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Feature Stories & News

Prenatal care gets a boost with Medicine Hat Clinic

Expecting families in Medicine Hat are feeling hopeful with the announcement that a family medicine maternity clinic is returning to Medicine Hat Regional Hospital. This solution was developed in response to concerns from physicians and patients about ongoing access to prenatal care for expecting patients. [Read more.](#)

Medical Affairs News

Celebrating Canadian Women Physicians' Day on March 11

March 11 is [Canadian Women Physicians' Day](#)—a day to honour the extraordinary contributions of women in medicine across the country, and right here in Alberta. This date commemorates the birthday of Dr. Jennie Trout, who, in 1875, became the first woman licensed to practice medicine in Canada.

Women represent more than 42 per cent of registered physicians in Alberta, and nearly half of all new physicians in the province. Within AHS, 41 per cent of our medical staff workforce are women. Their contributions can be seen across the system, every day.

Please join us in taking a moment to recognize and thank the women physicians across our healthcare system for their dedication, skill and commitment to patient care. There will be specific [eCards](#) for this day available shortly.

Recognizing National Dentists' Day on March 6

Join us as we celebrate [National Dentists' Day](#) on March 6, a day that recognizes the important role of dentists and oral and maxillofacial surgeons in our healthcare system. These medical professionals provide important services to patients in a variety of healthcare settings, including public health dentistry, pediatric and adult dental clinics, oral and maxillofacial surgery and more.

Join us in recognizing and appreciating the important role of dentists and oral and maxillofacial surgeons by sending one you know an [eCard](#).

Mental Health Act in Practice webinar series

The Mental Health Act team is offering synchronous online sessions: Mental Health Act in Practice webinar series, March 17-19, 2026.

View [upcoming dates and register](#) for information on exercising the authorities and meeting the responsibilities of the Mental Health Act. Three distinct webinars are offered, with multiple sessions available:

- Designated Facilities
- Community Outpatient & Non-Designated Facilities
- Community Treatment Orders

If you have any questions or need a consultation regarding the Mental Health Act, please email us at MHAandCTO.Enquiries@recoveryalberta.ca. You can also visit our [Mental Health Act](#) or our [Insite page](#).

Support Safe Transitions in Care for Medically Complex Patients

Wondering how you can support safe transitions in care? Join the next Home to Hospital to Home (H2H2H) Transitions in Care Talk on supporting medically and socially complex patients, presented by Primary Care Alberta and hosted by AMA-ACTT, March 17 from 12 to 1 p.m. [Register to attend](#).

In this session, we will explore effective approaches for supporting patients with complex medical and social needs through integrated care models. Participants will review real-world program examples and understand how transitions in care influence both patient experiences and system outcomes.

Take a short survey to share your DynaMed experience and guide future access – deadline extended

Library Services with Health Systems Knowledge & Evaluation is evaluating DynaMed, a clinical decision support tool available through Connect Care (EPIC), [Library Services](#) and mobile devices.

We invite you to complete a brief, anonymous [survey](#) to share your experience using DynaMed. Your feedback will help us understand how DynaMed acts as a clinical resource and will inform future decisions about access to clinical information tools across the province.

The [survey](#) takes approximately 5–7 minutes to complete. At the end of the survey, you can also volunteer for an interview and share additional insights about your experience with DynaMed. For more information, please contact Juhina.El-Hajj@acutearealberta.ca.

Medical Leadership & Development

“The Well-Being Imperative for Leaders” (Provincial Medical Leadership Educational Series)

Join us **Wednesday, March 18** from 4-5:30 p.m. for the next Provincial Medical Leadership Educational Series, where we'll explore the topic “The Well-Being Imperative for Leaders” with Dr. Melanie Lewis. [Register to attend](#).

By the end of this session participants will be able to:

1. Describe the current state of physician well-being in Canada and identify key individual, organizational and system-level determinants that influence it.
2. Explain the evidence supporting investment in health professional well-being and articulate the benefits to patient care, organizational performance and health system sustainability.
3. Analyze the relationship between leader self-care practices and the psychological safety, engagement and well-being of the teams they lead.
4. Evaluate how well-being inspired leadership behaviours contribute to reduced burnout and improved professional fulfillment among healthcare workers.
5. Identify and apply practical, evidence-informed interventions that promote health-supportive learning and work environments in healthcare settings.

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

Brain-Based Psychological Safety Leadership

Psychological safety is the number one predictor of high performing teams and results in greater trust, engagement, retention, innovation, courage, freedom of expression, collaboration, inclusion, openness and vulnerability.

This workshop will explore both the well-known definition of workplace psychological safety coined by Dr. Amy Edmonson and the Brain-based definition and S.A.F.E.T.Y model from the Academy for Brain-based Safety Leadership. Beyond understanding the importance and impact of

psychological safety this course will help physician leaders understand their own psychological safety needs, non-conscious drivers and potential impact on others.

When: April 20, 2026 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Where: Room 1004 Southport Tower, Calgary

Cost: \$999 USD

[Register by March 20](#) to attend.

For more information, please contact the Physician Experience team at

PhysicianExperienceDWD@healthsharedservices.ca.

Physician Learning

New Enhanced Skills in Addiction Medicine Program

The University of Alberta is offering a new Addiction Medicine training program starting this summer. The Enhanced Skills in Addiction Medicine (Category 2) program is a 16-week intensive training opportunity for family physicians.

This evidence-based, full-time program provides advanced clinical training in substance use disorders, equipping graduates to confidently integrate addiction medicine into primary care and meet the growing need for skilled, compassionate addiction physicians.

Visit the [program website](#) or contact the program director Dr. Tannis Spencer at tannis@ualberta.ca for more information.

Resources for Physicians

Career opportunities

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

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.

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)
- [Well Doc Alberta](#)
- [2026 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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