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Connect Care Update

Physician Learning Support for Connect Care

Connect Care offers new tools for accessing, sharing and managing health information and physicians will need to learn how to use the clinical information system safely and efficiently.

A mix of in-person, self-directed and case-based modules will take between 8-12 hours to complete, varying with users' needs. Basic training is as brief as possible, with progress to personalization and optimization contingent upon satisfactory completion of privacy awareness training and a competency assessment.

There are no fees for Connect Care courses, certification, resources or supports. As with other Alberta informatics initiatives, financial compensation is not provided for time lost to training. However, physicians will receive continuing medical education (CME) credits and be eligible for Alberta Medical Association continuing medical education program funding. Connect Care training resources are invested in building informatics capacity in physician communities. This allows physicians to train physicians, peers to help peers, and builders to express physician needs.

Physician training slots open well in advance of Connect Care launch in each zone, program or facility. Participating physicians are notified by email and encouraged to respond promptly with scheduling preferences. Once training track(s) are assigned, physicians should complete basic training as soon as possible, allowing more time for personalization pre-launch. Effective personalization makes transitions easier.

Some additional resources to help keep you informed about Connect Care:

- Provincial Physician Updates <http://bytesblog.ca>
- Calgary Zone Physician Website <http://www.ahs.ca/cmiocaz>
- Contact cmio.caz@ahs.ca