How are Alberta's patients feeling about transitions of care?

Last October, we asked the AMA’s albertapatients.ca community to share their thoughts and experiences on the transition of care between family doctors and specialists. This study was initiated at the request of the Specialist Care Alliance.

The results of the study were interesting - most responses were positive regarding the experience of moving from primary care to specialist care. Many respondents felt the referral process was timely, efficient and straightforward and overall, those who saw a specialist in the past two years felt reasonably positive about the experience: 54% rated it as Excellent or Very Good!

Please visit our website for the full report and other albertapatients.ca newsletters.

Call for applications: AMHSP Advisory Council

Applications are due February 12

The AMA is recruiting for a representative to the Academic Medicine Health Services Program (AMHSP) Advisory Council. To ensure a broad

Don't forget!

Nominations due
February 28:
AMA Award for Compassionate Service

Applications due
March 31:
TD Insurance Meloche Monnex/AMA Scholarship

Nominations due
April 30:
AMA Achievement Awards (Medal for Distinguished Service or Medal of Honor)

The top stories from the January 17 issue of MD Scope were:

- Introducing... MyHealth Records patient portal!
- We moved some important information on albertadoctors.org
representation of AMHSP physician interests, the AMA has created the AMHSP Advisory Council to provide guidance and leadership on AMHSP matters and serve as a key conduit between grass roots AMHSP physicians and the AMA. The Council includes the 10 elected Arrangement representatives, plus AMA representatives to the Provincial AMHSP Operations and Strategy Committee as well as a representative from those groups considering entering the AMHSP.

Visit the AMA website to learn more about the AMHSP Council and apply for this position (login required).

Learn more and apply

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Celebrate compassionate medicine

Nominations are due February 28.

Do you know an AMA member who has given back to the community locally, nationally or internationally? One who goes outside of his/her normal duties and practices to care for others who would otherwise not receive care or support? Nominate him/her for the AMA Award for Compassionate Service!

View details and nominate a colleague today

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MD Scope Classifieds

In the February 7, 2019 MD Scope Classifieds you'll find listings for:

- Locums wanted
- Physicians wanted
- Space available
- For sale
- Conference
- Symposium
- Services offered

View MD Scope Classifieds
Vote: Proposed amendments to AHS Medical Staff Bylaws

Physicians will have the opportunity to vote on proposed amendments to the Alberta Health Services Medical Staff Bylaws in 2019. The Office of the AHS Vice President, Quality & Chief Medical Officer is hosting town hall information sessions for physicians. Medical staff are also encouraged to participate in person or virtually.

Please visit the AHS website for details on how to participate in the sessions and to view the proposed changes to the bylaws.

AHS Proposed Amendments

New screening program for Alberta infants

Did you know that permanent congenital hearing loss (PCHL) is one of the most common congenital conditions found in newborns? Based on 2016 birth rates, 109 to 163 infants are born in Alberta with PCHL each year.
Without screening, it can be hard to tell if an infant has hearing loss. Over half of all infants identified with PCHL are healthy and have no family history.

Alberta’s Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (EHDI) Program is a new provincial population-based screening program provided by AHS. The program identifies permanent hearing loss as early as possible and provides timely follow-up and support to improve language, learning and developmental outcomes for infants.

Mental Health Review Panel opportunity

Nominations are due May 20.

Alberta Health is recruiting for physician and psychiatrist members to serve on the Mental Health Review Panel Roster starting in fall 2020. The roster is an adjudicative body that considers applications pertaining to: cancellation of admission and renewal certificates for patients detained in designated facilities; return of a patient to a correctional facility after treatment; cancellation of community treatment orders; patient competence to make treatment decisions; and administration of treatment to patients who object to it under the Mental Health Act.

- View the physician posting
- View the psychiatrist posting
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