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A key part of improving patient care is the routine collection of health outcome measures that reflect the effect of a healthcare service for subsequent analysis and improvement. A provincial clinical information system (CIS) provides a unique data-capture platform for the standardization of health and patient-reported outcome measures as a regular part of the care process. If you are an active clinician with knowledge and interest in the collection and analysis of health and patient-reported outcome measures, we encourage you to apply to become a Connect Care Physician Builder.

Physician Builders

Builders promote good design and meaningful CIS use through deep involvement in Connect Care. They train for Epic Physician Certification and build organizational capacity for CIS customization, optimization, content development, testing, and surveillance. Builders bridge clinical and technical mindsets by improving characterization of user needs while easing pathways to solutions. In short, Builders help organize the CIS user population and improve two-way communication between them and the Information Technology team members.

Builders are typically clinicians who enjoy being involved in CIS-related projects with an eye on the broader goal of organizational improvement. They may have strong technical skills as well, though this is not an absolute requirement. For more information on Physician Builder training, please contact the Medical Informatics Program of the CMIO at mip@ahs.ca.

Travel Support for Physician Builder Training

The Alberta SPOR SUPPORT Unit (AbSPORU) Pragmatic Clinical Trials (PCT) Platform would like to support and encourage training for Physician Builders who have existing knowledge and interest in the routine collection of health outcome measures. We are offering a limited number of travel stipends for eligible Physician Builder applicants who intend to use their skills to promote the collection of health and patient-reported outcome measures within the CIS. Please indicate these intentions and your need for travel support on your Physician Builder application form and send to the PCT Platform before submission to the CMIO. Travel stipends will be distributed with consideration of clinical program area. Physician Builder Applications sent to the PCT Platform on or before May 24, 2019 will be considered for the first round of travel support. All applicants and other interested parties will be encouraged to participate in future AbSPORU training opportunities regarding the collection and use of health and patient-reported outcome measures.

Requests for PCT Travel Support should be sent to the Associate Director of the PCT Platform: Mari Boesen (meboesen@ucalgary.ca)