

PRIMARY CARE ACCESS TO GERIATRIC MEDICINE

NON-URGENT ADVICE

Contact Specialist Link or make an eReferral eConsult



Request advice online at specialistlink.ca or call:

Local: **403.910.2551**

Toll-free: **1.844.962.5456 (Link)**

Get a call-back within **two hours!**

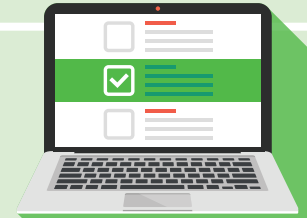
✓ *Clinical advice* ✓ *Confidence* ✓ *Clarity* ✓ *Conversation* ✓ *Collaboration*

Log into Alberta Netcare and submit your questions electronically:

albertanetcare.ca/learningcentre/eReferral.htm

Get a response within **five calendar days!**

✓ *Supports patients* ✓ *Secure* ✓ *Specialty-specific* ✓ *Submit online*



ROUTINE GERIATRICS MEDICINE OPTIONS

Patient requires evaluation within 4-6 weeks



Indications: Routine – Complex dementia diagnosis and management, complex chronic disease management, decline in function, frailty, falls

Semi-urgent – Review of complex medications/deprescribing, recurrent falls (>3 in 3 months), assessment of frail older adults who are high users of acute care, management of dementia-related behaviours

- ✓ Send referral through Seniors Health One Line Referral; physician-to-physician consults available (Phone: **403-955-1525** | Fax: **403-955-1514**. Referral form available via albertareferraldirectory.ca)

URGENT GERIATRICS MEDICINE OPTIONS

Patient requires evaluation within one week



Indications: Recent or subacute decline in function, new onset of multiple falls in a short period of time, rapid decline in cognition

- ✓ Send referral through Seniors Health One Line Referral (Phone: **403-955-1525** | Fax: **403-955-1514**). Referral form available via albertareferraldirectory.ca

EMERGENCY OPTIONS

Patient **NEEDS** to be seen same day



Indications: Delirium or disruptive behaviours

- ✓ For advice about management to avoid admission, contact the geriatrician on city-wide call via **RAAPID** at **403.944.4486 / 1.800.661.1700**
- ✓ Send patient to emergency via **911**