



DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY MEDICINE

News and updates

Sept 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESENTATION:

Candidate for the head of the Department of Family Medicine and Provincial Specialty Lead – Family Medicine

Don't miss this opportunity to participate in an informative session featuring a candidate for the prestigious position of Head of the Department of Family Medicine and Provincial Specialty Lead – Family Medicine.

Presenter: Dr. Amanda Condon

Date: Friday, September 8

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Location: Apotex 050 or [Zoom](#)

Submit your questions for Dr. Condon to Angela.Shank@umanitoba.ca before and during the event. A recording of the presentation will be available upon request. For further information or to discuss accommodation needs, please contact Angela.Shank@umanitoba.ca.

Provide feedback to RFHSHRAdmin@umanitoba.ca by Friday, September 15, for sharing with the Headship Advisory Committee.

NEW PODCAST EPISODE ALERT: "As PER Usual - Episode 4"

We are excited to announce the release of the latest episode of "As PER Usual", a podcast that explores patient engagement in research.

In this episode, patient partner and knowledge broker, Rachel Martens, joins Dr. Christina (Tina) Fahim, a dedicated scientist in knowledge translation, for an insightful discussion. Discover innovative strategies to promote the significance of patient involvement in research and gain practical advice to enhance your own engagement efforts.

Read about the podcast in [UM Today](#) >

Listen to the episode: [As PER Usual - Episode 4](#) >

TRAINING OPPORTUNITY: Discover SMART AIM Statements in AIM Training

Unlock the power of effective project goals with AIM Training! Join us to dive into SMART aim statements and elevate your quality improvement journey.

What is a SMART Aim Statement?

Aim statements define project goals and guide your team's efforts. The SMART framework ensures their effectiveness by embodying these key attributes:

- **Specific:** Clearly define actions and target population.
- **Measurable:** Set clear, objective outcome measures for improvement assessment.
- **Actionable/Attainable:** Craft practical, achievable goals.
- **Relevant/Realistic:** Align outcomes with the vision and ensure feasibility.
- **Time-bound:** Establish a specific timeline.

Clinics are lining up for the fall 2023 cohorts and spots are filling up fast. Don't miss out on this opportunity to enhance your skills and knowledge.

For a comprehensive exploration of AIM visit the [AIM website](#) or email aim@umanitoba.ca.

Read more in [UM Today](#) >

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

PUBLICATION

Transition essentials

In an article published in the *CJC Pediatric and Congenital Heart Disease* journal, a team of researchers including faculty from the department of family medicine developed a series of recommendations for supporting patients and families transitioning from pediatric to adult congenital heart disease (CHD) care. The study, reported by Emily K. Hyde, Annette S.H. Schultz, Robin Ducas, Lori Lester, Shelly Mclarty, Anna M. Chudyk, and others, used a multi-level participatory process engaging individuals with CHD, their caregivers, and health care providers. Their collaborative process resulted in "Transition essentials," a guide on what support is needed, who should provide it, and how it should be provided to patients transitioning from pediatric to adult CHD care.

[Learn more >](#)

PUBLICATION

Psychiatric consultation: Characteristics, satisfaction, and referrer perceptions of opportunities

Faculty members from the Department of Family Medicine, including Dorothy Yu, Alexander G. Singer, and others, have published a research study in the *Canadian Family Physician (CFP)* titled, "Psychiatric consultation: Characteristics, satisfaction, and referrer perceptions of opportunities." The study, featured in the July 2023 issue (Volume 69, Issue 7, Pages 481-489), sought to optimize referral methods to psychiatric services by assessing primary care provider referrals, satisfaction levels, and potential intervention opportunities. The researchers found that provider-patient factors and specific practice characteristics influenced referrals.

[Learn more >](#)

POSTER PRESENTATION

Abstract from Nabiha Faisal selected for prestigious poster presentation

We are delighted to share the news that Nabiha Faisal's abstract, titled "Cirrhosis incidence among young adults (18-44) and in females - a population-based study from 2010 to 2019," has been chosen for showcase at The Liver Meeting 2023. The esteemed invitation from the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases highlights the significance of Faisal's research. Don't miss the opportunity to learn more about abstract number 46025 during the poster presentation.

EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE

Grand Rounds

Starting in September 2023, we're excited to increase our Grand Rounds offering from quarterly to monthly! Join us for these informative sessions on Thursday mornings from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. via Zoom:

- September 21, 2023 - QI Mentorship topic
- October 26, 2023 - Fatigue Risk Management topic
- November 23, 2023 - Cannabinoid topic
- December 14, 2023
- January 11, 2024
- February 15, 2024
- March 21, 2024
- April 18, 2024
- May 9, 2024
- June 6, 2024

Led by residents with preceptor and multi-disciplinary support, these DFM Grand Rounds are accredited for Mainpro+ credits. More details will be sent for each session.

[Register now](#) >

REGISTER NOW

12th Annual Practical Evidence for Informed Practice (PEIP) Conference

Don't miss this opportunity to attend the 12th annual Practical Evidence for Informed Practice (PEIP) conference. Join us for two insightful days of evidence-based reviews on clinically relevant primary care topics.

Date: October 20 - 21, 2023

Format: Hybrid Event (In-person in Edmonton and Live Webcast)

[Register now](#) >

SAVE THE DATE

Family Medicine Resident's Annual Quality Improvement Day

Date: Friday, January 26, 2024

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Mark your calendars for the department of family medicine's Annual Quality Improvement Day (QID). This full-day event is dedicated to residents in their second year of training, who will be presenting their quality improvement projects. The QID serves as an annual forum to showcase the residents' QI education and celebrate its application within a primary care setting.

Contact [Alyzia Horsfall](#) for more information.

REMINDER

The next e-newsletter from Family Medicine is planned for the **first week of October**. Appropriate submissions include:

- Staff changes (arrivals/departures)
- Departmental news and announcements
- Recently published articles/books/chapters
- Awards
- Upcoming events

Deadline for submissions: September 27

[Submit your news](#) >
