

# **COVID-19 News, Resources and Updates - Highlights**

Globally, as of 6:10pm CET, 22 November 2021, there have been 256,966,237 confirmed cases of COVID-19, including 5,151,643 deaths, reported to WHO. As of 22 November 2021, a total of 7,408,870,760 vaccine doses have been administered.

COVID-19 Immunization for Children Under 12 - AHS

### Help Take Down COVID-zilla! - AHS

This fun and engaging journey provides children and youth the opportunity to defend their health, and the health of those around them by understanding the importance of protecting themselves against the COVID-19 beast.

Children aged 5-11 now eligible for COVID-19 vaccine (Alberta.ca)

CMA reacts to COVID-19 vaccine approval for 5 to 11 age group

Statement from the Council of Chief Medical Officers of Health (CCMOH): COVID-19 Vaccination in Children 5-11 years of age

DON'T FORGET TO CHECK YOUR OWN VITALS - CMA Pandemic Wellness Toolkit

Statements and speeches from the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada

SARS-CoV-2 uses sugars to invade human cells, new study shows

Researchers aim to forecast COVID-19 cases further into the future

Computing scientists are developing new AI-powered tools to combat the pandemic by taking full advantage of public health data.

Teamwork in Action: Canada's Vaccine Task Force - Lougheed College Lecture

COVID-19 info for Albertans - Cases in Canada and Alberta (by zone)

Ask a Librarian: post-COVID-19 condition (long COVID) - CMA Joule

An antiviral pill for COVID-19 — is molnupiravir too good to be true?

Proof of vaccination to require QR code on Nov. 15

Alberta receives 5,000 doses of Janssen vaccine

<u>Link between obesity and insulin resistance could hold key to improving immunity</u> against COVID-19

UCalgary study shows why drug used to treat critically ill COVID-19 patients may only benefit males

Research into the way our immune systems respond to COVID-19 reveals the sex of a patient may affect how well drugs work

### **National and International News**

CMA says it's time for action: Federal government and online platforms need to act now to stop attacks on health workers

Global leaders call for cervical cancer elimination on Day of Action

Canada accelerates diabetes research

CMA reacts to decisions by Quebec and Ontario to not require mandatory vaccine requirements for health workers

2021 National Physician Health Survey closes Nov. 26

Dr. Amy Tan on speaking out about race and equity in medicine

Public Health Agency of Canada - Travel health notice: Polio, Advice for travellers

CMA congratulates Dr. Alika Lafontaine, one of Canada's Top 40 Under 40.

<u>André Picard — Covering a Health Crisis, Canadian Institute for Health</u> Information

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

<u>Immunization - COVID-19</u>

## Submit Your COVID-19 Immunization Form

Connect Care: New Wave 4 & Wave 5 Launch Dates Announced

### Message from CEO Dr. Verna Yiu & Dr. Laura McDougall

AHS Update Health Canada authorizes COVID-19 vaccine for children five to 11 years old, QR codes required for proof of immunization - November 19 2021

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AHS Update: Janssen (Johnson and Johnson) Vaccine Arrives in Alberta, Nov.15 Final Deadline to Submit Proof of Immunization - November 12 2021

As of November 19: 331,626 total, 3,211 deaths, and 323,122 recovered in Alberta. - Covid-19 Staff & Physician Resources

## Message from CEO Dr. Verna Yiu & Dr. Laura McDougall

AHS Update: Fourth week of declining cases, get fully protected with both COVID-19 and influenza immunizations - November 5 2021

<u>novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)</u> Immunization FAQ – for Community Physicians

<u>Secret Santa - Holiday Card Exchange</u>

World Pressure Injury Prevention Day

COVID-19 Staff & Physician Resources

AHS Interchange - November 18 2021

AHS Interchange - November 10 2021

### **Alberta Health Services**

# <u>Edmonton Zone OBS-GYN – Maternal Fetal Medicine No Longer Accepting eReferral Advice Requests</u>

Due to the nature and urgency of requests, the Edmonton Maternal Fetal Medicine Clinic is no longer accepting Alberta Netcare eReferral Advice Requests as of November 1, 2021. Please do not submit Advice Requests to this service going forward. For any Maternal Fetal Medicine-related questions or phone consultations, contact the Maternal Fetal Medicine physician on call through the Royal Alexandra Hospital (RAH) switchboard at 780-735-4111.

Important note: Same day referrals/Urgent referrals should NOT be sent via FAX,

and a phone consultation with the Maternal Fetal Medicine physician on call is required to prevent any delays in patient care.

Reminders and tips for accessing lab service in Calgary

Hit hard early in pandemic, senior still in recovery from Long COVID

- Grandpa pulls through with love of family

Temporary COVID-19 testing site closing in Olds

Mobile COVID-19 testing ends in Vegreville

Supports expand for people experiencing family violence

More continuing care beds open in Drayton Valley, Ponoka

Residents in Lesser Slave Lake area invited to an HAC community conversation

Supports expand for people experiencing family violence in Medicine Hat

Pop-up clinic at mall reaches Indigenous families

Edson Healthcare Centre pauses surgical services

Medicine Hat Regional Hospital earns recognition

Red Deer Regional Hospital Centre earns recognition

Skin care vital for COVID-19 patients in hospital

Think you're too tired to cook healthy? Think again

National Philanthropy Day salutes healthcare generosity

Community events in Grande Prairie to raise awareness around addiction

Builders gift to enhance care in Sherwood Park

# **Edmonton & Northern Zone News/Programs**

Influential U of A experts rank among world's most cited

U of A: Fall 2021 Convocation Spotlight: Cole Delyea, '21 MSc in Immunology

Fall 2021 Convocation Spotlight: Alexandra Ouellette Zuk, '21 MSc, Neuroscience

<u>U of A: Fall 2021 Convocation Spotlight: Amirali Bukhari, '21 PhD in Cancer Sciences (Department of Oncology)</u>

<u>Lived experience fuels passion for health research and advocacy in Pediatrics</u> master's grad

Fall 2021 Convocation Spotlight: Shima Shahbaz, '21 PhD in Immunology

Fall 2021 Convocation Spotlight: Pranidhi Baddam, '21 PhD in Medical Sciences— Oral Biology

Fall 2021 Convocation Spotlight: Chalina Huynh, '21 BSc in Radiation Therapy

Family doctor, program administrator and award-winning teacher adds master's degree to her long list of achievements

### Calgary, Central & South Zone News/Programs

50 new youth treatment spaces in Calgary

Construction of the new Centre for Child and Adolescent Mental Health in Calgary is well underway, with completion expected in 2022.

<u>Nursing alumna earns international award for ambitious 50-year career</u> Lucy Reyes is sole Canadian honoured in field of 2021 Filipina women of influence

<u>Survey says: When it comes to anti-racism, we reflect more than we act</u> PURE Award-supported path toward meaningful research was spurred by real-life questions

Calgary Innovation Week 2021: UCalgary at the forefront

#### **Provincial News**

<u>Primary Care in Alberta: Panel with Health Minister Jason Copping & Primary Care Physician Leaders - November 22, 2021</u> (NOTE Date is today!)

2021 Council election results - College of Family Physicians of Alberta

AMA: Social Media 101, November 23, 2021

Effective Allyship: Advancing Women in Healthcare Leadership November 23, 2021

Funding palliative and end-of-life care in Alberta

<u>Update on government negotiations</u> - AMA, November 15, 2021

<u>Upcoming events - Alberta Medical Association</u>

Alberta Doctors' Digest - November/December 2021

AMA - Privacy Training

Cultural differences as barriers to patient care - CPSA

Reflections of Remembrance - CPSA

A Message from Your Council President: The Brain Story

Shovels in the ground for Red Deer recovery community

### Clinical, Research and Education News

<u>Choosing Wisely Alberta: Forum for the Future - Cumming School of Medicine,</u> CME & PD, December 3, 2021

Blood test for breast cancer now available in Calgary

New, non-invasive test developed after clinical research at University of Calgary

Risk of retinal damage for patients on Elmiron

<u>PURE award recipient explores how LGBTQ2S+ youth are faring during the pandemic</u>

<u>Microbiome discovery may open new doors to development of treatments for</u> gastrointestinal diseases

Findings help explain factors behind ability of gut nervous system to be repaired if it undergoes damage

How are diabetes and the immune system connected?

<u>Landmark study points to source of rapid aging, chronic inflammation in people living with HIV</u>

I have diabetes. Here's why I'm glad I live in Alberta

ARCHE provides expertise for healthcare decision-makers

Radon: Is it in your patients' homes?

Just stop talking about weight with kids, says public health PhD grad

Heather Culbert is the volunteer co-chair for the Calgary Cancer Centre

OWN.CANCER campaign – a \$250-million fundraising partnership between

UCalgary, the Alberta Cancer Foundation and Alberta Health Services to support
the best of the best in cancer research, education and patient care in Calgary.

## **Family Medicine News Highlights**

46th Annual Pearls for Family Practice - Half Days November 25 & 26, 2021

The College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC) and the Foundation for Advancing Family Medicine (FAFM) are pleased to announce the recipients of the 2021 Reg L. Perkin Family Physicians of the Year awards.

The College of Family Physicians of Canada welcomes its 2021–2022 President and Board of Directors

Get to know CFPC President, Dr. Brady Bouchard

CFPC Convocation Celebration 2021

CFPC - COVID-19 Information and resources

Family doctor, program administrator and award-winning teacher adds master's degree to her long list of achievements

<u>ACFP needs you!</u> The Alberta College of Family Physicians Board Member Call for Nomination remains open

<u>Heart of Family Medicine Podcast - Episode 18</u> (ACFP)

<u>Constructive Disruption – Innovating Health Care: Considering the "What Ifs"</u> (ACFP)

Financial Literacy for the FFYFP (ACFP)

#### Rural Medicine

<u>Double vision: Medical innovations aim to improve access to eye care in rural and</u> remote areas - CMA Joule

RhPAP is 30 years old! - A retrospective video

AMA Section of Rural Medicine bestows 2021 Tarrant Scholarship

Health services return to rural Alberta town after three decades

Alberta veterans hung up their boots to serve in rural health care

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