



AHS MD NEWS DIGEST

April 22, 2021

National and International News

[Globally, as of 6:02pm CEST, 22 April 2021, there have been 143,445,675 confirmed cases of COVID-19, including 3,051,736 deaths, reported to WHO. As of 22 April 2021, a total of 889,990,259 vaccine doses have been administered.](#)

[Coronavirus disease \(COVID-19\): Outbreak update, Government of Canada, April 22 2021](#)

[Calling on leaders to enhance rural patient transfers across all provinces and territories - College of Family Physicians of Canada](#)

[Federal Budget 2021 misses the opportunity to strengthen primary care - CFPC](#)

[Federal budget misses opportunity to set a new course for health care](#)

[CMA calls for extraordinary measures as pandemic surpasses critical point](#)

[Public Health Agency of Canada](#)

[Pandemic COVID-19 all countries: avoid non-essential travel outside Canada - April 22 Update](#)

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

[As of April 22: 177,087 total, 2,054 deaths, and 155,851 recovered in Alberta COVID-19, Latest updates](#)

[Connect Care Wave 3 has Launched](#)

[Immunization - COVID-19 - Latest updates](#)

[Message from CEO Dr. Verna Yiu & Dr. Laura McDougall](#)

AstraZeneca-linked blood clot confirmed in Alberta - April 17 2021

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AHS Update: Another weekly spike in new and active cases, please sign up for immunization if you are eligible - April 16 2021

[Message from CEO Dr. Verna Yiu & Dr. Laura McDougall](#)

Rollout of Phase 2C for Healthcare Workers - April 10 2021

[Message from Dr. Ted Braun, Deb Gordon & Dr. Francis Belanger](#)

Ophthalmology Chartered Surgical Facility Expansion Request for Proposals

Provincial News

[Update on COVID-19 – April 22, 2021](#)

Alberta's chief medical officer of health and officials provide an update on COVID-19 and the ongoing work to protect public health.

[Discussion with Minister, federal COVID support](#) - AMA President's Letter, April 19 2021

[Vaccine in community clinics, a shout out to Laboratory Medicine](#) - AMA President's Letter, April 14 2021

[Reporting on feedback, fixing virtual care](#) - AMA President's Letter, April 13 2021

[A boost to offset escalating tuition fees: read testimonies from two grateful students](#) - AMA

[Alberta Respiratory Center Education Update](#)

Friday, April 30, 2021

[Decolonizing Evidence-Based Medicine](#)

May 1, 2021

[Tropical and Geographic Medicine Intensive Short Course](#)

University of British Columbia

May 3-7, 2021

Clinical, Research and Education News

[Causal link found between food allergies and changes to infant gut bacteria due to method of childbirth, mother's ethnicity](#)

Babies born by caesarean section to mothers of Asian descent are eight times more likely to develop peanut allergy by age three, study shows.

[Innovative fitness program encourages kids with heart disease or transplants to train safely at home](#)

[U of A developed phone app helps youth impacted by anxiety](#)

[Students' innovative idea could help prevent fentanyl overdoses](#)

[U of A researchers aim to prevent muscle wasting that causes many cancer deaths](#)

[Researchers modelling full impact of pandemic restrictions to prepare for next public health crisis](#)

[U of A research could help diagnose prostate cancer severity more accurately](#)

[More nuanced approach needed in deciding who gets COVID-19 vaccine amid third wave, say experts](#)

[Common medication used to treat patients following COVID-19 may benefit them by reducing virus target cells](#)

[Research targets faster, safer source of islet cells for people with Type 1 diabetes](#)

[Dr. Dylan Pillai appointed academic head of Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine and Medical Director, South Sector, Alberta Precision Laboratories](#)

[Nursing associate professor receives lifetime achievement award for work in spiritual health care](#)

[Med school researcher receives international award for excellence](#)

[Eight innovative cross-cutting teams across UCalgary awarded grants for child health and wellness](#)

[Researchers hope AI can help diagnose depression more accurately](#)

[New self-assessment helps pregnant women start exercising safely sooner](#)
One-of-a-kind tool removes a major barrier for women looking to get or stay active during pregnancy, says U of A expert who led its development.

Alberta Health Services

[AHS seeks to provide more publicly-funded surgeries for Albertans](#)

- Plan calls for an expansion of chartered surgical facilities to reduce wait times

[National awards honour innovation, nursing leadership at AHS](#)

[Privacy breach at RDRHC Diagnostic Imaging Department](#)

[New ophthalmologist now practising in Grande Prairie](#)

[Edmonton-based drive service keeps seniors mobile and connected](#)

[‘Face painting’ gives courage to kids fighting cancer](#)

[ST. PAUL – A newly recruited general surgeon is now working out of the St. Therese – St. Paul Healthcare Centre and the Independent Medical Practitioners Clinic.](#)

[When illness strikes, Advance Care Planning a gift to your family](#)

[Alberta Health Services - News Releases](#)

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Family Medicine News Highlights

[Spring 2021 Certification Examination in Family Medicine update related to COVID-19 restrictions - CFPC](#)

[COVID-19 Provincial and Territorial Information and Resources](#)

[FMF LOVED: FMF Live On-demand Virtual Education](#)

[CaRMS - Program selection open for 2021 R-1 second iteration](#)

[CaRMS - Unfilled positions after the first iteration of the 2021 R-1 match](#)

[Canadian Family Physician - April 2021](#)

[Heart of Family Medicine Podcast – Episode 15 - Dr. Cathy Scrimshaw](#)

[April – Message from the President, Alberta College of Family Physicians](#)

[AHS Department of Family Medicine - Opportunities](#)

Calgary, Central & South Zone News/Programs

[Alberta Health Services \(AHS\) is moving its walk-in COVID-19 immunization site from the Southport building in S.W. Calgary to the Telus Convention Centre, effective Tuesday, April 20.](#)

Edmonton & Northern Zone News/Programs

[Innovator Spotlight: Jana Rieger](#)

The rehabilitation medicine researcher, entrepreneur and novelist is using pocket-sized technology to empower cancer and stroke patients.

[Innovator Spotlight: Jacob Jaremko](#)

U of A radiologist Jacob Jaremko is taking the 21st-century stethoscope worldwide.

[U of A spinoff company named Edmonton Startup of the Year](#)

True Angle Medical Technologies recognized for success of life-changing device that helps cancer patients regain their ability to swallow.

[Fast-growing Edmonton startup helps get new drugs to market sooner](#)

[Parking lot upgrades at Athabasca Healthcare Centre](#)

Rural Medicine

[Virtual workshops can help you feel better](#)

Alberta Primary Care Networks offer support for those suffering at home

[This Peace River paramedic would prefer not to take you to the hospital](#)

[Lac La Biche medical student opts to help vulnerable in own backyard](#)

[Progressive Goal Attainment Program \(PGAP\) for Rural Physiotherapists and Occupational Therapists](#)

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