



REPORT TO THE **COMMUNITY**

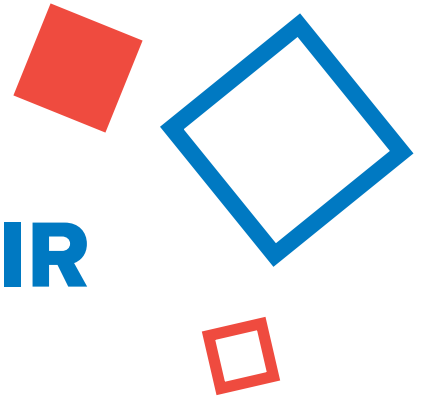
2023



**Thank
You!**



MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR AND CEO



Unprecedented. Challenging. Extraordinary. How many times did we hear those words over the course of the last three years? If the pandemic taught us anything, we learned that when we put our minds to it, we can rise above any challenge that comes our way. And together we did.

2022/23 was a momentous year for the Alberta Children's Hospital, the Foundation and our community.

Last year, the Alberta Children's Hospital marked a huge milestone by turning 100! It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate a rich history of caring for children and families made possible by people like you, as well as a chance to reflect on how child health and wellness have advanced over the years.

Twenty years ago, we didn't talk about mental health. And this year, The Summit: Marian & Jim Sinneave Centre for Youth Resilience, Calgary's first community-based mental health centre for young people, opened its doors. We are so grateful to this community for understanding that mental health is as important as physical health and for wrapping its arms around families whose children are struggling.

This past year, our incredible community of passionate individuals, corporations, organizations, dedicated volunteers and child health experts gave more to the hospital than ever before! With generosity like this, it's clear the hospital is such a source of pride for people in our community. It's the same level of support that helped make the hospital world-class and will continue to shape child health in the next 100 years.

We hope you enjoy reading about some of the highlights that people like you helped to make possible for children and families who rely on the Alberta Children's Hospital. In a world that seems to be always changing, one thing remains constant – this community continues to show up for our kids. For that, you have our most heartfelt thanks.

Darlene Haslam
Board Chair

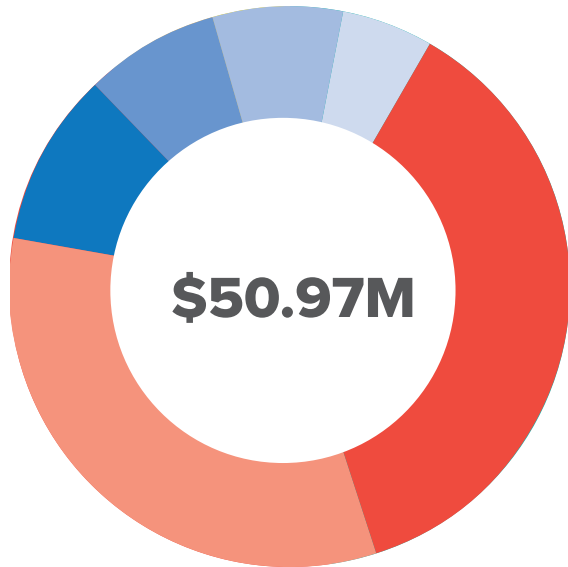
Saifa Koonar
President & CEO



WHERE YOUR MONEY GOES

Community donations are invested in Patient and Family Centred Care, Advancing Child Health, Education and Training, and Research. Here is a snapshot of your generosity and impact.

Your Generosity

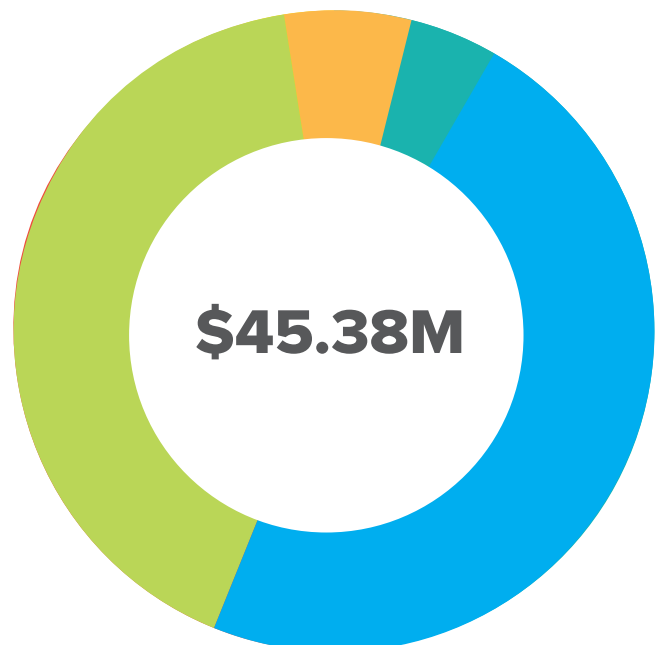


- Legacy Giving | \$18.69M**
Planned gifts extend a donor's legacy in a way that helps kids in our community now and for generations to come. These gifts can be in the form of bequests, shares, securities, life insurance policies, RRSPs and RRIFs.
- Major Gifts | \$16.78M**
Individuals, charitable foundations and corporate donors give generously to support initiatives that align with both their interests and the needs of the kids and families the Foundation serves.

- Community Events & Partnerships | \$5.09M**
Every year, numerous individuals, kids, children's groups, community leaders and local corporate partners host fundraisers, retail campaigns, lotteries, raffles and auctions, all in support of children and the experts who care for them.
- National Partnerships | \$4.02M**
National partnerships enable companies to make a difference for children within communities where their employees and customers work and live. We are proud to work with two organizations that help national and multinational corporations make an impact across the country – Canada's Children's Hospital Foundations and Children's Miracle Network.
- Special Events | \$3.77M**
Foundation events like RBC Race for the Kids and CRESCENDO and signature events like Candy Cane Gala and the Country 105 Caring for Kids Radiothon are heartwarming touchpoints that allow all of us to come together in fun and impactful ways.
- Annual Giving | \$2.62M**
Each year, individuals, corporations and service clubs give generously – monthly or with one-time gifts – to support the hospital's highest priorities needs often through the Foundation's website in response to annual appeals for support.

Where It's Changing Lives 2022/23 expenditures*

- Clinical Child Health Enhancements**
\$21.68M
- Research**
\$18.78M
- Patient and Family Centred Care**
\$2.96M
- Education and Training**
\$1.96M



* April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023

PATIENT AND FAMILY CENTRED CARE



Community support helps to ensure that, in addition to providing the best treatments possible for patients' injuries and illnesses, experts at the Alberta Children's Hospital have the resources to care for kids' and families' spirits as well. Donations ensure specially designed programming and vital resources are available for young patients and their families during their hospital journeys. Here are just a few examples of how community support impacts Patient and Family Centred Care at the Alberta Children's Hospital.

Family Supports

Every year, tens of thousands of families suddenly find themselves in unfamiliar territory when they need the Alberta Children’s Hospital. Their world is turned upside down as they face medical language, complicated equipment and uncertainty about their child’s health. It’s a time that can be stressful, intimidating and often overwhelming. Thankfully, because of donors like you, the Alberta Children’s Hospital offers special programs and services to support and empower families and lessen the stress that can accompany hospitalization. Highlights of this type of support include the Special Children’s Fund, which provides financial relief for necessities like food, gas, parking and accommodation; Video Remote Interpretation services to assist the diverse populations cared for by experts at the Alberta Children’s Hospital; and Emily’s Backyard, which provides free child-minding service for patients and siblings.



The Goal:

Ensure all families get the wrap-around support they need to help manage a child’s health journey.



3,430

Approved Special Children’s Fund Requests



1,444

Emily’s Backyard Visits



1,326

Video Remote Interpretation Hours

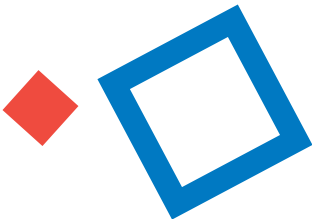


Your impact on families:

Patient M is a medically complex child whose parent lost their job suddenly. As a result, the family was struggling with the costs of formula coverage. The Special Children’s Fund was able to cover this expense for the family.

Patient E was admitted for a lengthy stay on Unit 3. Dad was suffering from a health concern that prevented him from being able to work or drive. He was a single dad with twins as Mom sadly passed away shortly after the birth. The Special Children’s fund assisted with meals, taxis, and medication for the family during their stay in hospital.

Patient T recently arrived in Canada with his brother and mother. The family did not have health benefits in place to cover the cost of his medication. As new immigrants, the family was unable to afford the out-of-pocket costs of the drug, but the Special Children’s Fund was able to cover the medication while the family got their health benefits in place.



Family and Community Resource Centre

When a family learns of a child’s diagnosis, the first place they may turn to is Google. Suddenly they are faced with endless amounts of information that can be difficult to navigate. Thankfully, because of generous donor support, the Family and Community Resource Centre (FCRC) is a hub that offers credible information and resources to help families adjust to their new reality and learn about their child’s condition. In addition to providing connections to health and community resources, the FCRC also offers family peer support, recreational toys and books for kids as well as technology for children in hospital through the Child and Youth Interactive Media Program (CHIMP).



The Goal:

Ensure all children and families have access to the information, technology and people that support care and decision-making.



553

Library Users



1,902

Children Supported with Literacy



2,811

Patient Contacts by CHIMP Staff

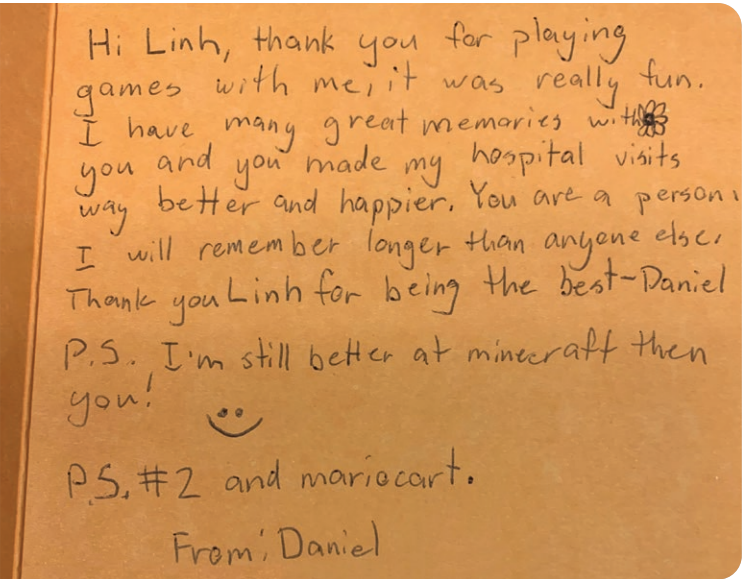


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New Technology Pieces Purchased

DID YOU KNOW?

CHIMP supports inpatients on all units, in ambulatory clinics/areas, as well as at the Gordon Townsend School at the hospital and Rotary Flames House, Alberta’s only pediatric hospice.



Therapeutic Programs

Long hospital stays can weigh heavy on young patients, which is why specialists at the Alberta Children's Hospital work with kids to find a release valve for the pressures that can build. These include the Beads of Courage program, music therapy, art therapy, horticultural therapy, special events and more – all designed to support physical, mental and emotional healing while providing a fun distraction and social interaction for kids during their time in or at the hospital.



The Goal:

Support the physical, mental and emotional healing of all kids and to reduce the anxiety and potential trauma that can be associated with serious illness and injury.



2,029

Music Therapy
Patient
Interactions



735

Horticultural
Therapy Patient
Interactions



462

Art Therapy
Patient
Interactions



88

New Patients who
Benefited from
Beads of Courage

DID YOU KNOW?

Recently,
your support
allowed music
therapists
to engage
with families
at Rotary
Flames House
through
virtual Zoom
sessions for
the first time.



“

Programs like art and music therapy allowed Madison the opportunities to express her creativity and interact with other kids during her stay at the Alberta Children's Hospital, and as parents, we couldn't be more grateful.”

– Sarah, Madison's mom



CLINICAL CHILD HEALTH ENHANCEMENTS

Donations equip hospital experts with the very best skills, treatments and tools they need to provide world-class clinical care. They also fund programs and services that extend the reach of hospital caregivers into the community and across Alberta, southwestern Saskatchewan and southeastern British Columbia. Here are just a few areas of care that are both innovative and essential to children and families.

Rotary Flames House

Located next door to the Alberta Children's Hospital, Rotary Flames House is one of only six pediatric hospices in Canada and the only one in Alberta.

Modeled after a two-storey home, it is designed to be a place of sanctuary for families and children. Care is provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week by a team of trained healthcare professionals committed to ensuring each child and family's physical, developmental, emotional, spiritual and cultural needs are met in a sensitive and compassionate manner. Community donations support services that include respite care, end-of-life care, symptom management, transition care, grief support and bereavement care.



The Goal:

Be a home away from home for medically complex children, where they can enjoy fun experiences and special programming tailored to their interests and needs, while their parents rest and recharge. It's also a place of comfort for parents treasuring final moments with a child and where they can gather with others grieving unimaginable losses, all while surrounded by supportive and loving caregivers.

“

We can drop him off at Rotary Flames House knowing he is in the hands of caring, highly-trained people who understand his medical needs and that he is in a place he truly loves to be.”

– Megan, Julian's mom



DID YOU KNOW?

Just like their peers at the hospital, young patients at Rotary Flames House can get their hands dirty in horticultural therapy sessions and create music and art thanks to donor funding for Therapeutic Arts.



260

Admissions for Respite, End-of-Life or Symptom Care



1,598

Total Nights of Stay



1,258

Grief Counselling Sessions



190

Parents who Relied on Grief Support



63

Volunteers



2,670

Volunteer Hours

Hospital at Home

Current therapies for cancer, as well as life-threatening blood and immune disorders, can be incredibly taxing – both physically and mentally – on children and their families. To help ease some of their hardship, community support makes it possible for specialists to provide a whole new level of family centred care through Hospital at Home – the first program of its kind for children in Canada. This service sends specially trained nurses to administer certain medications, chemotherapies and other supportive therapies to patients in the comfort of their own homes.



DID YOU KNOW?

Many patients and families living outside Calgary have been unable to benefit from the Hospital at Home program. In late 2022, the Alberta Children’s Hospital and Ronald McDonald House Charities partnered to manage a suite in a nearby apartment building where out-of-town patients and families could receive supportive care and treatment outside of the hospital setting.



The Goal:
Reduce patient and family stress, increase satisfaction and quality of life for patients, and reduce inpatient stays for those cared for by the Hospital at Home team.



82

Patients Cared for by Hospital at Home Team



1,138

Number of Home Visits



67

Number of Medicines available through Hospital at Home



52

Hospital Inpatient Days Avoided



1,086

Hospital Day Treatment Clinic Days Avoided

Pediatric Critical Care Transport Team

Critical illness or injury are not confined to the Calgary area. Children throughout Alberta, southeastern British Columbia and southwestern Saskatchewan face life-threatening health crises, too. For those living in rural centres without immediate access to specialized care, the Pediatric Critical Care Transport Team from the Alberta Children's Hospital is their lifeline. Created in 2012 thanks to donations from the community, the transport team is comprised of critical care physicians, nurses and respiratory therapists who work together like a mobile ICU unit, providing life-saving care during emergency transports by ground or air. In addition to longer distance transports, the team is also called upon to keep severely sick or injured children safe when they need to be transferred to other areas of the hospital.

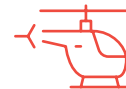


The Goal:

Provide highly specialized care for critically ill or injured pediatric patients requiring emergent or urgent transportation to the Alberta Children's Hospital; improve outcomes and reduce mortality, and support and disseminate pediatric critical care knowledge and education to hospital Emergency Departments, especially in rural communities, by providing in-person and virtual training.



Donors have generously supported the program by helping to purchase new equipment through fundraising events like the Country 105 Caring for Kids Radiothon, and, more recently, helped with staffing support in the form of a Transport Coordinator.



302

Transports



340

Internal Transports



17

Training Visits to
Rural Communities

DID YOU KNOW?

The 2022/23 winter brought with it a surge of respiratory illnesses that saw the number of transport team calls rise. In December of 2022 alone, the team was dispatched, on average, twice a day.



Acute at Home



Thanks to generous donors, young people facing mental health challenges in our community are receiving care in their own homes. This innovative model of care ensures children and teens are able to access supports in a way that best works for them and their families. From Zoom chats to community coffee shops, and living rooms to schools, Acute at Home clinicians provide comprehensive counselling and connection outside of a hospital setting, making it easier for young patients and families to get the care they need when they need it most.

“Acute at Home was the biggest gift we could have received.”

– Maria, Kris' mom



The Goal:

Support kids who need help but do not need to be hospitalized, in the comfort of their own homes and communities. Families receive counselling and assessment services from experts who also help parents navigate the healthcare system and work with schools and families to support kids in their learning environments.



714

Total Patients Seen



50.1

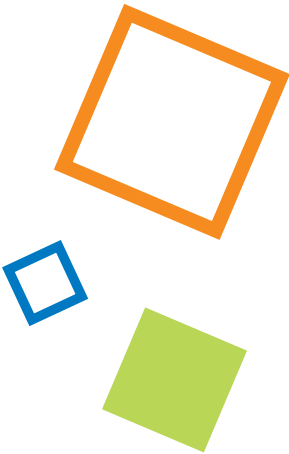
Average Treatment Length (in Days)



3,523

Number of Patient Interactions

(Phone, In-person or Virtual)



The Summit

Creation of The Summit: Marian & Jim Sinneave Centre for Youth Resilience was made possible through the Build Them Up campaign launched in 2018. Our community gave more than \$50 million to fund construction as well as innovative program and research enhancements. Thanks to a partnership among Alberta Health Services, the University of Calgary, the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation and thousands of generous donors, The Summit, Calgary's first community-based mental health centre for young people, is now open.

Located at 1015 – 17 Street NW, The Summit provides three new resources for kids, teens, and their families: the Owerko Family Walk In Services, the Tallman Family Treatment Services and the Ptarmigan Day Hospital. These services and other programs provide mental health support for young people up to the age of 18 with the aim of helping them address issues as early as possible. Here are some statistics since The Summit opened in March of 2023:



The Goal:

Augment and integrate with the overall continuum of care currently provided through the Alberta Health Services Child & Adolescent Addiction, Mental Health and Psychiatry Program and other important community agencies; provide families with greater access to timely assessments, intervention and therapy; and help reduce admissions and lengths of hospital stays for children and teens.

Patients Seen: 620

- 12 & under → 216
- 13 & over → 404

Total Visits: 853

- 12 & under → 310
- 13 & over → 543



Owerko Family Walk In Services offers no-cost therapy sessions for children, youth and families who need help with specific issues and possible solutions. These services are available from 10 am to 10 pm, seven days per week.



30-35

Families Enrolled
at One Time
on Average

Tallman Family Treatment Services helps young people manage acute escalating symptoms to prevent or reduce the need for hospitalization. This is a “step-up” program. Patients are referred to this service from community clinics if they are not experiencing improvements in how they are currently managing concerns.

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Patients Cared for
at the Ptarmigan
Day Hospital



Ptarmigan Day Hospital is the city's first pediatric mental health day hospital, helping youth transition from around-the-clock inpatient care to eight to 10 hours of daily intensive therapy in a community setting.

Top referral sources:

- Foothills Medical Centre → 24
- Alberta Children's Hospital → 13
- South Health Campus → 7

NOTE: These numbers reflect the first 100 days of care at The Summit since its opening on March 13, 2023.



EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Support from the community enables education and training opportunities for hospital staff, families and other care providers in the community.

KidSIM

In 2005, our generous community helped establish the KidSIM Pediatric Simulation program at the Alberta Children’s Hospital, an invaluable resource for medical experts, families and schools. It has become one of the premiere simulation programs in the world with impacts realized on a local, provincial, national and international scale and crosses the areas of education, patient safety, clinical research and patient and family centred care. Through KidSIM, caregivers practice emergency scenarios on high-fidelity, life-like mannequins to keep their skills as sharp as possible. Family members of children with complex medical needs and other significant people in their lives, such as teachers, can also learn to handle emergency situations. This allows many children and families a new level of independence and quality of life, reducing their reliance on hospital care.



The Goal:
Ensure hospital experts and families are prepared for the wide range of life-saving challenges they may face at any given moment on any given day.



SIMULATION
TRAINING

534

Sessions

2,224

Hours



MOBILE
EDUCATION

20

Days

15

Site Visits



SCHOOLS/
DAYCARES

11

Site Visits

156

Staff Trained



3,851
Learners



90

Families
Trained



12

Publications



3,941

Publication
Citations



6

Grants
Secured

“

KidSIM allowed us to practice everything we needed to get our baby home. There’s nothing like being home, where Ely could meet family, play with her brother, go for walks outside – she had never even been outside or breathed fresh air before. KidSIM gave her the opportunity to live her life and gave us the chance to be together as a family.”

– Aliya, Ely’s mom

Mental Health Literacy



Thanks to a pilot project funded by the community, local specialists have become national leaders in providing mental health literacy programs in junior high and high schools. The program was so well received that Alberta Health Services has taken over funding and expanded it to schools across the province. Donations have also enabled the team to recently develop materials tailored for elementary schools so younger students can benefit. The work on this project is just beginning and will be developed jointly with education partners, parents, youth and mental health professionals.



The Goal:

Help professionals who work with children – teachers, doctors and frontline care providers – to better understand and address mental health issues in school and in the community, ultimately leading to more timely and appropriate intervention, broad-based prevention and reduced social stigma.



12

School Divisions
Across Alberta



3,500

School-Aged
Participants (Grades 4-6)

What field-testers are saying:

“Activities were great! Very well laid out and the kids really engaged with them. It was very easy to facilitate a conversation about when to get help and who to go to when we need help.”

“I can firmly say that introducing this in elementary is where this curriculum needs to be. They are like sponges in grades 4/5, waiting to soak all of this stuff up. As a parent, educator and a mental health clinician, I am very happy to see this curriculum resource being rolled out in elementary!”

Many primary care providers, such as family physicians and pediatricians, report feeling ill-equipped to diagnose and manage mental health concerns in young patients and often default to referring them elsewhere. Canadian Research and Education for the Advancement of Child Health (CanREACH) is a mini fellowship program that provides primary care providers with the knowledge and confidence they need to diagnose pediatric mental health issues and often develop and oversee treatment plans within their own practice. This means many kids and families have access to the care they need sooner and closer to home.



The Goal:

Better equip care providers with the knowledge needed to get families the right kind of care as quickly as possible, minimize trips to emergency departments and reduce the need for specialist referrals.



177

Primary Care
Providers Trained



4

Group Training
Sessions

DID YOU KNOW?

Since 2019, more than

**700 primary
care providers**

across Alberta have been CanREACH trained. With a very conservative estimate of an average physician caseload in Alberta being 1,000 patients, 23% of which are youth, this equates to ~160,000 Alberta youth gaining access to improved mental health care in their communities.

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This course has single-handedly increased my confidence in assessing and managing pediatric mental health cases.”

– Dr. Linda Jarrett



RESEARCH



Thanks to generous community support, a new generation of scientists is fueling the research engine at the University of Calgary and the Alberta Children's Hospital. The Alberta Children's Hospital Research Institute (ACHRI) is composed of hundreds of researchers and trainees who are tackling a range of child health problems with far-reaching impacts designed to refine treatments, uncover new cures, and ultimately improve the quality of life for kids, here at home and all over the world.

Alberta Children’s Hospital Research Institute

More than 40 years of community support has helped the University of Calgary recruit and retain one of the largest and most productive concentrations of child health scientists in the country: The Alberta Children’s Hospital Research Institute (ACHRI).

That critical mass – and the team’s nationally recognized success – inspired the University of Calgary to become the first in Canada to declare child health and wellness a campus-wide priority. It also helped launch the *One Child Every Child* initiative, which in February 2023 was awarded \$125 million in funding from the Canada First Research Excellence Fund – the single-largest grant ever awarded to an Alberta university.

One Child Every Child is a Canada-first research, scholarship, and implementation initiative with a vision for Canadian children to be the healthiest, most empowered and thriving in the world. The team’s knowledge-to-action strategy spans biomedical discovery, care transformation, social innovation, health system innovation, policy renewal, and technology transfer along parallel paths that recognize both Indigenous and non-Indigenous ways. *One Child Every Child* addresses key health inequities experienced by mothers and children and advances evidence-based Equity, Diversity, Inclusion practices through national community partnerships. This groundbreaking grant has placed child health on the national agenda like never before and is an incredible opportunity to transform outcomes for children, families and communities.



The Goal:
Generate new knowledge in child health and translate these basic and clinical research discoveries into better healthcare practices and policies, which will help provide a healthier future for children and their families.

\$76.6M External Funding Secured

\$1.48M ACHF Support for Training and Education

\$2.1M ACHF Support for New Faculty Start-ups, Matching and Bridging



372
ACHRI Members



545
ACHRI Trainees



59
Trainees Funded by ACHF Awards

Looking Ahead

On April 26, 2023, the Government of Alberta approved planning for a new Centre for Research & Innovative Care at the Alberta Children’s Hospital. Business planning will determine the size, scope, and cost of the new Centre.

The vision is to provide research-infused care to all children who enter the hospital. Right now, pediatric hospitals across Canada care for children whose conditions are acute, chronic, complex, and often undiagnosed. The new Centre will help address historic gaps in child-focused research, knowledge and innovation. It will be purpose-built and enable biomedical specialists, data scientists, physicians, nurses and therapists to work side by side under one roof to quickly translate research into better health outcomes for children.

Research Highlights

Taking steps into the future

Thanks to community support, kids with limited mobility are treading new ground – quite literally – thanks to innovative Canadian technology called Trexo. The Trexo gait trainer is a wearable robotic device that helps children with disabilities and motor impairments experience walking. It works by supporting a child within an adjustable frame while gently moving their legs in a preset custom gait pattern.

Dr. Elizabeth Condliffe, a neuroscientist with ACHRI and Hotchkiss Brain Institute at the University of Calgary, and her team are working with dozens of young people at the Alberta Children's Hospital to examine how using Trexo affects rehabilitation, help them overcome physical and social barriers, and potentially prevents the onset of chronic medical conditions.

Researchers observed many examples of how the Trexo improves lives for kids like Nina. Thanks to Trexo, Nina took an average of 865 steps per week - 865 more steps than she could have taken without it.

Their research could pave the way for more kids to benefit from this innovative technology.



DID YOU KNOW?

In 2022/23, ACHRI researchers published more than 1,700 unique papers, which appeared in some of the top scientific journals, such as Cell, Nature, Journal of the American Medical Association and The Lancet.



Mind over matter

Pediatric neurologist, Dr. Adam Kirton continues to push the boundaries of brain and mental health with his groundbreaking work with Brain Computer Interface (BCI) technology for children. Wearing a special headset, children with severe mobility and speech limitations can concentrate on certain words that signal the BCI technology to control a variety of devices.

Claire has cerebral palsy and though she cannot walk or talk, Claire is intellectually intact and highly aware.

Through BCI, Claire can use her brain to do things her body cannot. Using only her mind, Claire can switch on toys, play video games and roll mechanical dice during family game nights. She can even operate the blender to help her mom make her favourite milkshakes and smoothies.



Changing the course of mental health care for kids

While serving as an innovative clinical care facility, The Summit: Marian & Jim Sinneave Centre for Youth Resilience is also one of the most research-intensive mental health facilities for young people in Canada. It represents a unique opportunity to invite families to participate in a wide range of studies to ultimately advance evidence-based best practice therapies that will help young people here and around the world. Here are a few examples of research led by local scientists:



OBSESSIVE COMPULSIVE DISORDER (OCD)

Researchers have discovered specific genes associated with traits of this disorder. Such discoveries may one day help care providers identify a child's risk for specific mental health concerns and provide personalized treatments informed by their genetic profile.



PERSONALIZED PRESCRIPTIONS

The Summit is home to Canada's first evidence-based pharmacogenetic testing service in child mental health. Using a child's DNA collected from saliva, experts will be able to better tailor medications to a child based on genetic markers. The data will provide scientists with invaluable information that will enable future discoveries and better treatments.



BRAIN STIMULATION

Repetitive Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (rTMS) is a non-invasive way to target and "wake up" specific areas of the brain. Already an effective treatment for depression in adults, researchers are now starting a clinical trial to understand whether rTMS may benefit children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD).

Research Highlights

Tackling childhood cancers and blood disorders

For nearly a century, the mainstay of cancer therapy has been surgery, radiation and chemotherapy.

With support from our generous community, the Alberta Cellular Therapy and Immune Oncology Initiative (ACTION) team has been developing next-generation cellular immunotherapies – a new form of cancer treatment that harnesses a child's own immune system to tackle their particular cancer.

UCalgary scientists and Alberta Children's Hospital clinician-researchers are now perfectly positioned to create a new Centre for Cancer Immunotherapy to bolster care by developing three innovative research platforms to accelerate discovery, manufacture designer cell therapies and conduct clinical trials.

NEW CURES FOR CANCER

Meanwhile, the donor-supported Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Experimental and Novel therapies eXcellence (PHOENIX) program is working to bring more clinical trials and novel therapies to local children facing a cancer diagnosis. This team aims to double the number of clinical trials available at the hospital so every child who is eligible can enroll – offering them hope for a better future while providing the care team the opportunity to learn more from every treatment they provide.



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Immunotherapies
in development
through ACTION

LIFE AFTER CANCER

In order to help children and teenagers thrive after surviving cancer, it's important to understand the factors that impact their physical and mental health now and in the future.

Your support has enabled the Improving Care and Outcomes across the Childhood Cancer Trajectory (IMPACCT) initiative, which aims to develop a new, mobile health platform for the collection of patient feedback on their physical and mental health experience. Psychosocial oncology experts at the Alberta Children's Hospital will systematically assess real-time information from childhood cancer patients in the active treatment phase – and ideally for the rest of their lives – and harness the information to develop evidence-based interventions to optimize their physical and mental wellbeing.



VOLUNTEERS



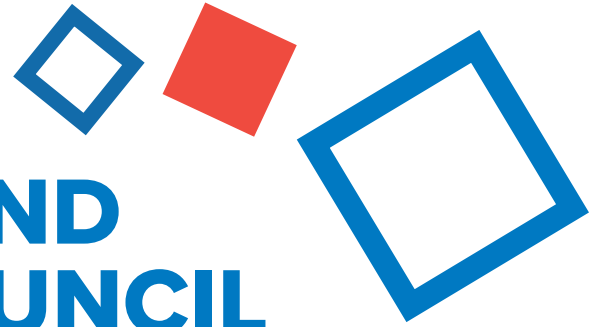
If you experienced the Candy Cane Gala last year, took part in the RBC Race for the Kids at Heritage Park, phoned in a donation during the Country 105 Caring for Kids Radiothon, or attended any of the multitude of community events that supported the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation and celebrated 100 years of hope and healing in the community, chances are you were helped by a volunteer.

Our amazing volunteers are woven into so much of what happens at the Foundation. These generous and dedicated community members are part of the fabric of the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation and the hospital alike. They are fundamental to the support the Foundation is able to provide to the hospital and the children and families it serves.

In 2022/23: 
650 volunteers
supported 25 events and
contributed more than
**2,500 hours of
valuable time**
to the Foundation.



BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND PATRONS' COUNCIL



Our Board of Directors are community leaders unwavering in their commitment to achieving the best health and best future for all children and families. Their expertise and tremendous compassion help drive innovation and impact in all that we do. In addition to our Board of Directors, the Alberta Children's Hospital Foundation is fortunate to benefit from the support of our Patrons' Council – incredible champions for children's health whose generosity, advocacy and actions reflect their commitment to our community.

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