



# AHS MD NEWS DIGEST

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## National and International News

['We can imagine a different future': Introducing CMA President Dr. Alika Lafontaine](#)

Grande Prairie anesthesiologist takes the helm of the Canadian Medical Association

[The Royal College welcomes Dr. Alika Lafontaine as new CMA president](#)

[A profession under pressure: results from the CMA's 2021 National Physician Health Survey](#)

[CMA advances commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion](#)

[Half of health care facilities globally lack basic hygiene services – WHO, UNICEF](#)  
Newly established global estimate on hygiene reveals the risk of disease spread and infections to patients and health care providers

[Globally, as of 6:49pm CEST, 26 August 2022, there have been 596,873,121 confirmed cases of COVID-19, including 6,459,684 deaths, reported to WHO. As of 24 August 2022, a total of 12,449,443,718 vaccine doses have been administered.](#)

[Vaccines and immunization for monkeypox: Updated interim guidance, 24 August 2022 - WHO](#)

[Monkeypox: experts give virus variants new names](#)

[Ask a Librarian: monkeypox](#)

[Canada's health care crisis: What we need now - Canada Medical Association](#)

## **Provincial News**

[Primary Care 2030 White Paper](#)

[Alberta Medical Association PatientsFirst.ca Survey Findings](#)

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[Advocacy update and how you can assist](#) - AMA President's Letter, August 26, 2022

[PatientsFirst.ca data; thoughts on scopes of practice](#) - AMA President's Letter, August 19, 2022

[Health care questions for leadership candidates](#) - AMA President's Letter, August 12, 2022

[Increasing funding for palliative and end-of-life care](#)

More than \$11.3 million in funding will go to 25 projects to increase access to high-quality palliative care and ensure patients and families are treated with dignity and respect

[Case breakdown](#)

[Find information on confirmed COVID-19 cases and laboratory testing in Alberta.](#)

[Monkeypox virus in Alberta - Government of Alberta](#)

[Boosters expand to kids aged 5-11](#)

[Cancer surgeries exceeding pre-pandemic levels](#)

[Helping more Albertans in their pursuit of recovery](#)

[COVID-19 Alberta statistics - Cases in Alberta as of August 23, 2022](#)

[CPSA Council updates and elections](#)

Council nominations will be open from Aug. 17 to Sept. 14 to fill four regulated member openings.

[Physicians residing outside Canada: are you covered by CMPA?](#)

[College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta: Recent news](#)

## **Alberta Health Services**

[Information for AHS Staff & Health Professionals  
COVID-19](#)

[Doctor Jobs Alberta](#)

[AHS Update: COVID-19 Booster Dose Available for Albertans aged 5 – 11,  
Reducing Wait Times for Cancer Surgeries, Family Support and Resources are  
available - August 26, 2022](#)

[AHS Update: Minister and AHS leaders tour communities, MyLearningLink  
introduces course catalogue, monkeypox immunization appointments expanded,  
Moderna for children six months to five years now available - August 12, 2022](#)

[Viral Respiratory Illness Guidance for Community Providers in a COVID-19  
Omicron Environment](#)

[New pilot aims to inspire healthy behavior and prevent diabetes](#)

[CMO Weekly Update for AHS Medical Staff  
COVID-19 - August 26, 2022](#)

[CMO SMOH Notice for AHS Medical Staff - August 12, 2022](#)

[University of Alberta Hospital to begin maintenance work in emergency  
department](#)

[Midwife assisted water immersion births now available at Taber Health Centre](#)

[Optimizing nutrition needs for critically ill patients](#)

[Temporary overnight closure of Stettler Hospital and Care Centre emergency  
department](#)

[Blue Green Algae Health Advisories](#)

[Additional EMS coverage, paramedics for Okotoks and Chestermere](#)

[AHS Interchange, August 25, 2022](#)

[AHS Interchange, August 18, 2022](#)

[AHS Interchange, August 11, 2022](#)

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

[COVID-19: Latest updates](#), Last updated August 30, 2022

[Message from Gregory Turnbull: New AHS Board Appointment](#)

Tara Lockyer joins the AHS Board

[AHS increases number of cancer surgeries](#)

[Scholarships celebrate youth volunteers](#)

[Virtual MD connects Health Link callers directly to physicians](#)

[Ergonomics at Work - September 2022](#)

[Show our Pride - Work Safe Blog](#)

[Awards and Recognition Wall](#)

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

[Dr. Geoffrey Melvill Jones retires at the age of 99](#)

[U of A has best-ever showing in prominent ranking of world's top institutions](#)

[U of A medical students make an impression on international organization with personalized mentoring program](#)

New chapter of Association of Women Surgeons wins international chapter of the year award.

[Calgary Foundation makes largest-ever gift to UCalgary's Indigenous Strategy](#)

[Sport Medicine Centre scores one of the few paediatric sport medicine doctors in Western Canada](#)

[Snyder Institute researchers discover new approach to healing skin infections and wounds](#)

[Physician wellness: Reflections on the challenges and opportunities](#)

Webinar, September 12, 2022

[Child Health and Wellness Seminar: Children and adolescents with migraine: Current challenges in the treatment landscape and how to move forward](#) -

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[Partnering for Protection: What's Pneu in Respiratory Prevention](#)  
Counselling at-risk patients on pneumococcal disease immunization  
September 8, 2022

[Social Media 101](#)  
September 15 or October 26, 2022

[Social Media 201](#)  
September 19 and November 22, 2022

[Effective Strategies for Providing Feedback](#) - September 12, 2022

[Women's Health Seminar Featuring CIHR Training Programs - September 7 2022](#)

[PLUS 3E - Educational Leadership, Cumming School of Medicine, September 8, 2022](#)

[WHO's Dr Philippa Easterbrook gives a situation update on the recent hepatitis outbreak affecting children including possible causes and steps parents, caregivers and countries should take.](#)  
- Science in 5, WHO Podcast and Transcript

[CMAjoule - Publications](#)

[New study shows 'transition bundle' helps acute COPD patients following hospital stay](#)

## **Family Medicine News Highlights**

[Open letter from the College of Family Physicians of Canada to CFPC Members](#)

[Family Medicine \(FAFM & CFPC\)-Temerty Innovation Grant: Call for Proposals](#)

[Artificial Intelligence for Family Medicine](#) - CFPC

[CFPC Learn: The Member Interest Groups Series on CFPCLearn](#)

[President's Message: August 2022, Alberta College of Family Physicians](#)

[East Calgary Family Care Clinic – An Outstanding Family Practice](#)

## **Rural Medicine**

[Rural Virtual Conference \(RVC\) Series 2022-2023](#)

[Rural Community Health Provider Attraction and Retention Conference](#)

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