Summertime is upon us and many will be spending vacation days with family. For our faculty's students, summer marks the opportunity to move to the next stage of their education or career. We recently welcomed 250 new residents into our programs at the U of A. In August, we will be in Toronto with local alumni to help welcome our UAlberta medicine graduates as they settle into a new city and establish a routine for their residency.

In this month’s White Coats we talk to Melissa McLellan, '17 MSc, who will be heading to London to start her PhD at the prestigious Francis Crick Institute.

We also highlight 50 years of infectious diseases research at UAlberta. George Goldsand, '59 MD, pioneered this area of research at our university and received the 2016 American College of Physicians Laureate award.

Speaking of awards, you can get to know 2017 Alumni Horizon Award winner, Nicole Cardinal, '12 MD.

I hope you are able to enjoy some time with your family and friends this summer. Don’t forget to mark your calendar for our Alumni Weekend activities on September 22 – 25.
Alumni Horizon Award: Nicole Cardinal
Nicole Cardinal, '12 MD, physician at Saddle Lake, AB and recipient of the U of A Alumni Horizon Award, shares about her passion for rural medicine. Watch video

50 years of infectious diseases research at UAlberta
George Goldsand's, '59 MD, appointment at UAlberta 50 years ago marked the beginning of our division of infectious diseases. Read more

Cheers to Canadian beers
Greg Zeschuk, '90 BMedSc, '92 MD, is one of the alumni featured in this Canada 150 recap of innovative Canadian brewers. (Image: BlindEnthusiasm.ca) Read story

Q & A: Melissa McLellan
Just months away from starting her PhD at The Francis Crick Institute, biochem alumna Melissa McLellan, '17 MSc, shares her story and tips for success. Read here

Research News

UAlberta expertise brings DeepMind lab to Edmonton

NO OUCH study looks for best ways to treat kids' physical pain
Leading AI research company DeepMind will open in Edmonton its first international research base outside the UK. It will have close ties to U of A researchers including Department of Medicine’s Patrick Pilarski. Read story

A research project, led by FoMD pediatric emergency medicine physician Samina Ali, is set to get underway and will answer big unknowns about how to safely treat kids who arrive at the hospital in pain. Read story

What’s up at FoMD

Welcome, new UAlberta residents!
On June 29, the new group of FoMD medical residents attended an exciting orientation session. If you want to volunteer or speak at future resident events, let us know here.

Starlight Performance Camp helps sick kids shine
U of A medical students hosted a free performing arts camp for kids with chronic illnesses and disabilities. Watch Global News video

Upcoming Events

Volunteering Opportunities
We're looking people from across Canada to build a list of alumni speakers. Do you have a hidden talent? A keynote address? Interesting research? Tell us about it here.

Want to help find new ways to prevent illness, detect diseases, and test new treatments? Volunteer your time to participate in health research at bethecure.ca.
Upcoming Alumni Events

August 17, 6 p.m.
Welcome to new Toronto Residents
**Speaker:** Dr. Seema Marwaha, '08 MD, filmmaker, physician and educator.
Red Wine Tavern, 77 Adelaide St. West, First Canadian Place, Toronto, O.N.
Free event – [Register](#) by August 14

September 9, 2 p.m.
MSA & Alumni Barbeque
Dr. Francescutti's acreage

September 22 & 23
Alumni Weekend – Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry activities
(Kick-off BBQ, TGIF, gala dinner, luncheon, tours and more)

September 25, 6:30 p.m.
University of Alberta Alumni Awards
Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium

Register for Alumni Weekend events [here](#).

For more information about events, visit our [alumni calendar](#).

Tell us more!

How far have you gone?
What is the name of the city that is the furthest from your home town that you've ever moved to? How far away was it? Share your story at fomdalum@ualberta.ca

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