

# Alberta Netcare Newsletter

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## Welcome to the First Edition!

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### Initiative Spotlight

**Community Information Integration (CII)** helps providers send patient information to Alberta Netcare. **Central Patient Attachment Registry (CPAR)** identifies relationships between patients and their primary provider.

Together, CII/CPAR enhance continuity of care among a patient's health providers and improve health outcomes. eNotifications are sent to providers when their patients receive care.

The two-way link between EMRs and Alberta Netcare ensures timely access to health care information throughout a patient's care team.

For more information, visit [CII/CPAR](#) on the Alberta Netcare Learning Centre. Find out if your clinic is eligible for CII/CPAR by visiting the [Alberta Medical Association \(AMA\) website](#). Sign up for CII/CPAR [here](#)!

### New Billing Codes

New billing codes are available April 1st 2025, for physicians participating in the [Primary Care Physician Compensation Model \(PCPCM\)](#). These new time-based billing codes are for physicians' time spent on direct, indirect, and after-hours patient care. To accurately submit claims for services, confirm with your EMR vendor that these new billing codes are accessible.

Learn more about [time-based payments](#).



### Releases/New Features

- **Alberta Netcare Portal - Nov 2024**
- **eReferral - Jun 2024**

#### Alberta Netcare Portal Release:

Now upgraded to provide a modernized overview of patient information in a dynamic layout.

The new Dashboards tab has been added for clinicians to view patient health information at a glance. The Patient Quick View functionality presents recent health information in a dynamic layout with filtering options and expandable sections.

For more details, review the [Release Notes](#).

#### eReferral Release:

The Alberta Netcare Portal eReferral has been upgraded to improve the user experience for referring, receiving, and triaging users.

The Advice Request has been renamed to eConsult, and the Consult Request is now named Referral. New specialties in eConsult offer more targeted care.

Review the [eReferral Bulletin](#) for more details, or sign up for a [live webinar](#).



## Important Reminder

IDSM is an application used to enter administered immunizations, assessments, and historical immunizations into the Alberta Health repository. It supports health care providers in reporting immunizations and immunization assessments.

Starting in December, facilities using AHS Identity & Access Management (IAM) no longer need the IDSM User Registration Form for registration. IDSM Authorized Approvers can now manage access to IDSM directly through AHS IAM.

For more information, visit [IDSM](#) on the Alberta Netcare Learning Centre.

## Tips and Tricks

### Confirm patient demographic and health care eligibility



PD is an application within the Alberta Netcare Electronic Health Record (EHR). You can easily search for and update patient demographic information using PD, as well as determine Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan (AHCIP) coverage eligibility.

For more information, visit [Person Directory](#) on the Alberta Netcare Learning Centre.

### Do you use Alberta Netcare at multiple health care facilities? Here's what you need to know:

Alberta Netcare access is facility-based. If you are a community user, you must register for access at each facility where you require access to patient data. View a list of facilities where you have access by logging into Alberta Netcare Portal and navigating to the "My Details" menu. Your facilities will be listed in the "Facilities" section.

Visit the [Alberta Netcare Learning Centre](#) for more information.



## Learn more about Alberta Netcare

Our interactive webinars are designed for all Alberta Netcare users! Each session includes a 45 minute presentation followed by a 15-minute Q&A. [Register now](#) for insights on key features and best practices.

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