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SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
Wednesday, May 13, 2026 @ 5:45 PM
Council Chambers, 1 Parklane Drive, Strathmore AB

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Request for Decision

To: Council

Contact: Kevin Scoble, Chief Administrative Officer

Date Prepared: May 10, 2026

Meeting Date: May 13, 2026

SUBJECT:	Proclamation - World Family Doctor Day
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RECOMMENDED MOTION:	THAT Council proclaim May 19, 2026 as World Family Doctor Day in the Town of Strathmore.
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REPORT SUMMARY

KEY ISSUE(S):

Consideration on whether Council wishes to proclaim May 19 as Family Doctor Day in the Town of Strathmore.

OBJECTIVE:

For the Council to continue the expressed support of physicians in Town and recognize the valuable contributions made to the community.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

N/A

BACKGROUND:

The Alberta College of Family Physicians (ACFP) is celebrating the global recognition of World Family Doctor Day and has asked Alberta's municipalities to join them.

First declared by WONCA (World Organization of Family Doctors) in 2010, this annual commemoration acknowledges the outstanding contributions of family doctors in health care systems around the world.

Family physicians have the unique privilege to nurture the most trusted relationships in medicine—between patients and their family doctors—through every life stage. Their essential role in the lives of Albertans is the foundation of an integrated health care system that is accessible, comprehensive, continuity-based, and patient-centered.

“Seventy percent of health care provided in Alberta is done so by family doctors. World Family Doctor Day is a day to acknowledge the central role and contribution of family doctors in their patients' lives,” says ACFP Executive Director Terri Potter. “Now more than ever, we need to celebrate and recognize

family doctors who have been, for the majority of Albertans, their constant health care provider in an ever-changing and over-burdened system.”

[This year the Government of Alberta has declared May 19, 2026 as World Family Doctor Day in the Province.](#)

OTHER IMPLICATIONS

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES IMPACTED:



Community Connection



Managing Growth



Financial Resilience



Economic Growth



Protecting Water and Green Spaces



Community Safety and Wellbeing

HOW THE STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ARE MET:

By proclaiming May 19, 2026 as World Family Doctors Day the Town will celebrate the contributions of the many family doctors in our community.

INTERNAL IMPLICATIONS:

The internal implications are limited to the preparation of this report and arranging for the proclamation to be executed.

IMPLEMENTATION

COMMUNICATIONS:

If proclaimed the signed proclamation will be posted on the town website and shared via social media.

NEXT STEPS:

If Council authorizes this Proclamation, Administration will arrange for it to be signed and posted on the Town's website and social media.

ALTERNATIVE MOTIONS:

Council may choose to not make the proclamation.

REPORT AUTHOR:

Kara Rusk, Director of Strategic, Administrative, and Financial Services

ATTACHMENTS:

[Attachment I: Proclamation Information - World Family Doctor Day](#)

[Attachment II: World Family Doctors Day Proclamation 2026](#)

Kara Rusk, Director of Strategic, Administrative, and Financial Services

Approved
- 11 May
2026

Kevin Scoble, Chief Administrative Officer

Approved
- 12 May
2026

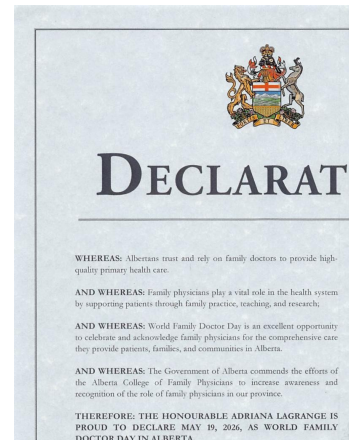
Let's Celebrate World Family I



May 19th is World Family Doctor Day (WFDD)! Join the Alberta College of Family Physicians (ACFP) in celebrating WFDD—right here in Alberta and around the globe.

[This year, the Government of Alberta \(GOA\) has declared May 19th, 2026 as World Family Doctor Day in the province.](#)

With family physicians providing 70% of health care across Alberta and Canada, WFDD presents an opportunity to thank them for being a trusted and consistent source of patient-centred care. This day is a reminder to celebrate their dedication and renew public support for their invaluable contributions.



Join the Movement!

Family doctors are at the heart of our health care system—providing care that is personal, comprehensive, and continuous. They support and build relationships with patients throughout every stage of life. **The ACFP invites you to recognize their hard work, dedication, and countless contributions in your respective communities.**

Get involved in ***Family Docs Rock!***—a public awareness campaign that honours and recognizes the value of family physicians and the unique and trusted family doctor-patient relationship. Help us celebrate them with gratitude!

Three Ways to Partake

1. Declare

Proclaim May 19 as World Family Doctor Day in your municipality, town, or city.

2. Share

[Share your stories](#) with us and we will share them with family doctors in your

3. Connect

Take a moment to say a personal thank you to your family doctor.

This aligns with the GOA declaration to promote the importance of the family medicine profession in the province.

[Download the suggested Declaration template](#)

community and post them on our website.

Help spread the word on why your family doctors rock. [Visit our promotional toolkit to help promote WFDD.](#)

Reach out to your community family physicians and clinics and express your gratitude for their ongoing support and work.

Celebrate with Us

To learn more and explore other ways to share your appreciation, visit our website: www.familydocsrock.ca.

We would greatly appreciate your support for this meaningful campaign.

Sincerely,

Georgina Altman, MBA
Executive Director
Alberta College of Family Physicians

About World Family Doctor Day

First introduced by the [World Organization of Family Doctors \(WONCA\)](#) in 2010, this annual celebration has grown into a significant moment to honour the vital role of family physicians in the health care system.

Learn More about the ACFP

The ACFP is a member-based, not-for-profit organization representing more than 6,000 family physicians, family medicine residents, and medical students across Alberta. It is the provincial chapter of the College of Family Physicians of Canada (CFPC), the credentialing body responsible for the specialty of family medicine. It supports members by providing continuing professional development (CPD) opportunities and upholding the established standards for CPD delivery set by the CFPC. For more information on the ACFP, visit www.acfp.ca.

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PROCLAMATION WORLD FAMILY DOCTOR DAY May 19, 2026

- WHEREAS** Citizens trust and rely on their family doctors to provide health care that is both timely and of the highest quality;
- AND WHEREAS** We recognize and appreciate that 70% of health care in Alberta is delivered in communities by family doctors and primary health care providers;
- AND WHEREAS** The foundation of an effective health care system for Alberta starts with strong primary health care;
- AND WHEREAS** Family Doctor Day presents the opportunity for governments, health care organizations, other professionals, and patients to recognize the vital role family doctors have.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Town of Strathmore recognizes that Family Doctor Day provides an opportunity to celebrate and acknowledge the central role family doctors have in the delivery of personal, comprehensive, and continuing health care.

NOW THEREFORE, On behalf of Council, I Pat Fule, mayor of the Town of Strathmore, do hereby proclaim May 19, 2026 as *World Family Doctor Day* in the Town of Strathmore.

Pat Fule, Mayor