

# AHS MD NEWS DIGEST

March 15, 2023

#### **National and International News**

Health Workforce report recommendations are sound, now is the time for decisive action
Canadian Medical Association, College of Family Physicians of Canada, Canadian
Nurses Association

New national network brings together expertise and experience to tackle long COVID Leading researchers team up with patients to find answers and improve services for the growing number of Canadians living with the complex condition.

Massive efforts needed to reduce salt intake and protect lives - WHO

<u>Countries begin negotiations on global agreement to protect world from future pandemic emergencies</u>

Manitoba CMA members nominate Dr. Joss Reimer as CMA's president-elect

- Canadian Medical Association

Focusing for impact: Upcoming changes to CMA programs and services

Bold Choices: Finding the courage to move towards real action

Canadian Women Physicians Day: The burden of burnout

The gender gap in medicine — for female physicians and patients

Polio: Advice for travellers

Mpox (monkeypox): Advice for travellers

#### **Provincial News**

#### Alberta improves bone care through digital health research

\$9.5 million in digital health funding awarded from the Partnership for Research and Innovation in the Health System program

AMA President's Letters, March 15, March 6, March 3, March 1 2023

Alberta Doctors' Digest - March/April, 2023

News and Events - College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta

Medical Matters: Good prescribing practices begin with good education - CPSA

### New Calgary mental health centre for youth

Alberta's government is providing \$10 million annually to The Summit, a new mental health centre for children and youth in Calgary.

#### Expanding mental health treatment for youth

Alberta's government is partnering with CASA Mental Health to expand youth mental health supports to ensure youth across Alberta can access treatment closer to home.

### Supporting first responder psychological health

Budget 2023 continues the Alberta government's support for first responders and emergency health-care workers dealing with post-traumatic stress.

#### Securing Alberta's continuing care future

Nearly \$4.3 billion in funding will strengthen the delivery of continuing care programs and services for Albertans.

<u>Budget 2023 will invest almost \$200 million to expand post-secondary health care programs to train more than 3,400 additional health care professionals.</u>

#### Budget 2023: Strengthening health care

Budget 2023 secures Alberta's future by improving the health-care system to provide Albertans with reliable, quality health services when and where they need them.

## Budget 2023: Securing Alberta's future

Budget 2023 secures Alberta's future by growing the economy, creating good-paying jobs, strengthening health care and education, and keeping Alberta communities safe.

#### **Alberta Health Services**

<u>Information for Medical Staff</u>

#### Simulation 'delivers' the future of newborn care

Innovative EXIT exercise preps teams for rare high-risk childbirths

<u>Due to a number of cases confirmed in the last three weeks, as of March 9, 2023, Alberta Health Services (AHS) has reopened the Shigella outbreak that's impacting Edmonton Zone inner-city residents.</u>

Connect Care contributes to mental health

#### Alberta invests in modern health solutions

A collaboration between Alberta Health Services and Alberta Innovates will provide funding to university researchers to explore technologies that improve patient outcomes.

More than \$19.5 million has been invested at the Wetaskiwin Hospital and Care Centre supporting a series of enhancement projects across the site, including a major redesign of the emergency department and upgrades to the medical device reprocessing department.

#### Local COVID-19 assessment, immunization centre to move

MEDICINE HAT — Alberta Health Services (AHS) is moving its local COVID-19 assessment and immunization centre, currently located at Higdon Hall (2055 21 Ave. S.E.), to Medicine Hat Community Health (2948 Dunmore Rd.), starting March 13, 2023.

The Summit boosts mental health care for youth

#### 'How do I get my kid to eat different foods?'

Health Link dietitians always on hand to answer your mealtime questions

Social workers complete our healthcare picture

Update on EMS offload - Beyond the Headlines

Boil Water Advisory lifted for Town of Irricana

Boil Water Advisory lifted for Town of Bow Island

**AHS News Releases** 

<u>Community lab services in Lethbridge, Brooks and Medicine Hat have transitioned from Alberta Precision Laboratories (APL) to DynaLIFE Medical Labs.</u>

Specialized Calgary clinic helps prevent sudden cardiac death

NAIT celebrates achievements of AHS' diversity leader

Red Deer rolls out the Comfort Cart

## Alberta Health Services (AHS) - For authorized AHS users only

# AHS Update - Mauro Chies, Interim AHS President and CEO

Work underway to meet EMS hospital time target, AHS wins top employer awards, continuous masking dropped in non-clinical areas

# Message from Deb Gordon, Dr. Sid Viner & Athana Mentzelopoulos

EMS offload update

#### Message from Sean Chilton

Changes to Continuous Masking in non-clinical areas

AHS Interchange - March 9, 2023

AHS Interchange - March 2, 2023

#### Work Safe Blogs

March 14 2023, March 13 2023, March 6 2023, March 1 2023

Two-Spirit & Indigiqueer Button Design Contest

# This Week's Insite Tip: Personalized Wellness Support

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Insite tips and tricks - Archive

#### Code Orange - Mass Casualty Incident

The Code of the Month for March is Mass Casualty Incident

What's your balance? 2023

COVID-19 Updates

#### Connect Care Launch 6

Launch 6 of Connect Care will take place on May 6, 2023. This launch includes AHS urban and rural sites in North, Edmonton, Central, Calgary, and South Zones, as well as four Covenant Health acute care facilities.

**Awards & Recognition Wall** 

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

# Emergency department visits for attempted suicides rose globally among youth during pandemic

UCalgary-led study represents over 11 million paediatric emergency department visits across 18 countries

Women's Cardiovascular Health Initiative - Libin

# Taking vitamin D could help prevent dementia, study finds

University of Calgary launches national research project to discover more insights to protect the brain while we age

Who's Afraid of Cancer?

#### Asthma rates rise in Alberta, but medication use flatlines: study

Doctors and patients need to learn more about how to control symptoms, avoid severe disease and reduce strain on emergency departments, study suggests.

UCalgary students divert 2,000-plus pounds of lab Styrofoam from landfill

## <u>Groundbreaking research program recognized with prestigious Sloan Research</u> Fellowship

Neural stem cell biologist Anastassia Voronova recognized for promising research toward discovering the causes and regenerative therapies for neurological diseases like multiple sclerosis.

#### U of A to lead new Prairie research hub for pandemic preparedness

Federal initiative brings together university and industry expertise and facilities from Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba to fast-track co-operative projects.

## Exercise benefits a key heart health factor in postmenopausal women

Research review highlights marked improvement in endothelial function, which helps prevent plaque from building up in arteries.

#### <u>Living well — and dying well — with schizophrenia</u>

Researcher pushes for better palliative care for people with chronic mental health conditions.

#### **Family Medicine News Highlights**

<u>Alberta College of Family Physicians - 2022, Year in Review</u>

ACFP's Future of Family Medicine: A strategic vision, 2023

<u>Celebrate your peers by nominating them for an Award! The ACFP 2023 Award nomination deadline has been extended to April 16.</u>

#### **Rural Medicine**

Why you should be a rural preceptor

Rolling out the welcome mat for medical learners in Brooks

Growing the next generation of health professionals in the Athabasca/Boyle area

Students "Go rural!" for comprehensive medical training

#### **Archives**

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