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National & International News

[Government of Canada Introduces Legislation for First Phase of National Universal Pharmacare &](#)

[Backgrounder: Universal Access to Contraception &](#)

[Backgrounder: Universal Access to Diabetes Medications, and Diabetes Device Fund for Devices and Supplies](#)

[Canadian Pharmacists Association responds to new pharmacare legislation, call for inclusion of pharmacists in new pharmacare expert committee](#)

[CMA strongly opposes government efforts to restrict access to care](#)

[Administrative burden is driving physician burnout, and puts access to care at risk](#)

- Canadian Medical Association (CMA)

[Inclusion of noncommunicable disease care in response to humanitarian emergencies will help save more lives - WHO](#)

[Health care in Canada is in crisis: Pre-Budget Submission: Budget 2024](#)

- The College of Family Physicians of Canada

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

- Public Health Agency of Canada, Updated: February 20, 2024

Provincial News

[News coverage: Local Doctors, Local Issues, Alberta Medical Association](#)

[Budget 2024: Putting Albertans and Alberta families first - Government of Alberta](#)

- Budget 2024 is a responsible plan that puts Albertans and their families first by investing in strong health care, a modern education system and supports to keep life affordable.

[Countdown to Budget 2024, February 15, 2024](#)

- AMA President's Letter

[Investing in a new Stollery Children's Hospital](#)

- Government of Alberta

[Medical Record Keeping, March 19 and June 20, 2024,](#)

- University of Calgary, Cumming School of Medicine

[Clinical Reasoning Course, March 20 and June 19, 2024](#)

- University of Calgary, Cumming School of Medicine

[ATLS: Rural offering of Advanced Trauma Life Support course](#)

- April 12 & 13, 2024

[33rd Annual History of Medicine Days Conference](#)

- March 15 & 16, 2024

[Media Relations 201](#)

- 2024 dates: March 7, May 9, September 12 and December 5

[Investing in Alberta's emergency services](#)

- Medical first responder (MFR) agencies across the province will receive targeted funding to support the highest quality of emergency care in Alberta communities.
- Government of Alberta

[Consultation 028 update - College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta](#)

[Continuing medical education and professional development opportunities – February 2024](#)

[What do PPIP and MD Snapshot-Prescribing have in common?](#) - CPSA

[Health Canada Summary Safety Review: Colistin](#) - CPSA

[Medical Matters: Highlighting the importance of annual renewal](#) - CPSA

[Caring for others without losing yourself](#)

- Led by Kristin Neff PhD and sponsored by PFSP, A recording of this session is available to AMA members until March 14, 2024.

[Alberta respiratory virus dashboard](#)

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

[AHS Update: Additional funding for medical first responder agencies, progress made in hiring internationally educated nurses, vacation reminder for non-unionized employees](#)

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[New technology helps diagnose unexplained chest pain](#)

[Presence of loved ones a powerful force for healing](#)

- Designated family support persons improve patient experience and outcomes.

[Enhanced Lipid Reporting calculates risk factors for heart attack and stroke](#)

[Community Engagement team connects with major award](#)

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[Work Safe Blog: Pumping iron builds community](#)

[AHS Workforce Discount Program](#)

[Awards and Recognition Wall](#)

[Laboratory Bulletins - Healthcare Providers](#)

[This Week's Insite Tip: Update Your Staff Directory Profile](#)

[There's no placement like Two Hills](#)

- Portage College LPN students love learning on their feet in a rural setting.

[Hope and healing get physical at Alberta Hospital Edmonton](#)

[Fort Mac residents can now get new knees close to home](#)

Alberta Health Services - Provincial and regional news

[Medical staff update](#)

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[Take a virtual walk through Calgary's new cancer centre](#)

- AHS unveils 360-degree photo tour of high-tech Arthur Child facility.

[Baby Eddie becoming a good listener](#)

- Early Hearing Detection Program sees babies meet developmental milestones.

[Lipid screening saves lives](#)

- Genetic testing and treatment prevent coronary heart disease early in life.

[Make sure childhood immunizations are up-to-date.](#)

[AHS parking fees to change April 1](#)

- Fees pay for parking structure maintenance and new builds

[Warm welcome makes all the difference for newcomers](#)

- Valleyview and Fox Creek teams strive to make Domestic Internationally Educated Nurses feel at home

[Together4Health Headlines - Health News You Can Use](#)

- A biweekly e-newsletter designed to keep you informed of decisions being made to protect and support Albertans, key public health information, and opportunities for you to connect with AHS...

[News and events: Medical Staff](#)

Clinical, Research and Education News

[Serious bacterial infections causing pneumonia, meningitis are on the rise in Alberta](#)

[ULethbridge-led study finds multi-nutrients can have a beneficial effect on ADHD](#)

[New class of antivirals works against broad range of RNA viruses including SARS-CoV-2: UAlberta study](#)

[Cardiac-resynchronization defibrillators still saving lives after 14 years](#)

Long-term followup study reveals "tremendous survival advantage" of combining biventricular pacemakers with simpler implantable cardioverter-defibrillators for eligible heart failure patients.

[Passionate teachers of medicine to receive CAME awards](#)

- UAlberta Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry members to be honoured by the Canadian Association for Medical Education.

[Portable ultrasound tool uses AI to detect arm fractures more quickly](#)

- Alberta Innovates funds new project that could shorten wait times and save costs in emergency departments.

[Beyond treatment: online wellness program 'a game-changer,' say patients](#)

- Participants living with chronic conditions adopt new daily coping and movement habits after taking the 12-week EMPOWER program.

[Researchers seek clues to how monkeypox virus may infiltrate brain cells](#)

- U of A team first to examine possible pathway for neurological symptoms associated with global outbreak of mpox disease.

[U of A research team uncovers universal code driving formation of all cell membranes](#)

[Jeremies Ibanga receives Personnel Award for Black Scholars](#)

[Ibrahim Khodabocus receives Personnel Award for Black Scholars](#)

[Catching up with the Black Medical Students' Association](#)

[Researchers find new way to deliver treatment to infants at risk of cerebral palsy](#)

[Undergraduate Medical Education Accreditation](#)

- Cumming School of Medicine

[UCalgary professor aims to level the playing field for Indigenous organ transplant and donations](#)

- Online event Feb. 27 addresses barriers for First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples

[A slam dunk for knowledge translation at UCalgary](#)

[Forward-thinking solutions and prevention strategies for diverse medical conditions inspire 3 UCalgary PhD students](#)

[Chance to shadow a researcher for a day inspired a heart for women's health](#)

- Roopinder Sandhu to lead Libin Institute's Women's Cardiovascular Health Initiative and clinic.

[Clinical nurse specialist Karen Wiens reflects on impact of Libin Institute over past 20 years](#)

[Alberta Childrens Hospital Research Institute - Events](#)

Family Medicine & Rural Medicine

[Rural communities face greater risks of radon exposure compared to urban areas](#)

[Time to streamline federal forms](#)

- College of Family Physicians of Canada

[Decreasing Administrative Burden – Update](#)

- Advocacy, Featured Stories, News and Events
- Alberta College of Family Physicians

[Celebrate Excellence in Family Medicine](#)

- Recognize your peers, clinics, and rising stars in family medicine by nominating them for an ACFP Award! Deadline to submit nominations for the 2024 ACFP Awards is April 1, 2024

[President’s Message – February 2024](#)

- Featured Stories, News and Events, President's Messages, Alberta College of Family Physicians

[FFYFP Blog – Finding Love for Your Practice](#)

- Featured Stories, First Five, News and Events, Alberta College of Family Physicians

[The 31st Annual Rural and Remote Medicine Conference - April 18 - 20, 2024, Edmonton](#)

[Family Medicine Summit 2024, March 1-3, 2024, Banff, Alberta \(Note dates!\)](#)

[Enhancing Rural Trauma Care: RhPAP Bursary for STARS Training](#)

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