

primary cares

News & updates from the Calgary Zone



Demystifying fibromyalgia

Demystifying fibromyalgia and mastering its management in the medical home is the main topic of the next installment of the Calgary Zone's popular webinar series.

Join us on Monday, June 24, from 6–8 p.m., as co-hosts Dr. Rick Ward and Dr. Christine Luelo return for the last webinar prior to the summer break.

Special guest Dr. Lori Montgomery will outline an evidence-based treatment approach for supporting patients with fibromyalgia that includes the introduction of a new pathway for primary care, as well as a toolkit of resources.

Other primary care topics featured will include access to urology and an update on the neurology access and headache and migraine pathways.

[Register.](#)

Pathway updates

Three popular Specialist Link pathways have been updated to reflect the latest evidence, treatment and referral options.

The Calgary Zone [headache and migraine pathway](#), which focuses on migraine management in non-pregnant adults and details the many possible steps physicians and teams can take when managing migraines, now includes a list of [family practice clinics](#) in the local area that take referrals to help reduce wait times.

The [neurology access pathway](#) has also been updated to reflect recent referral options, while the [alcohol use disorder pathway](#) has been amended to incorporate changes recommended during a recent Zone webinar.

Fax routing for Connect Care

An interim routing solution is available for mixed content community providers who have limited, intermittent work in a Connect Care context and don't want their results and documentation sent to Connect Care In Basket.

Those providers can request their default communication method for results and documentation be changed from Connect Care In Basket to fax, either for all information currently sent to their Connect Care In Basket that can be faxed, or for diagnostic cardiology results only. By enabling fax redirect, the duplicate Connect Care In Basket result would be sent by fax instead.

Those considering this solution should be aware of the potential for increased workload for administrative staff in community clinics. Please reference the [FAQ](#) (login required).

[More information.](#)

Reminder: Gynecology to join FAST June 10

Gynecology will be the latest specialty added to the Facilitated Access to Specialized Treatment (FAST) initiative on Monday, June 10.

General surgery, orthopedic surgery, urology and vascular surgery are already part of the program. [More information.](#)

Quick links

Choosing Wisely Talks: Lab tests

On Wednesday, June 19, at 10 a.m. Choosing Wisely Talks is hosting a webinar on reducing unnecessary repetitive lab testing. It includes insights from quality improvement studies on routine and unnecessary blood work in general medicine. [Register.](#)

EMR strategies

On Wednesday, June 5, from 7:30–8:30 a.m., and on Tuesday, Jun 11, from 6–7 p.m., the Alberta Medical Association provincial Physician Champion Network is hosting a session on tips and strategies to get your EMR working harder for you. [More information.](#)

Physician Learning Plan summit

On Tuesday, June 11, the Physician Learning Plan summit will explore how to leverage a supportive team-based culture using clinical information to drive improvement. [More information.](#)

Panel management resources

A reminder that information about the panel management support program can be found on the [AMA website](#), including an [FAQ](#). [Transitional funding program](#) information is also available.

Clinic Managers Network

The AMA's Accelerating Change Transformation Team and the Alberta Association of Clinic Managers have launched a network for clinic managers. [More information.](#)