Country 105 Caring for Kids Radiothon is this Wednesday, Thursday and Friday!

This is an 18-year tradition with funds raised supporting not only exceptional care at the hospital, but also our child health and wellness research. Please join us in supporting Radiothon by spreading the word with your friends and families. With fewer people listening to the radio while driving to and from work, one of our biggest jobs is to help bring in Radiothon listeners—and to make the most of this year’s million-dollar match.

Radiothon is all about community – each donation matters, no matter how big or small. Click here to donate!

Listen live starting this Wednesday, February 3rd to Friday, February 5th to hear the inspiring stories from our kids and families.
Mindful of the many impacts of the pandemic on you and your families, we are grateful to you for considering this. Thank you!

CHILDHOOD CANCER AND BLOOD DISORDERS RESEARCH PROGRAM

A big thank you to Dr. Jennifer Chan, MD, the Kids Cancer Care Foundation Chair in Pediatric Oncology, for your superb leadership of the Childhood Cancer and Blood Disorders Research Program. Established in 2009, the program comprises a diverse team that works to find the best ways to treat and cure children with cancer. Recently, Chan spearheaded the design of the new open-concept laboratory at the Foothills Campus that allows cancer investigators to work under one roof. Chan directs the Clark Smith Brain Tumor and Pediatric Tumor Bank and Pediatric Tumor Bank which has enabled many investigators to address important questions of biology and therapeutics in these diseases. She is also part of the leadership team of the Terry Fox PROFYLE initiative to molecularly characterize pediatric and young adult cancers. Congratulations Dr. Chan on your appointment as the director of the Arnie Charbonneau Cancer Institute. We are so grateful for your commitment to childhood cancer! We look forward to continuing to work together to advance research and improve outcomes of children with cancer and blood diseases. Read more
Associated Medical Services (AMS) 2020 Fellow

Dr. Lyndsay MacKay, RN, MN, PhD, is one of eleven researchers from across Canada to be named an inaugural 2020 Associated Medical Services (AMS) Fellow in an emerging field of study - artificial intelligence and compassion. The fellows will advance innovation in their communities and steward technological changes in healthcare.
Dr. Jaideep Bains, PhD, and his Stressynomics lab investigate stress and synaptic circuitry, probing how physiological and psychological challenges lead to long-term changes in the brain. The lab's research is highlighted in the newest edition of Vogue. Bains says, "The circuits of the brain that respond to stress are similar in mice and humans." He notes that the stress felt by bystanders also changes the brain. Is Stress Contagious? Studies Say Yes—And Here’s How to Deal With It. Read more

Dr. Mackay will lead a team developing artificial intelligence software that rapidly codes parent-child interactions called Enabling Quality Interactions among Parents (EQUIP), a practice that is currently time-consuming and costly. EQUIP will increase the spread of parent-child interventions within clinical practices and increase productivity of child health research. The project supports the ATTACH study led by Dr. Nicole Letourneau to test innovative interventions to support positive parenting with high-risk mothers and secure maternal-infant attachment. Letourneau holds the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation Chair in Parent-Infant Mental Health. Congratulations Dr. MacKay! Read more

KNOWLEDGE TRANSLATION

GRANT AND RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

SURVEY TO SUPPORT RESEARCH DATA METHODS

We are exploring ways to support qualitative and quantitative research data methods and we want to hear from you! Please complete the following brief survey by March 1st. Your responses will help us better support your research. Survey
CIHR Project Grant Spring 2021
Grant Development Office Information session
February 17, Noon - 1:30 pm
Register

New Frontiers in Research Fund Information Session
Wednesday, February 24, 10 - 11 am
Dr. Penny Pexman, Associate Vice-President (Research)
Contact ipd@ucalgary.ca

Pre-announcement: CIHR Early Career Investigators Reviewer in Training Program
The RiT program offers early career researchers a learning opportunity to better understand the elements of high quality review and the peer review process through direct participation in the Project Grant competition with the support of a mentor.
Deadline February 26
Learn more
Contact Jenna Slobozian jslobozi@ucalgary.ca

EVENTS AND SEMINARS

COVID Community
Keeping your kids healthy and happy during the pandemic
Mental Health, Pregnancy and Vaccines

Register Now!
February 22, 2021
cumming.ucalgary.ca/cme

ACHRI is proud to partner with Continuing Medical Education & Professional Development (CME) to offer the next Cumming School of Medicine's COVID
Community on February 22 at 7 pm.
Dr. Susa Benseler and CME Associate Dean Dr. Kelly Burak will moderate this special public event with presentations by ACHRI investigators Drs. Carly McMorris, Catherine Lebel and Jim Kellner.

Please join us for "Keeping your kids happy and healthy during the pandemic - Mental health, pregnancy and vaccines."
Register here

Child Health and Wellness Seminars
Mondays at 8:30 am
February 08
Dr. Steven Greenway, MD, FRCPC, University of Calgary
An update on DCMA, a mitochondrial disease prevalent in Southern Alberta
Register
For all events visit the ACHRI calendar

Integrated Concussion Research Program Seminar Series
Wednesday, February 3
12 pm - 1 pm
Dr. Cheryl Wellington, PhD, University of British Columbia
Concussion: Lessons from Humans and Animal Models
Email heather.shepherd@ucalgary.ca to register

Owerko Centre Neurodevelopmental Clinical Rounds
Wednesday, February 3
12 pm - 1 pm
Ashleigh Yule, MA, R.Psych
Supporting Transgender Autistic Individuals
Register

NEW Navigating Partnered Research
This digital series hosted by Research Services provides support and guidance for faculty members interested in pursuing partnered research projects in the social sciences and humanities. Series runs February to June. View all speakers
Thursday, February 4
9:30 am - 11 am
Dr. Penny Pexman, Associate Vice-President (Research)
Register

Scientific Programming Series
Dr. Signe Bray, PhD, leads a course on computing tools via REALISE. Everyone welcome.
January 15 – April 16 | Weekly on Fridays 9:30 am - 12:30 pm
Learn more

Key resources  Updated Isolation Guidance | Procedure for sick students | Procedure for sick employees | Dashboard of cases on campus
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