



# AHS MD NEWS DIGEST

February 27, 2023

## Alberta Health Services

[Backgrounder: Healthcare Action Plan, Official Administrator 90-Day Report](#)

[90-day HCAP update: Health care wait times dropping](#)

Albertans are spending less time waiting for the medical care they need since the Health Care Action Plan (HCAP) was launched.

[CMO Update](#) This Issue: Reporting Clinical Adverse Events Using RLS; Update to the AHS/COV Hazardous Medication List; 2022 Cumming School of Medicine's Award Winners; News from the AHS Update and more. February 24, 2023

[CMO Update](#) This Issue: Physicians Eligible for Innovation Award, Popular Virtual Care Resources Updated; Support for Physicians; News from the AHS Update and more. February 10, 2023

[Information for Community Physicians](#), COVID-19

[AHS Heal program](#) - Health, education and healing

[LPNs in the operating room a healthy option](#)

["I loved working in a small hospital"](#)

[Pilot focuses on early detection of cancer](#)

[Community labs transition from APL to DynaLIFE](#)

[Information for Medical Staff](#)

[Shigella outbreak in Edmonton Zone declared over](#)

[Upgrades underway within Drayton Valley Hospital and Care Centre](#)

[More than \\$1 million has been invested at the Mannville Care Centre, including washroom accessibility upgrades and installation of a new fire alarm and nurse call systems, the latter enabling patients to alert a nurse or other healthcare staff members if needed.](#)

[Renovations underway at Olds Hospital and Care Centre](#)

[A specially stocked cart and a group of volunteers are helping roll out a new patient comfort initiative for families with children in care at Red Deer Regional Hospital Centre \(RDRHC\).](#)

[Southern Albertans who are having trouble communicating, or who have difficulty with eating and swallowing, are reminded they can book an appointment with an Alberta Health Services \(AHS\) registered speech language pathologist \(SLP\).](#)

[Boil Water Order lifted for Drumheller neighbourhoods](#)

### **Alberta Health Services - Staff & Physicians**

[Message from Dr. John Cowell: Official Administrator's 90-Day Report, Feb 27, 2023](#)

[AHS Update: Funding to support digital health supports, investments proposed to attract, retain healthcare workers - Mauro Chies, Interim AHS President & Chief Executive Officer, Feb 24, 2023](#)

[AHS Update: EMS/811 Shared Response reducing unnecessary ambulance responses, clinical trial using made-in-Alberta technology starts soon - Mauro Chies, Interim AHS President & Chief Executive Officer, Feb 10, 2023](#)

[Interchange Newsletters](#)

### **Clinical, Research and Education News**

[Exploring the link between oral health and heart health](#)

Researcher focuses on identifying the link between periodontal disease and heart disease

[CSM Update: Equity, Diversity, Inclusion & Accessibility](#)

A message to faculty, students, trainees and staff from the Cumming School of Medicine dean

[Celebration of Excellence](#) - University of Calgary Cumming School of Medicine

[Study finds link between fungal microbes in infant gut and body weight](#)

Study led by Cumming School of Medicine researchers shows gut fungi species play role in weight gain and growth in early childhood

[Paediatric surgeon advances anti-racism in health care and medical education](#)

[Inclusivity through philanthropy: Training future leaders of a more equitable health-care system](#)

[Lessons from the heart of the emergency department](#)

Inspired by the desire to support our precious public health system, Shazma Mithani uses social media to educate, inform and connect.

[Community impact drives award-winning health researcher](#)

Turin Chowdhury has spent his career connecting community needs with resources

[2023 ACFP Family Medicine Summit](#)

[March 3-5, 2023](#)

[AMA ACTT PCN Governance Training - Essentials](#)

March 1, 7 and 9, 2023

[4th Annual Artificial Intelligence in Health Care Conference](#)

March 10-12, 2023

[Groundbreaking research program recognized with prestigious Sloan Research Fellowship](#)

[Boost to endowed chair from GSK positions U of A to expand leadership in virology research](#)

## **Provincial News**

[Health care in the provincial budget and election](#) - AMA President's Letter, February 27, 2023

[ARP retro payments](#) - AMA President's Letter, February 24, 2023

[MAPS announcement first reaction](#) - AMA President's Letter, February 21, 2023

[Board thoughts about MAPS](#) - AMA President's Letter, February 20, 2023

[How does the system work?](#) - AMA President's Letter, February 10, 2023

[Federal funding announcement](#) - AMA President's Letter, February 8, 2023

[Record investment in Alberta's primary health care](#) - Government News

[HCAP: New strategy to grow health workforce](#) - Government News

[International experts focus on recovery in Alberta](#) - Government News

The Recovery Expert Advisory Panel will help shape Alberta's evidence-based approach to addiction and mental health care.

[Experts appointed to emergency review panel](#) - Government News

[Minister of Health Jason Copping issued a statement on the two reports released by Alberta's auditor general](#) - Government News

[Improving diabetes care in Alberta](#) - Government News

The Diabetes Working Group held its first meeting to identify ways to improve diabetes care in the province.

[Health Quality Council of Alberta](#) - Government News

[New health advocate appointed to guide Albertans](#) - Government News

Alberta's government has appointed Catherine D. Douglas as the new Health and Mental Health Advocate.

[Expanding access to detox and recovery in Calgary](#) - Government News

[Streamlining nursing assessment](#) - Government News

[32nd Annual History of Medicine Days 2023](#)

March 17 & 18, 2023

[Who you are versus what you know](#)

Hosted by Drs. Ieleen Taylor and Ghazala Radwi, Sponsored by PFSP  
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[Spotting Privacy Risks in Your Clinic](#)

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[Decision-Making Capacity Assessment Workshop Level 1](#)

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[Decision-Making Capacity Assessment Workshop Level 2](#)

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[Consultation 025 update: the revised Safe Prescribing for Opioid Use Disorder standard takes effect Feb. 24, 2023](#) - CPSA

[Medical Matters: A behind-the-scenes look at CPSA Registration processes](#)

[Do you have experience in dispute resolution?](#) - CPSA

[Continuing medical education and professional development opportunities – February 2023](#)

[NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS - Alberta College of Family Physicians](#)

[ACFP: Strategic framework](#)

[ACFP: News highlights](#)

### **National & International News**

[Health care crisis: What's next after Canada's new federal funding announcement? - CMA](#)

[Mpox \(monkeypox\) : Advice for travellers - Government of Canada](#)

[World Health Organization: WHO](#)

### **Rural Medicine**

[RhPAP supports rural health providers at Emergency Medicine for Rural Hospitals event](#)

[Lacombe physicians benefit from EDE Ultrasound course](#)

[Resident physician in Spirit River shares why she loves rural practice](#)

[RhPAP supports six rural nurses at trauma nursing course in Banff](#)

[68th Annual Family Medicine Summit: March 3-5, 2023](#)

### **Links to Journals**

[Canadian Medical Association Journal \(CMA members only\)](#)

[Canadian Family Physician](#)

[JAMA - Journal of the American Medical Association](#)

[The BMJ](#)

[Lancet](#) - Log in required

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