkby awkirkby@ucalgary.ca.

NEW FRONTIERS IN RESEARCH FUND - EXPLORATIONS 2022

The Exploration stream aims to inspire high-risk, high-reward, interdisciplinary research. Exploration grants support research that pushes boundaries into exciting new areas. Researchers are encouraged to think “outside of the box,” undertake research that would defy current paradigms, and bring disciplines together in unexpected ways and from bold, innovative perspectives. Up to **\$125,000/year for 2 years** (\$100,000/yr in direct costs) is available for each successful project. [Read Full Details](#)

Deadlines:

- RSO NOI: **June 21, 2022, at 9:00 am**
- RSO Final Deadline: **September 6, 2022, at 9:00 am**

Interested faculty who would like to apply for this competition should contact Adam Kirkby awkirkby@ucalgary.ca.

CLINICAL RESEARCH FUND - SEED GRANT COMPETITION

The Cumming School of Medicine (CSM) and Alberta Health Services (AHS) Clinical Research Fund is now open for seed applications. **The deadline is 11:59 PM on July 15, 2022.**

This opportunity will support the Eyes High strategic vision of leadership in high-impact clinical research at UC and promote the objectives of AHS strategy for research innovation and analytics.

Key goals for this fund:

- To increase the number of high-impact, UC-led clinical research studies
- To increase UC's success in attracting Tri-Council funding for clinical studies
- To improve the Alberta health system and the health of Albertans

Applications for seed grants will be awarded up to \$50,000. Proposals may include requests for up to \$25,000 in cash; the remainder (i.e. up to the maximum of \$50,000) may be used to pay for work done in a CSM clinical research facility (Clinical Research Unit [CRU] or Heritage Medical Research Clinic [HMRC]).

To apply applicants need to:

- to submit an online application through the [online portal](#)
- fill out the application form and include the following supporting documents
- CV of Principal Applicant
- Project Summary
- Budget Justifications

Once the application process is completed - applications will be reviewed and a notice of acceptance or rejection will be forwarded to the applicant. [Visit the Clinical Research Fund Website for more details](#)

OADR GRANT DEVELOPMENT WEBINAR:

Subject Matter Eligibility for NSERC DGs

Date: Wednesday, June 6, 2022

Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

[Register now](#)

This workshop is tailored toward researchers in the health sciences who also have a basic science research program.

The Cumming School of Medicine will host a session geared at navigating subject matter eligibility for applications to Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) Discovery Grants. We will hear from a faculty member with experience on evaluation committees about some of the key subject matter eligibility concerns, and how best to address these concerns for individuals who also have a health research program. Questions can be sent in advance to Jenna Slobozian or asked in the chat box during the zoom call.

2022 THE PETRO-CANADA YOUNG INNOVATOR AWARD IN COMMUNITY HEALTH ENDOWMENT COMPETITION

The award is intended to support the research of a young faculty member whose work offers promise to significantly advance our understanding of the determinants of population health and methods to promote behavior modification directed at disease prevention. Preference will be given to interdisciplinary initiatives involving other faculties or educational institutions.

Applicant eligibility: The competition is open to all faculty members at the University of Calgary who have been appointed for no more than six years to a faculty position (including appointments at other institutions, worldwide) at the time of application deadline.

Award criteria - the following criteria will be considered during the selection process:

- Degree of innovation of the proposed work
- Quality of the proposal (objectives and methodology)
- Overall academic achievement of the applicant
- Impact the award would have on the progress of the project.

Amount: up to \$39,900

Deadline: Monday, July 18th, 2022

Guidelines & Application form available at: [CSM Endowment Competitions](#)

END DIABETES 2022 AWARD

The objective of the End Diabetes 2022 Award is:

- To support researchers in the discovery of the biomedical, clinical, health services, and/or population health factors that lead to the onset and progression of all types of diabetes and related complications.
- To develop solutions aimed at the prevention, management, and finding a cure(s) for people living with diabetes.
- Value: \$100,000/year for 3 years
- RSO Deadline for Full application: **July 12, 2022 at noon**
- [Read the full details](#)

CANADIAN BLOOD SERVICES' SUMMER 2022 BLOOD EFFICIENCY ACCELERATOR PROGRAM

The objective of the Canadian Blood Services' Blood Efficiency Accelerator Program is to improve the efficient and appropriate utilization of blood products, while maintaining the safety of the blood system. To achieve this objective, the Program will support innovative research projects that seek new knowledge or accelerate the application of existing knowledge. In the context of this competition, blood product is defined as a therapeutic product derived from the donation of blood or blood components and includes red blood cell and platelet concentrates, plasma and plasma derivatives (including plasma protein products), and hematopoietic stem cells (including those derived from cord blood).

- Value: \$30,000 for one year
- RSO Deadline for Full Application: **July 12, 2022 at noon**
- [Read the full details](#)