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What's new?

The Alberta Health Services Chronic Pain Centre Physiotherapy Tele-consult Service is now open to public/private physiotherapists in the Central, Calgary & South Zones.

The aim is to provide confidential support to physiotherapists by physiotherapists experienced in working with the chronic pain population. We are able to answering questions and provide information on topics including, but not limited to, some of the following examples: early identification of flags for patients vulnerable to developing chronic pain, treatment planning, teamwork & working with/educating other health professionals, access to & way finding of existing services and guidance regarding appropriate referrals to the Chronic Pain Centre in Calgary.

Due to some early inquiries we have also added an OT and Kinesiologist as part of our consultation team. If you would like to speak with either of these professionals please request 'OT' or 'Kin' when you call to book an appointment.

This initiative aims to enhance the knowledge of existing services and help optimize physiotherapy service delivery. We also want to learn what your challenges and rewards are working with this population. The data collected via the pilot project will help shed light on what kind of information and support physiotherapists seek to help optimize patient care. The ultimate objective is to increase efficacy of existing resources, provide support to physiotherapists, reduce waitlists and help to support Albertans to lead higher functioning better quality lives.

We are in the early stages of making this service available to physicians and will keep you informed of these developments.

To book a PT Teleconsult call 403-955-8250.

Kind regards,

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