Welcome to the FMC Pulmonary Service! The purpose of this letter is to welcome you to our service, to provide you with some orientation information and to identify the expectation of House Staff on the Pulmonary Service.

We have an exciting block prepared for you including a 15 bed inpatient service mixed with a consult service. You will have the opportunity to work in a truly multidisciplinary team consisting of Allied Health Workers, Nurses, Respiratory Therapists, Nurse Practitioners, Clinical Assistants, Medical Students, Residents and Fellows as well as our group of Respirologists. The mix of patients will provide you with experience in a broad spectrum of pulmonary pathology.

**Formal Teaching**

*Journal Club*  
Tuesday 1200-1300 - Unit 61 conference room (lunch provided)

*Grand Rounds*  
Thursday 1300-1400 - Coombs Lecture Theatre

*Chest Radiology Rounds*  
Friday 0700-0800 - John’s Lecture Theatre (coffee/muffins)

*Pulmonary Division Rounds*  
Friday 0800-0900 - John’s Lecture Theatre

IPM Rounds  
Wednesday 1500-1600 - Unit 61 conference room

Sleep Medicine Rounds  
Wednesday 1200-1300 - O’Brien Centre 1500

Respiratory Research Rounds  
Thursday 1200-1300 - O’Brien Centre 1500 (usually)

*denotes mandatory attendance, otherwise depends on topic/discretion of Attending Physician

**Unit 61 Details**

Unit 61 is our admitting unit that we share with the Thoracic Surgery Team and the Cystic Fibrosis service. The nurses have special certification in BIPAP, advanced chest tube management, and post-op thoracic surgery care. The unit also has a four-bed room of telemetry ICU step down (for thoracic surgery patients), and a procedure room (room 679). All patients admitted to Pulmonary are to be admitted to the Respiratory Service, **Unit 61 only**, unless authorized by the attending physician. The pulmonary capacity is 15 in-patients (although sometimes we are required to exceed this capacity at the discretion of the attending physician).

- The team meets on the first day of the rotation and each Monday morning at 0800 in the Doctor’s Lounge for handover. Other days the team will meet on Unit 61 at 0800 (or after rounds on Friday). If Monday is a STAT holiday, meet in the Doc’s Lounge Tuesday at 0800.
- Admissions and urgent consults seen while on call must be reviewed with an attending.
- Patient admissions require documentation of the full History and Physical, Medication Reconciliation sheet, and Orders including Goals of Care documentation. The division is encouraging residents to utilize the AECOPD order set in Sunrise, when appropriate.
- Rounds begin daily at 10 am on Unit 61. Residents are expected, where possible, to have seen the inpatients assigned to you and have a documented note with plan prior to rounds.
• **Discharge summaries /Transfer Notes** are to be completed at time of discharge or transfer (but the resident is encouraged to work on these in advance). **Notify the Attending Physician that there is a Discharge summary in Sunrise that requires finalization** by the Attending.

• **When completing a discharge**, If a patient needs a follow-up appointment, the expectation is that a **phone message is left with the Physician’s office in addition to the documentation in the discharge summary**. (Contact info is contained later in this document).

• Unit 61 nurses and allied health professionals are specially trained and very experienced in dealing with our specialized patients. Open communication is actively encouraged between members of the Unit 61 team. “If you do not know, call” also applies to the nursing and allied health professionals.

• If a timely response or an adequate response is not obtained from Residents, immediate involvement of the staff Respirologist is encouraged. If you are unable to come to work on a regular work day, please notify the attending and the attending will notify the other team members.

**Clinical Clerks**

You will be at FMC for a two-week inpatient rotation with no call requirements.

**On Call**

• When on call, all PARA rules for home call apply. **Holiday requests must be made 8 weeks prior to the rotation with your program director.**

• If you are unable to fill a scheduled call shift you are required to find an acceptable replacement except in extenuating circumstances (illness/bereavement).

• If you are called during your call shift for a non-urgent admission before 0700 the consult should be seen promptly (no holding of patients in ER for the team to see in the morning).

• Any admissions/consults/issues addressed during your call shift must be reviewed with the attending physician in-person, unless the attending agrees otherwise (exception: if post call day falls on a weekend/holiday/scheduled day off you may phone in to an attending for handover). Continuity of patient care is of paramount importance on this service and all Residents are expected to transfer responsibility of care to another resident when they leave the hospital.

• You will never be criticized for calling an attending or another senior team member with a patient concern- **if you do not know, call.**

• Submit the on-call remuneration form within 2 weeks of completion of the rotation to the program administrator and make sure to stipulate whether the call shifts are home or switch. Forms are found on the training program website (rotating resident webpage) and submission contact info is at [http://www.respiratorymedicine.ca/training.htm](http://www.respiratorymedicine.ca/training.htm)

**Review Articles**

There are some good reference articles on the computer in the Unit 61 Procedure Room in a folder labeled “Pulmonary Reference Articles” for your resource.
Prior to starting the block some very useful reading material can be found on the CTS guidelines website at http://www.respiratoryguidelines.ca. In addition, there is a great collection of review articles found at http://www.nejm.org/pulmonary.

**AMBULATORY CLINICS (IM Residents only)**

As part of a 4-week rotation, we offer a ONE week Outpatient clinic block for Internal Medicine Residents. Note: if you are taking a week of vacation within your 4 week block, we cannot offer the Outpatient clinic experience.

IM Residents: To arrange your clinic week, contact Dr. Walker (B.Walker@ucalgary.ca) to ensure the proposed week is available prior to the start of the rotation. We encourage the bulk of your outpatient clinics to be in General Respiratory and booked at the FMC, supplemented by specialty and off-site clinics (see Respirology website for clinic options under City Wide Respiratory clinic Schedule).

**Contact Numbers for the FMC Respirology Group:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Phone</th>
<th>Assistant</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Field, Stephen</td>
<td>403-220-8722</td>
<td>Doreen</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Flemons, Ward</td>
<td>403-220-8722</td>
<td>Doreen</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hanly, Pat</td>
<td>403-210-8694</td>
<td>Leah</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hergott, Chris</td>
<td>403-210-3866</td>
<td>Angie</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Leigh, Richard</td>
<td>403-220-8981</td>
<td>Angela</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MacEachern, Paul</td>
<td>403-220-6882</td>
<td>Cheryl</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mody, Chris</td>
<td>403-220-8479</td>
<td>Elizabeth</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tremblay, Alain</td>
<td>403-210-3866</td>
<td>Angie</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Walker, Brandie</td>
<td>403-220-4135</td>
<td>Lydia</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Evaluations**

Evaluations will be completed electronically by the Attendings that you work with. We encourage you to ask for feedback weekly during your rotations.

**QUESTIONS?**

If you have any questions regarding the rotation, please feel free to email Dr. Brandie Walker at B.Walker@ucalgary.ca.

*Updated February 2016*