



News eSummary

Week of October 9-13, 2017

The following information found in this eSummary can also be found on the Covenant Health Medical Staff Portal.



CMO Physician Forums

From the office of Dr. Owen Heisler, Chief Medical Officer

All Covenant Health Medical Leadership and Medical Staff are invited to join our inaugural **Chief Medical Officer (CMO) Physician Forum** on **October 13th 0730-0900 hours**. Options for attending will be onsite at either the Misericordia (Boardroom 1N-106 – **Presenter will be on this site**), the Grey Nuns (Boardroom 1715 – **Audio**) or by Telephone Conference. Please see link.

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Accreditation 2017 - How Did We Do?

Accreditation Canada surveyors will be visiting Covenant Health facilities **October 16 – 20, 2017**. They will focus on the Long Term Care and Hospice, Palliative, End of Life Standards. The all staff debrief will be held on **Friday October 20, 2017, from 0930-1030**. Please review the “Accreditation 2017 – How Did We Do?” [poster](#) for more information on audio and video conferencing.

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QHI Webinar Series

Don't miss out on these 4 upcoming great Patient and Family Centered Care Webinars! The first one is on **Wednesday, October 25 from 12:00-1:00** – What are patients and families telling us about our practices? AHS Employees and Physicians can register through MyLearningLink on Insite.

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Surgery SCN Lunch and Learn MCH

Dr. Jonathan White, Jill Robert, Stacey Litvinchuk and Tim Baron from the Surgery Strategic Clinical Network team are hosting a lunch and learn entitled 'Future Direction of Surgical Services in Alberta' on **October 16th 12:00pm-1:00pm** in the Misericordia Auditorium. All Physicians and staff are welcome.

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New Facility Chief, Child Health MCH

From the Office of Dr. Robert Black, AVP & Medical Director, Misericordia

I am pleased to announce that **Dr. Shariff Shaik** stepped into the role of Facility Chief, Child Health at the Misericordia Community Hospital effective October 2, 2017.

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Key Messages – Use of Electronic Monitoring Policy

From the office of Jon Popowich, Chief Quality and Privacy Officer and Gordon Self, Vice President, Mission, Ethics and Spirituality

A new policy entitled Use of Electronic Monitoring, Recording Devices and Cameras by Patients, Residents and Alternate Decision Makers was rolled out on September 15, 2017. A [key messages document](#) has been developed to support frontline leaders in continuing the conversation with their teams.

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Gordon Reid MacDonald – Memorial Lecture

Misericordia Medical Staff Association welcomes Dr. John Butt, Forensic Pathologist on **Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 7pm** for the lecture 'The Truth: The Whole Truth?' All are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to [Tracy James](#) by **Friday, November 3rd**.

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Mobile Apps Education Guide

From the office of Sharna Polard, Manager, Library Services, Covenant Health

Looking for high quality medical mobile apps? Library Services recommends the [KRS Mobile Apps & Resources Education Guide](#).

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Family Practice Review and Update Course

The 42nd annual family practice review and update course – Pearls for Practice will take place Monday – Thursday, November 20-23, 2017 at MacEwan Centre- University of Calgary.

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Worldwide STOP Pressure Injury Prevention Day

From the Office of Dr. Owen Heisler, Chief Medical Officer and Marlene Varga, MSc, Pressure Injury Prevention Coordinator

Covenant Health will join hospitals across the country and globe in observing **World Wide Pressure Injury Prevention Day, November 16th, 2017**. We encourage each site to review the educational and awareness materials that will be circulated and share them creatively with your teams. You are also encouraged to plan awareness activities throughout the entire week from **November 13th-17th**.

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Change Day

Change Day is an international movement that encourages people to make a pledge for change to improve their own health or the health of others. Covenant Health is a sponsor, in partnership with AHS. It is an easy way to engage in a fun campaign that positively impacts healthcare. Anyone in Alberta can [make a pledge](#) between **now and November 17** when we all celebrate as a province.

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Gairdner Symposium & Public Lecture

On **Wednesday, October 11**, there is a [Public Lecture](#) entitled “Hope and Innovation: Changing the future for patients with brain disease”. This lecture is in conjunction with the [Gairdner Symposium, Thursday October 12 & Friday October 13](#), with the theme “Molecular Mechanisms of Neurodegeneration and Neuroinflammation”.

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34th Annual Feldman Lecture

On Friday, **October 20, 2017 at 07:30am** in the Auditorium, Professor Philip (Phil) Cowen, BSc, MB, BS, MD, FRCPsych, a British psychiatrist and psychopharmacologist will be our Feldman Lecturer.

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28th Annual Palliative Education and Research Day

We are pleased to inform you that the registration link for our upcoming conference is now open. We look forward to seeing you **October 23, 2017**.

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2017 Hospital Medical Conference – RAH

The Royal Alexandra Hospital is pleased to announce that registration for the 2017 Annual RAH Hospital Medicine Conference is now open. This year’s annual conference runs from **November 3-5, 2017**, is CME accredited and has grown in popularity and session year over year.

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Current Advisories & Alerts

- CooperSurgical Milex Pessaries – [AHS](#) & [Vendor](#) Advisory, [Acknowledgment form](#)
- [Erythromycin estolate 50 mg/mL oral suspension – Discontinuation](#)
- Anatomical Pathology Request forms – [Standardized](#) & [Critical/Priority](#)

ISMP Memo & Newsletter

From the office of Tara Dumont, Manager, Medication Management

See the [attached](#) September 2017 edition of Nurse Advise-ERR, published by the Institute for Safe Medication Practices (US).

Alberta Scan

The latest edition of the **Alberta Scan** newsletter is now available.

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Sue’s News – Office of Staff Wellbeing Department of Anesthesiology & Pain Medicine Edmonton Zone

From the desk of Dr. Sue Reid, Director, Office of Staff Wellbeing, Department of Anesthesiology & Pain Medicine Edmonton Zone

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The Vital Beat

Here is this week’s edition of [The Vital Beat Newsletter](#) - Covenant Health’s weekly newsletter. The stories link to [The Vital Beat](#), our organization’s new newsroom full of stories about your expertise, your programs and the patients and residents you interact with daily.

Surgical Assist Opportunities

Covenant Health is currently seeking the services of fully licensed, non-restricted CPSA licensed physicians for an exciting opportunity to join a dynamic surgical team in **surgical assisting for Vascular and General Surgery** at the Grey Nuns Community Hospital and in **Women’s Health and General Surgery** at the Misericordia Community Hospital.

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