



AHS MD NEWS DIGEST

September 20, 2021

COVID-19 News, Resources and Updates

[Information for AHS Staff & Health Professionals](#)

[COVID-19](#) - As of September 20: 282,191 total, 2,545 deaths, and 259,032 recovered in Alberta.

[AHS Update: Measures taken to add surge capacity as COVID-19 numbers continue to rise sharply - CEO Update, September 10 2021](#)

[COVID-19 vaccination records available at registries](#) - Alberta Ministry of Health Albertans will soon be able to have their COVID-19 vaccination records printed at local registry offices anywhere across the province.

[Mobile COVID-19 vaccination clinic keeps rolling](#)

[AHS urges pregnant individuals to get the COVID-19 vaccine as soon as possible](#)

[COVID-19 vaccines, Delta and data — it's all in the math](#)

[Globally, as of 7:03pm CEST, 20 September 2021, there have been 228,394,572 confirmed cases of COVID-19, including 4,690,186 deaths, reported to WHO. As of 20 September 2021, a total of 5,776,127,976 vaccine doses have been administered.](#)

[WHO calls on world leaders at the UN General Assembly to focus on vaccine equity, pandemic preparedness, and getting the SDGs back on track.](#)

[Addiction and Mental Health + COVID](#) - September 15 2021

[COVID-19 public health actions](#) - Alberta Ministry of Health

[New, easy access to COVID-19 vaccination record](#) - Alberta Ministry of Health

[First vaccine doses hit 80 per cent](#) - Alberta Ministry of Health

[New vaccine requirements and COVID-19 measures in Alberta](#) - Alberta Ministry of Health

[Restrictions Exemption Program underway](#) - Fully vaccinated individuals or those with a recent negative privately paid COVID-19 test are now able to safely access participating businesses and events across the province.

[Wave Four: More measures needed and other issues - AMA President's Letter, September 14 2021](#)

[New card-sized COVID-19 vaccination record](#)- Alberta Ministry of Health

[Vaccination incentive launches](#) - Alberta Ministry of Health

[Convalescent plasma doesn't help severely ill COVID-19 patients, Canadian study shows](#)

Physician & Family Support Programs

[CMA - Physician Wellness Hub](#)

[Alberta Medical Association: PFSP](#) - For: physicians, resident physicians, medical students and their immediate family members. CALL 1-877-SOS-4MDS (767-4637) International: 403-930-0529 (you may call collect) CONFIDENTIAL 24 Hours a Day/7 Days a Week/365 Days a Year

Virtual Mental Health, Addiction & Mental Health Information for Medical Staff - Visit www.ahs.ca/medstaff

[Togetherall is a clinically moderated, online peer-to-peer mental health community that empowers individuals to anonymously seek and provide support 24/7. Togetherall is free to all Albertans aged 16+, register using your Alberta postal code.](#)

[Learn how to manage stress in challenging times](#)

National and International News

[Statement from the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada on September 17, 2021](#)

[Remarks from the Chief Public Health Officer on September 16, 2021](#)

[The Public Health Agency of Canada is continuing to advise travellers, regardless of their vaccination status, to avoid non-essential travel outside of Canada.](#)

[Canadians will make health care a ballot issue, new CMA survey](#)

[Fixing the disconnect between locums and the clinics that need them: A locum physician's perspective - Blog](#)

Alberta Health Services (AHS) - *Items italicized are for authorized AHS users only*

[Updates to AHS Physician Compensation - Medical Staff](#)

[COVID-19 - Latest Updates](#)

[Immunization: COVID-19](#)

[Message from CEO Dr. Verna Yiu & Dr. Laura McDougall](#)

Record number of patients in ICU, government introduces new public health measures to ease severe capacity pressures on hospitals

[Message from Deb Gordon & Dr. Sid Viner](#)

AHS Ensures Pandemic Preparedness Through Critical Care Triage Protocol

[Message from CEO Dr. Verna Yiu & Dr. Laura McDougall](#)

Measures taken to add surge capacity as COVID-19 numbers continue to rise sharply

[Sharing the Love: Thanking Our People](#)

[Message from CEO Dr. Verna Yiu](#)

Immunization of Workers for COVID-19 Policy

[Make space for conversations](#)

[Staying well during change](#)

[AHS Interchange - September 16 2021](#)

Alberta Health Services

[New hospital to open doors before year's end](#)

The new Grande Prairie Regional Hospital will open on Dec. 4.

[Calgarians gather to remember loved ones - AHS Safeworks hosts Overdose Awareness Day event in downtown park](#)

[Team tackles overuse of antibiotics, targets urine testing](#)

[Rock-solid artwork welcomes all to gardens at Canmore hospital](#)

[Temporary closure of community lab locations in Lethbridge](#)

[No physician coverage in local ED Sept. 20, 22, 23, 30](#)

[News releases](#)

[Active health advisories](#)

[Alberta Precision Laboratories - Bulletins](#)

Edmonton & Northern Zone News/Programs

[Upcoming Events - Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Alberta](#)

[Four leading researchers named to Royal Society of Canada](#)

Calgary, Central & South Zone News/Programs

[Meet the 2021 Arch Awards recipients](#)

Celebration of remarkable UCalgary alumni marks the beginning of All-Access activities running Sept. 17 – Oct. 7

[In-person classes resume Monday, proof of vaccination requirements](#)

- Message to University of Calgary community from President McCauley

[Wainwright and Camrose area residents now have improved access to addiction and mental health services with the expansion of crisis response teams in their communities.](#)

Provincial News

[The 116th Annual General Meeting of the Alberta Medical Association will be held 7 - 9:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 28, 2021 via Zoom.](#)

[Telemedicine, Continuity of Care & Episodic Care: consultation is now open - College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta](#)

[Update on negotiations - AMA President's Letter, September 15 2021](#)

[Contribute to the Tarrant Scholarship - AMA](#)

[Special RF information session; COVID-19](#)

[September-October 2021 issue of Alberta Doctors' Digest now online](#)

[More surgeries closer to home in Rocky Mountain House](#)

An almost \$10-million project will expand access to surgeries at the Rocky Mountain House Health Centre, providing better access to surgeries close to home as part of Alberta's Recovery Plan.

[More funding to increase health-care capacity](#)

[Emergency Council meeting – Sept. 20, 2021](#)

[Voting is now open for CPSA's 2021 Council Election](#)

[CPSA: More news, events and commentaries](#)

[Public health measures for youth sports, recreation activities: Dr. Hinshaw](#)

Clinical, Research and Education News

[WHO guideline: Management of infants and children at high risk \(excessive adiposity\) and children with obesity for improved health, functioning and reduced disability: a primary health care approach](#)

[The Gairdner Foundation Lecture Series](#)

Recognizing and celebrating excellence in the health sciences: Friday October 1st, 2021 1:30 to 3 p.m. (Zoom webinar including Q & A sessions). Join 2021 Canada Gairdner International Award recipients Drs. Daniel Drucker and Jens Holst to hear about their research which has led to major advances in the treatment of Type 2 diabetes, obesity and intestinal disorders.

[UCalgary lab discovers fundamental mechanism for regulating heart rate](#)

[Biomanufacturing partnership boosts Canada's life-saving treatment and vaccine capacity](#)

[Brain molecule helps 'wake up' cells that could help tackle MS and similar diseases, study shows](#)

[Space designers take flight to test bioengineered knee cartilage in low gravity](#)

[Medical historian Frank W. Stahnisch recognized by Royal Society of Canada](#)

[7 University of Calgary researchers inducted into prestigious Canadian Academy of Health Sciences](#)

[Screw-like Smart Drain invention treats collapsed lungs](#)

[Two UCalgary postdocs receive Alice Wilson Awards for outstanding academic qualifications](#)

Family Medicine News Highlights

[Collaborative Mentorship Network for Chronic Pain and Addiction](#) - Alberta College of Family Physicians

[CFPC Update on Emergency Medicine Exam](#)

[The CFPC re-assesses COVID-19's toll on family doctors one year after initial survey](#)

[Practical Evidence for Informed Practice Conference](#)

Alberta College of Family Physicians
October 22 & 23, 2021

[Alberta College of Family Physicians - News and Events](#)

[Continuing COVID-19 Conversations](#) - ACFP President Dr. Sudha Koppula

Rural Medicine

[Important notice regarding RhPAP's 30th Anniversary celebration](#)

[Health providers collaborate in Worsley to enhance patient care](#)

[RhPAP funds tele-rehab project in Crowsnest Pass](#)

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