

2008 Committees

Prior to 1997, the Alberta Chapter was unincorporated. At its meeting on June 8, 1996, the Board of Directors moved that the Alberta Chapter proceed to become a society. Society status would provide protection and give authority under law to Chapter Officers and Board members who act in good faith while performing their duties. On January 9, 1997, the Alberta Chapter received its Certificate of Incorporation.

In keeping with the Alberta Chapter Bylaws, a Slate of Nominations for all Alberta Chapter Committees is proposed to the membership prior to the Annual General Meeting in the spring of each year. If you are interested in participating on one of our committees, we encourage you to contact the Alberta Chapter office by November 15th of each year. For more information on a specific committee, please contact the ACFP - Alberta College of Family Physicians.

Board Members

The Board is a governing Board under the Bylaws of the Alberta College of Family Physicians. Board member's responsibilities include: ensuring that the association is properly managed, ensure that its property and assets are suitably cared for, and ensuring that high quality services are provided to all its members. The President of the ACFP is also Chair of the Board, and is the official spokesperson on issues that arise during and between Board meetings.

President – Dr. Rick Ward, Calg	Chair, U of A Dept of Fam. Med. – Dr. Rick Spooner, Edm
Past-President – Dr. John Chiu, Edm	Head, U of C Dept of Fam. Med – Dr. Cathy MacLean, Calg
Honorary Treasurer – Dr. Paul Humphries, Edm	Fam. Practice Resident U of A rep – Dr. Aidan Cunniffe, Edm
Secretary – Dr. Janet Reynolds, Calg	Fam. Practice Resident U of C rep – Dr. Zoe Chan, Calg
Member at Large – Dr. Jill Konkin, Edm	Medical Student U of A Rep – Ms. Lindsay Nanninga-Penner, Edm
Member at Large – Dr. Linda Smith, Edm	Medical Student U of C Rep – Ms. Aileen Iloreta, Calg
Chair, CME/NCCPD Rep. – Dr. Dorcas Kennedy, Leth	AMA - Section of GP Rep – Dr. Diane Brox, Edm
Chair, Care of the Elderly Com. – Dr. Diana Turner, Calg	AMA - Section of Rural Med. Rep – Dr. Allan Garbutt, Bellevue

Executive Members

The Executive Committee exercises all of the powers and functions of the Board between the meetings of the Board. Any action of the Executive is subject to ratification by the Board at its next meeting.

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Alberta Family Practice Network (AFPRN) Committee

The AFPRN Steering Committee provides overall direction and advice to the Research Network and approves all research projects that involve the Network. The committee meets 2-3 times per year. Most meetings are face-to-face.

Acting Chair – Dr. Diana Turner, Calg	Community FP – Dr. Carol Rowntree, Sundre
U of A Rep – Dr. Mike Allan, Edm	Community FP – Dr. Lizette Elumir, Calg
U of C Rep – Dr. Jim Dickinson, Calg	Community FP – Dr. Sakina Raj, Calg
Community FP – Dr. Annie Yau, Calg	Community FP – Dr. Caroline Bain, Calg

Annual Scientific Assembly (ASA) Committee

The ASA, held in the Spring of each year, provides a forum for the presentation and discussion of topics and ideas that impact family medicine. The planning committee meets 6-8 times per year by teleconference, and twice in person.

Chair – Dr. Margaret Churcher, Calg	Member at Large – Dr. Peter Hum, Edm
Member at Large – Dr. Tuhin Bakshi, Wet	Member at Large – Dr. Fred Janke, Sylvan Lake
Member at Large – Dr. Patricia Heard, Calg	Member at Large - Dr. Cheryl Whitehead, Calg

Care of the Elderly Committee

The Care of the Elderly Working Group is a group dedicated to defining and addressing the present situation and limitations of the current healthcare system in relation to: (a) the role of family physicians in caring for the elderly, (b) the role of the College in caring for the elderly, and (c) the role of the university (educational) in training family physicians in caring for the elderly.

Chair – Dr. Diana Turner, Calg	Member at Large – Dr. Jenniger Stickney-Lee, Edm
Member at Large – Dr. David Belcher, D Valley	Member at Large – Dr. Elisa Mori-Torres, St. Albert
Member at Large – Dr. Paddy Quail, Calg	Member at Large – Dr. Jeremy deBruyn, Edm
Member at Large – Dr. Jean Triscott, Edm	Member at Large – Dr. Christine Lebeuf, Calg
Member at Large – Dr. Guilia Perri, Calg	Member at Large – Dr. Joel Weaver, Leth

Continuing Medical Education Committee

Currently Under Review. The CME Committee provides provincial leadership to facilitate and encourage the development of resources and infrastructures for the continuing medical education

of family physicians in Alberta. The committee adheres to the national MAINPRO process. This committee meets 2-3 times per year by teleconference, or as an issue arises.

Chair – Dr. Dorcas Kennedy, Leth	Coordinator, Practice Based Small Group
U of C CME Rep – Dr. Rick Ward, Calg	Leaning Program – Dr. Adrian Gretton, Calg
U of A CME Rep – Dr. Susan Low, Edm	Member at Large – Dr. Barrie McCombs, Calg
Member at Large – Dr. Carol Connick, Edm	

Nominating and Awards Committee

The Nominating and Awards Committee ensures that information regarding the National CFPC Awards Program is promoted and disseminated to the membership, and that an open and fair process for the selection of recipients/nominees takes place. The Nominating and Awards Committee is also responsible for conducting a fair and transparent process for the selection of members of the Executive and other ACFP committees. This committee meets 3-4 times per year by teleconference.

Chair – Dr. John Chiu, Edm	ACFP Board Rep – Dr. Diana Turner, Calg
Past President Rep – Dr. Joan Horton, Calg	Member at Large – Dr. Wendy Tink, Calg
ACFP Board Rep – Dr. Dorcas Kennedy, Leth	Member at Large – Dr. Paul Humphries, Edm