

# Medical Staff Update

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## Feature Stories

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### Featuring Physicians and Healthcare Providers: Message from the CMO

I am pleased to introduce a new element to this newsletter — AHS feature stories. These stories will give you a look into the people, projects and ideas shaping our organization today.

I believe they'll add even more value to your reading experience and hope these stories provide both inspiration and tangible outcomes as we continue to navigate the evolving landscape of healthcare together. This new section will be used as suitable stories are available.

If you want to learn more about what is happening across the organization, visit the [AHS feature stories page](#).

Sincerely,

Peter Jamieson

Chief Medical Officer and Vice President, Clinical Operations and Quality

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### Cancer care in Alberta sees advance in radiation therapy

Arthur Child treats first patient with precision focus of MR-Linac technology.

[Read more](#) about this story.

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### Sisters pursue dream of practising medicine in Alberta as international medical graduates

Associate physician role offers a pathway for sisters with medical degrees from Pakistan.

[Read more](#) about this story.

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## Medical Affairs News

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## Register for AHS Improvement Way (AIW) Day on June 11

Discover the power of AHS Improvement Way (AIW) Day, where connection and inspiration fuel your journey in quality improvement.

Whether you're a seasoned AIW practitioner or new to the approach, join us on June 11 for a day of virtual engaging presentations and interactive workshops. Don't miss out on this opportunity to connect, learn, and be inspired.

Learn more and register on [Insite](#). If you have any questions, please email [aiw@ahs.ca](mailto:aiw@ahs.ca).

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## Review the updated procedure for Protecting Internationally Protected Persons such as Foreign Officials and Diplomats

The [\*Engagement of Health Services for Internationally Protected Persons \(IPP\) Procedure\*](#) has been revised.

Key updates:

- IPPs are not granted preferential access to healthcare services
- Consider additional privacy and confidentiality features in the Clinical Information System for IPPs
- Alignment with Health Canada's IPP guidelines

Review the procedure and the [FAQ for physicians](#). Questions? Email [policy@ahs.ca](mailto:policy@ahs.ca).

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## Medical Leadership & Development

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### Share your feedback on the Medical Leader Resource Guides

Over the past year, the Physician Experience team has launched several [Medical Leader Resource Guides](#), which are an educational resource for "just-in-time" orientation to help medical leaders succeed in their roles. Developed with input from current medical leaders and subject matter experts, these guides cover provincial-level topics important for both new and experienced leaders.

Your input is important in helping us refine these guides and develop future resources. Please take a few moments to [complete our brief survey](#) and share your feedback. Your input will directly influence the development of revisions and new resources to ensure we're meeting your leadership needs.

If you have any questions, please reach out to  
[PhysicianExperienceDWD@ahs.ca](mailto:PhysicianExperienceDWD@ahs.ca).

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## Provincial Medical Leadership Educational Series: Mindfulness and Self-Compassion

Join us for the June Provincial Medical Leadership Educational Series, where we'll explore the topic "Mindfulness and Self-Compassion" with Dr. Charlie Chen.

There are two sessions available:

- June 18, 4-5:30 p.m. | [Register](#)
- June 19, 7-8:30 a.m. | [Register](#)

This engaging session will enable physician leaders to be able to:

1. Describe the core components of Mindful Self-Compassion and their relevance to medical practice and leadership.
2. Differentiate self-compassion from self-criticism and burnout, particularly in high-stakes healthcare environments.
3. Recognize the role of self-compassion in fostering psychologically safe and supportive team cultures.
4. Apply foundational Mindful Self-Compassion practices to enhance personal resilience and leadership presence.

These sessions are CME accredited and are open to anyone who is interested. For more information, please email [Mercypina.Gutierrez@ahs.ca](mailto:Mercypina.Gutierrez@ahs.ca) or visit our [Together4Health](#) page (login is required).

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## Register for Critical Leadership Conversations Course Part 2: Accountability Conversations and Managing Physician Concerns

Join us for the second offering of Part 2 of our Critical Leadership Conversations course, running virtually from Sept. 11 to Nov. 20.

This course includes five one-hour virtual lectures with large group discussions over 10 weeks, focused on accountability conversations in the

context of being a medical leader in AHS. Participants will also meet in small peer groups to reflect on key learnings.

The session details and registration information are as follows:

- Session 1: Sept. 11, 4:30-5:30 p.m. | [Register](#)
- Session 2: Oct. 2, 4:30-5:30 p.m. | [Register](#)
- Session 3: Oct. 16, 4:30-5:30 p.m. | [Register](#)
- Session 4: Oct. 30, 4:30-5:30 p.m. | [Register](#)
- Session 5: Nov. 20, 4:30-5:30 p.m. | [Register](#)

This course is eligible for Section 3 CME credits. For more information, please contact Lori Paul at [Lori-Ann.Paul@ahs.ca](mailto:Lori-Ann.Paul@ahs.ca).

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## Resources for Physicians

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### Career opportunities

Practice opportunities across a broad range of specialties are available. All vacant AHS physician practice opportunities are posted on our physician recruitment website, [Doctor Jobs Alberta](#).

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### Support for physicians

The [Physician & Family Support Program](#) (PFSP) continues to offer CONFIDENTIAL services on an individual basis that you can access by calling the 24-hour assistance line at 1-877-767-4637.

AHS also has [resources](#) aimed at offering support to physicians.

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### Additional resources for physicians:

- [CPSA's Physician Portal](#)
- [Cumming School of Medicine Continuing Medical Education \(CME\) Resources](#)
- [How to Access AHS Insite and Email](#)
- [IPC Emerging Issues](#)
- [AHS Physician Experience](#)
- [Physician & Family Support Program](#) - 1-877-SOS-4MDS (767-4637)
- [Physician Wellness Educational Resources: Well Doc Alberta](#)

- [Support Services: Well Doc Alberta](#)
- [2025 APL Lab Bulletins](#)

*AHS recognizes that our work takes place on historical and contemporary Indigenous lands, including the territories of Treaty 6, Treaty 7 and Treaty 8 and the homeland of the Otipemisiwak (Oh-teh-pim-swak) Métis Government of the Métis Nation within Alberta and the eight Metis Settlements. We also acknowledge the many Indigenous communities that have been forged in urban centres across Alberta.*



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Healthy Communities.  
**Together.**