

# PATIENT AND FAMILY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Cuthbert Lab & Oncology Outcomes

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## WELCOME

Our team is growing! Between Oncology Outcomes and Cuthbert Lab, we have recently onboarded 4 new summer students/interns who will be assisting with various projects over the next 4 months.

We are also in the process of interviewing for 4 new staff positions and hope to have these positions filled over the coming weeks, including a new Research Associate, Statistical Associate, Research Assistant and Data Management Specialist. These new team members will be crucial in helping us reach our research goals.

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# Study Recruitment

Ongoing Recruitment

We continue to actively recruit participants for several studies right now, including:

- Healthcare Provider and Patient Views on Prescribing Opioids for Cancer Patients
- Patients Perspectives of Value Frameworks Used to Guide Oncology Treatment Decisions

If you think the studies might be relevant to your contacts, please feel free to share the website links.

Details of each study can be found at:  
<https://www.cuthbertlab.com/news>



## 02 Updates

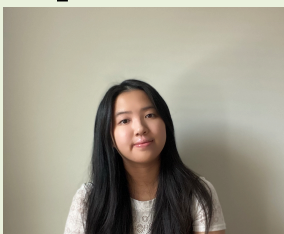
**A-CAPTAIN Study:** Hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) in **Alberta, Canada:** retrospective database **A**nalysis to understand treatment **PaT**terns and **A**ssess clinical outcomes in **I**ntermediate and advanced **u**Nresectable HCC



In 2019, an estimated 3,000 people were diagnosed with liver cancers in Canada, and of these, 1,400 were expected to die from their disease. Of the 3,000 diagnosed, 75% (2,250) were expected to have hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC), 70% (1,575) of whom are expected to receive best supportive care only. This number is likely to increase over time in Canada for a variety of reasons.

Systemic treatment of unresectable hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) is rapidly evolving. We are interested in evaluating Canadian-specific data on treatment patterns, clinical outcomes, including survival in intermediate and advanced stage unresectable HCC (BCLC B and C, respectively), which will improve the current understanding of the treatments and unmet needs in HCC.

## Cuthbert Lab Updates



We would like to introduce Ms. Kaitlin See, one of our summer research students. Kaitlin is an undergraduate student at the University of Calgary where she is completing her Biomedical Sciences degree. She is a summer research student for the Cuthbert lab, working on a literature review for a grant proposal and developing new social media strategies for the lab. Kaitlin is assisting with the PFAC over the summer, will be joining our summer meeting, and may be reaching out for input on our grant applications. We are thrilled to have her as part of the team!

# Member Spotlight

Learn more about council member Don Wood

In my spare time I love to golf and ski locally.

My favourite place I have ever travelled is Newfoundland believe it or not, the people and culture are incredible.

My favourite book/artist/movie of all time is anything about the Vietnam War.

My dream holiday is anywhere there is sun, palm trees, and slushy drinks.

I love to cook anything – it is my other passion.

If I could have any superpower, it would be the ability to heal people so that no-one ever had to face disease.

If I could choose one person to have dinner with, it would be Ray Care, Navy Seal, and someone I communicate with on social media.

My favourite comfort food is Prime Rib with my homemade Yorkshire pudding and red wine.



## Coming Up



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The next newsletter will release in June 2022.

Previous issues of the PFAC newsletter have been posted online: <https://www.cuthbertlab.com/advisory-council>

If you would like to include or update your contact information on the attached public directory, please email Christie