

CANCER *talk*

CONNECTING WITH MANITOBA'S PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS

UPwords

› NETWORK NEWS FOR PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS

Check out updates about events and CancerCare Manitoba programs in the UpWords section!

We are piloting to include UpWords in CancerTalk instead of as a stand-alone e-blast and would love to hear your thoughts; send us an email at CCMBPrimaryCareEducation@cancercare.mb.ca and let us know what you think.

PROVINCIAL CANCER REFERRAL & NAVIGATION Important Information for Healthcare Providers

Central Referral Office Phone: 1-844-320-4545

The **Fax number remains the same at 204-786-0621** for **ALL** internal and external referrals to the Central Referral Office.

The phone and fax numbers for **Winnipeg Navigation** remain as follows:

Phone: 1-855-837-5400 | Fax: 204-235-0690

FIT IS HERE!

Check out page 3 for more information on changes to colorectal cancer screening.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

View page 7 to learn more about CCMB's new team members.

PROVINCIAL CANCER CARE CONFERENCE

Working together to advance cancer care

[Register now!](#)
October 12-13, 2023

If you have questions regarding the work-up of suspected cancer or any other cancer-related questions, please contact The CancerQuestion Helpline for Healthcare Professionals

(204) 226-2262 or cancer.question@cancercare.mb.ca

Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Message from The Department Head of Primary Care Oncology



Dr. Tunji Fatoye,
CancerCare Manitoba

I hope everyone has had an excellent summer and you were able to take some time away from the office. We are happy to bring you this Fall edition of CancerTalk. In this issue, we have details regarding the FIT test for colorectal cancer screening. Please see pages 3-5 for more information on this exciting update!

We are also participating in an ongoing collaboration with the Primary Care Health System Integration Team to improve and formalize communication between CancerCare Manitoba and the Primary Care community at large. Stakeholders in this collaboration include Shared Health, the Department of Primary Care Oncology, the Department of Family Medicine at the Max Rady College of Medicine, and members of the Primary Care teams across Manitoba. The goal of this collaboration is to formalize and improve communication between CCMB and Primary Care providers to be more efficient and effective.

Further, I look forward to attending the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer Pan-Canadian Cervical Cancer Screening Network meeting in November to continue

the work on a strategy to eliminate cervical cancer by the 2030s.

Finally, I would like to extend a warm invitation to the Primary Care community to the Provincial Cancer Care Conference occurring this fall on October 12-13 at the Canad Inns Destination Centre Polo Park. Registration closes September 28 and can be completed by [clicking here](#). At this link, you can view our program and additional details about the event. This conference is an incredible opportunity for local, interdisciplinary, oncology professional development, and we hope to see many of you there.

FIT is here!

Big changes to colorectal cancer screening began on June 20, 2023:

1. The Fecal Immunochemical Test, commonly known as FIT is the test used to screen for colorectal cancer in Manitoba.
2. All FIT requests can be made to CancerCare Manitoba's ColonCheck program using the [Fecal Immunochemical Test Requisition \(pdf\) form](#). The form can be downloaded from your electronic medical record library.
3. Direct referrals following an abnormal colorectal cancer screening test result are made by ColonCheck.



FIT provides many benefits to patients, healthcare providers, and stakeholders. Overall benefits include:

- Increased participation because only one sample is required and there are no dietary or medication restrictions.
- Earlier cancer detection and improved mortality reduction because the FIT is more sensitive to colorectal cancer and advanced adenomas.
- Standard and equitable process for all Manitobans - Consistent recruitment process, adherence to screening guidelines, and efficient use of resources.
- Consistent direct referral process for all patients who have had an abnormal FIT result.

ColonCheck will send a FIT to your patient when they are eligible to participate in colorectal cancer screening. If a patient opts not to participate at that time, we encourage providers to have a conversation with the patient. If patient

consent is provided, facilitate access to the FIT in one of two ways:

1. Have the patient complete the online form at cancercare.mb.ca/coloncheck, or call ColonCheck at 1-855-95-CHECK (1-855-952-4325).
2. Complete a [Fecal Immunochemical Test Requisition \(pdf\)](#) form for your patient and fax it to ColonCheck.

Providers can also use the [Fecal Immunochemical Test Requisition \(pdf\)](#) form to request a FIT for patients under age 50 who are at increased risk of CRC due to a:

- family history of:
 - one or more first-degree relative(s) diagnosed with advanced adenomas at any age.
 - one first-degree relative diagnosed with CRC at age 60 years and older.
- personal history of low-risk adenomas requiring surveillance (1-2 tubular adenomas, each less than 1 centimetre with no high-grade dysplasia).
- personal history of radiation treatment for cancer as a child or young adult.
- Are a renal transplant candidate.

Know that:

1. There are print and video instructions available for patients at cancercare.mb.ca/coloncheck.
2. Providers will receive their patient's FIT result directly from the lab. The patient



will receive their result from ColonCheck.

- The FIT is to be used as a screening test, **not** a diagnostic test.

The patient who does a FIT should not have any symptoms of colorectal cancer.

If symptoms are present, the patient should be referred for diagnostic testing.

- To increase access to the FIT, providers have the option to indicate on the [Fecal Immunochemical Test Requisition](#) (pdf) form to have the FIT sent to their clinic instead

of directly to the patient. This can be helpful in a variety of situations, such as people with unstable housing, assistance needed in doing the test, etc.

- In the meantime, all patients who still have a gFOBT at home are encouraged to complete it and send it in as soon as possible. Analysis of gFOBTs will continue until September 29, 2023, at both Shared Health and Cadham Provincial Laboratories.

OPTIONAL

Check here if you want the FIT mailed to the healthcare provider address indicated above for patient pickup.

Supporting Resources:

[ColonCheck Screening Guidelines](#) (pdf)

[Clinical Practice Change](#) (pdf)

[Fecal Immunochemical Test \(FIT\) Requisition Form](#) (pdf)

[Fecal Immunochemical Test \(FIT\) Requisition Completion Instructions](#) (pdf)

[ColonCheck webinar recording](#) entitled: *Is your patient fit for FIT? An overview of fecal immunochemical testing for colorectal cancer screening in Manitoba.*

[CancerCare Manitoba Screening Information for Healthcare Providers](#)

If you have questions, email screening@cancercare.mb.ca. All of the resources above are linked from cancercare.mb.ca/screening/hcp.

Stay Informed

To stay informed about guideline changes, technology changes, new resources, and education opportunities [sign up for our e-newsletter](#). We only send e-news when there is something new to share. You can unsubscribe at any time.



FIT Instructions

Directives d'utilisation du TIF

Before you do this test, check:

Avant d'effectuer ce test, veuillez vérifier ce qui suit :

- ✓ Name
- ✓ PHIN
- ✓ Date of birth

- ✓ Nom
- ✓ NIP
- ✓ Date de naissance



1. Complete steps 2, 3 and 4. Effectuer les étapes 2, 3 et 4.

2. Write sample date. Écrivez la date d'échantillon.

3. Peel and stick. Pelez et collez.

4. Pee and flush. Urinez et tirez la chasse.

5. Place paper. Placez le papier.

6. Poop. Faites vos selles.

7. Collect. Effectuez le prélèvement.

8. Flush. Tirez la chasse.

9. Package. Préparez l'enveloppe de retour.

10. Return. Expédiez l'enveloppe.

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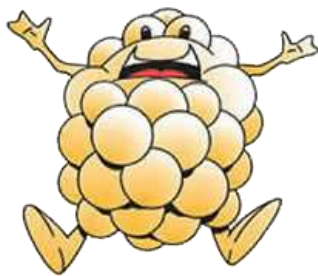
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UPCOMING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES



27th Annual Bug Day

Tuesday, October 17, 2023

Experts will address timely, significant topics in public health and infectious diseases at Bug Day, Manitoba's largest healthcare education event. This popular day-long symposium, hosted by HSC Winnipeg in collaboration with UManitoba's Continuing Professional Development Medicine Program, is accredited for physicians and can be used for continuing education purposes by other health care workers.

The symposium is free, but you must register by October 16 to attend.

Schedule, abstracts, and link to registration at <https://hsc.mb.ca/bug-day/>



2023 Staff Immunization Clinics

Each year, we appeal to healthcare workers - and our patients, residents and clients - to take all available steps to protect yourselves and those you care about. This year, you can protect yourself, your loved ones and your patients/residents/clients by wearing a mask, practicing proper hand hygiene and getting your annual flu shot.

Click [here](#) to find a Flu Clinic.

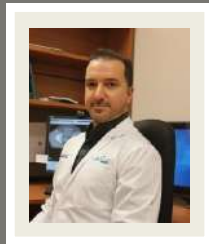
Ethics Education Series

Ongoing | 12-1 p.m.

The Health Care Ethics Service is pleased to offer monthly hour-long virtual ethics education sessions for health care providers. The topics, times and dates are listed in the 2023-24 schedule and will be presented by **Katarina Lee-Ameduri**, *Clinical Ethicist, St. Boniface Hospital; Director of Ethics, Réseau Compassion Network; and Assistant Professor, Department of Family Medicine, University of Manitoba*. Registration is free. Please email Lydia Shawarsky at lsawarsky@sbgh.mb.ca to register and receive Zoom details.



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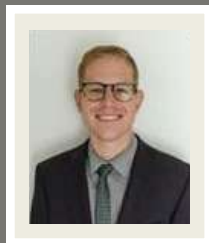


Dr. Abdulmajeed Dayyat

Dr. Abdulmajeed Dayyat joined the Department of Radiation Oncology at CCMB as a Radiation Oncologist on September 11, 2023. Dr. Dayyat completed his fellowship in Breast, Gynecological, and Thoracic Oncology at Princess Margaret Cancer Center in Toronto in 2015. He completed his Radiation Oncology Residency Training at King Hussein Cancer Center in Amman, Jordan.

Dr. Dayyat has worked as a Radiation Oncologist at Cape Breton Cancer Center at Nova Scotia Health and has been an Assistant professor within the Department of Radiation Oncology at Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia since August 2020.

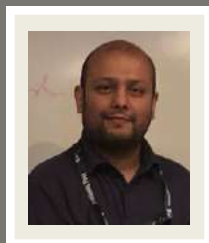
Dr. Dayyat joined the Thoracic, Breast, and Central Nervous System disease site groups and can be reached at 204-787-2117 or via email at adayyat@cancercare.mb.ca.



Dr. Bryan Janzen

Dr. Bryan Janzen joined the Department of Radiation Oncology, CancerCare Manitoba, as a Radiation Oncologist on August 28, 2023. Dr. Janzen completed his residency in Radiation Oncology at CancerCare Manitoba in 2022. After residency, Dr. Janzen completed his fellowship in British Columbia in August 2023.

Dr. Janzen joined the GI, Breast, Liver SBRT, Spine SBRT, Head and Neck, and Skin disease site groups and can be reached at 204-787-1694 or via email at bjanzen2@cancercare.mb.ca.



Dr. Nikesh Hanumanthappa

Dr. Nikesh Hanumanthappa joined the Department of Radiation Oncology at CCMB as a Radiation Oncologist on June 1, 2023. Dr. Nikesh Hanumanthappa completed his fellowship in the Radiation Oncology Program at the University of Manitoba in 2019, then the SABR Fellowship at Guys and St. Thomas's NHS Trust in London. In March 2021, he was appointed Locum Consultant in Clinical Oncology at Sheffield Teaching Hospital in Sheffield, UK.

Dr. Hanumanthappa joined the GU, Prostate, Breast and Lymphoma disease site groups and can be reached at nhanumanthappa@cancercare.mb.ca.



Dr. Vibhay Pareek

Dr. Vibhay Pareek has joined the Department of Radiation Oncology at CCMB as a Radiation Oncologist. Dr. Pareek completed his MBBS from Maharashtra University of Health Sciences (MUHS) in Navi, Mumbai and then completed his DNB Radio-Therapy from the National Board of Examination, Jupiter Hospital.

Dr. Pareek was a senior resident at Jupiter Hospital from August 2018 to January 2019, then a senior resident at the National Cancer Institute, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in New Delhi from January 2019 to March 2022. Dr. Pareek joined the University of Manitoba in April 2022 as a Fellow in the Radiation Oncology Program.

Dr. Pareek can be reached at vpareek@cancercare.mb.ca.



Provincial Cancer Care Conference 2023

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Date: October 12-13, 2023

Location: Canad Inns Destination Centre Polo Park

Focus: Lymphoproliferative (Lymphoma & Multiple Myeloma)



For more information and updates, please visit: cancercare.mb.ca/conference



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