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[Connect Care now in more sites, programs across Alberta](#)
May 6, 2023, 23,500+ staff, physicians, other healthcare providers involved in Launch 6

[AHS is focused on making fast, effective improvements to our four key priority areas.](#)

[Edmonton stroke program garners national recognition](#)

[CMO Update, Dr Francois Belanger, VP, Quality & CMO, April 21, 2023](#)

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[Pertussis outbreak now zone-wide in South Zone](#)

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[App connects patients to care teams during recovery](#)

Study weighs merits of post-op app for safer healing at home.

[Nursing staff at the Red Deer Regional Hospital Centre \(RDRHC\) are providing a new way of supporting pediatric patients while they receive care in the Emergency Department.](#)

[Red Deer marks decade of simulation-based education](#)

[Patients get new hips without the hospital stay](#)

[Like mother, like daughter - Nursing opportunities at Royal Alex attracted family duo](#)

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[Blue-green algae \(cyanobacteria\) bloom advisory issued for Muriel Lake](#)

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[Consider the effects, risks of cannabis before using](#)

[New physician to begin practicing in Lloydminster](#)

[New anesthesiologists now practising in Red Deer](#)

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If you would like to receive a weekly AHS update in your email, you can subscribe to Together4Health Headlines by sending an email with the subject line "subscribe me" to community.engagement@ahs.ca Together4Health Headlines is a weekly e-newsletter that captures all of the pandemic updates and provides additional news you can use and information on opportunities to engage with AHS.

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Sincere thanks to all involved in wildfire response*](#)

[*Message from AHS President & CEO Mauro Chies
Connect Care Launch 6 is Live*](#)

[*Message from CEO Mauro Chies AHS Update: May 5, 2023*](#)

Patients evacuated from Drayton Valley hospital over wildfire concerns, Connect Care Launch 6 scheduled for tomorrow.

[*Message from AHS Official Administrator Dr. John Cowell and AHS President & CEO Mauro Chies*](#)

AHS shows improvement in priority areas, April 26, 2023

[*Message from CEO Mauro Chies: New inter-facility ambulances roll out in Central Zone, additional funding announced to expand surgical and DI capacity, AHS celebrates our volunteers - AHS Update, April 21, 2023*](#)

[*Interchange newsletter, April 27, 2023*](#)

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[*What's your balance? 2023*](#)

[*Awards & Recognition Wall*](#)

[*Work Safe Blog: You can always find hope*](#)

Provincial News

[*Update 4: Alberta wildfire situation \(May 7, 6:10 p.m.\) - Government of Alberta*](#)

[Alberta wildfire evacuation information](#) - CPSA

[Message re wildfires from AMA](#)

May 6, 2023, UPDATED May 8, 2023

[AMA President's Letter, May 5, 2023 - Election issue 6: Drug Poisoning Crisis](#)

[National Physicians Day - May 1, 2023, Alberta Medical Association \(AMA\)](#)

[Handle With Care](#)

[How will we fix what's ailing our health care system?](#)

[Family medicine spots still unfilled in Alberta](#) -AMA President's Letter, April 27, 2023

[MAPS final reports: Statement from Minister Copping](#)

Minister of Health Jason Copping issued a statement on receiving the final reports from the Modernizing Alberta's Primary Health Care System (MAPS) panels

[Health Care Action Plan: Faster access to emergency care and surgeries](#)

Albertans are seeing ambulances arriving sooner and shorter wait times for surgeries and emergency care.

[Work begins on Rockyview General Hospital](#)

Calgary residents with serious heart conditions will soon have better access to coronary and intensive care now that construction to redevelop the Rockyview General Hospital has begun on three projects.

[Adding more beds at children's hospitals](#)

Budget 2023 adds \$12 million for new beds and dedicated staff to provide better access to pediatric hospital care.

[Cancer Surgeries: Minister Copping](#)

Minister of Health Jason Copping issued a statement on April 21st correcting incorrect information about cancer surgeries performed in Alberta

[Expanding capacity at Chinook Regional Hospital](#)

Alberta's government is expanding services and surgical capacity at the Chinook Regional Hospital to improve health care capacity for Lethbridge and area residents.

[Better access to CT and MRI scans for Albertans](#)

Alberta's government is taking additional action to expand capacity for patients waiting for medical imaging so Albertans can get the care they need when they need it.

[Your AMA Section: Three question survey](#)

[Celebrating National Physicians' Day; initial thoughts on MAPS statement - AMA President's Letter, May 1, 2023](#)

[Do you prescribe antibiotics? Want to know more about antimicrobial resistance? The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta wants to hear from you](#)

[Indigenous Health](#) - The [Handle with Care](#) election information program explores Indigenous health - AMA President's Letter, April 28, 2023

[Rural Health Care](#) - The [Handle with Care](#) election information program explores Rural Health Care - AMA President's Letter, April 21, 2023

[Queen's Platinum Jubilee Medal](#) - AMA President's Letter, April 24, 2023

[Funds offered through CII/CPAR Acceleration Grant now available](#) - AMA President's Letter, April 24, 2023

[The Joint Physician Advocacy Committee Gratitude Program - AMA, April 20, 2023](#)

National and International News

[CMA statement on end of the COVID-19 global health emergency](#)

[Physician mobility gains momentum across Canada with expanding support](#)

[Statement by CMA president Dr. Alika Lafontaine on National Physicians' Day](#)

[National Physicians' Day: The best thank you is action](#)

[2023 CMA Awards recipients](#)

[Fireside chats on Indigenous health](#)

Change starts with open conversation. This spring, CMA President Dr. Alika Lafontaine is leading a series of intimate discussions with Indigenous patients, providers and leaders on how we can move forward, together, on reconciliation.

[Canadian Medical Association: Our focus - Change is possible](#)

[Government of Canada invests \\$8.5 million to the Canadian Red Cross to support the mental health of people across the country](#)

[WHO launches new initiative to improve pandemic preparedness](#)

[Government of Canada invests \\$6.5 million in research to support the health and mental wellbeing of young children](#)

[Mpox \(monkeypox\): Advice for travellers](#)

[Community care helping to drive small improvements in access to palliative care for Canadians](#)

Clinical, Research and Education News

[Researchers pinpoint neurochemical marker linked with loss of motor function in ALS](#)

[University of Calgary awarded largest research grant in its history](#)
One Child Every Child to transform the lives of all our kids.

['Think about how many years you can still devote to whatever it is you're passionate about'](#)

Top 7 Over 70 award winner Bonnie Kaplan shares her wisdom; 2023 nominations open until June 14

[What do innovators look like? They look like you](#)

Evolve to Innovate Program celebrates variety of ways researchers can innovate, with evening of celebration, prizes and community.

[UCalgary researcher pioneers artificial intelligence techniques to improve disease detection](#)

[UCalgary cardiovascular health researchers recognized nationally for advancing inquiry and knowledge of women-specific heart health issues](#)

[Are you under digital distress? 3 ways tech-triggers may be affecting your mental health](#)

[RESTORE Network combines research with innovative technologies for people with neurological disorders](#)

Network is already improving the quality of life for people living with spinal cord injury, stroke and movement impairments.

[New funding of \\$3.14M to expand University of Alberta's SMART network into a national platform](#)

[UCalgary Master of Physician Assistant program funded by province](#)

[Teamwork and tools key to successful cardiac procedures](#)

[Community health fair provides culturally safe and inclusive health care](#)

[Genetic testing offers insight to improve care for youth living with autism spectrum disorder, says psychiatry researcher](#)

[The Sex Talk for Everyone](#)

[UCalgary to partner in new research centre at Alberta Children's Hospital](#)
Centre will help reduce the time it takes for discoveries in the lab to impact child patient care.

[UCalgary 3MT returns to in-person finals for 1st time since 2019](#)
Annual graduate research communications competition sees talks on artificial intelligence in health care, moving beyond a meat-based diet, the consequences of seismic activity, and more.

[Giving Day - University of Calgary](#)

Better health and health care
Cumming School of Medicine

[The formidable woman who inspired RESTORE Network's neurorehabilitation research](#)

[Digital health project looks for enthusiastic UCalgary students to help those with Parkinson's](#)

[What else is in a flush? UCalgary researchers are going to find out](#)
Researchers awarded \$6M to expand successful COVID-19 wastewater monitoring program to detect a wider range of viruses.

[Alberta physicians have access to a new practice improvement tool](#)
Introducing MyPI, a new tool developed by physicians for physicians.

[Accomplished researcher, engaging science communicator Tim Caulfield to receive honorary degree](#)

Family Medicine & Rural Medicine

[Celebrate World Family Doctor Day - May 19, 2023, with the Alberta College of Family Physicians](#)

[2022 YEAR IN REVIEW - ACFP](#)

[ACFP: President's Message: April 2023](#)

[RhPAP is looking for its next great Board member!](#)

[Results of the June 2022 CFPC Members Survey on COVID-19](#)

[Preparing future family physicians - resources for family medicine residents](#)

[Upcoming webinars](#)

[FMF LOVED. Anytime. Anywhere.](#)

[Chaten Jessel was attracted to medicine by the opportunity to support people in their rural health journey](#)

[Cowgirl from Warner trades her cattle prod for a stethoscope](#)

[ACFP - Strategic framework 2023](#)

[FFYFP \(First Five Years of Family Practice\) Blog: Five Tips to Leave by Five](#)

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