



Paving Our Path to 2030

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE STRATEGIC PLAN PROGRESS UPDATE

SUMMER 2026

The College of Medicine's new strategic plan, *Paving Our Path to 2030*, was launched in October 2025. This update highlights how we started this work and the progress made towards meeting our people, education and research goals for Saskatchewan.

Since the launch of *Paving our Path to 2030*, our college has been actively engaged in its implementation. This involved developing outcome statements, identifying the key steps to achieve our goals, and establishing metrics to measure progress. This work was guided by college-level working groups for each focus area that involved almost 100 people from across the college.

Where available, baseline data has been collected to measure our progress. Going forward, we will report on our progress twice annually. Throughout the year, we will connect to share our stories and learn how we are advancing our strategic goals and commitments and living our shared values.

In the first reporting period we have attracted faculty, leaders and learners and celebrated our people across the college. We have listened and are responding to the needs of our research community. And are continuing to expand our programming, training seats, and rural training opportunities to meet Saskatchewan's health needs.

It is encouraging to see our early progress and how the plan is being implemented across focus areas and college units. Thank you for being part of our college and for all your contributions towards achieving our goals for Saskatchewan.



EDUCATION

We are skilled, engaged educators and empowered learners making meaningful contributions in our fields and communities.

OUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ First year of the Master of Physician Assistant Studies training program—one of only a few in Canada.
- ✓ Opened admissions for Saskatchewan's first Master of Occupational Therapy and Master of Speech-Language Pathology programs (starting August 2026).
- ✓ Expanded medical training with 20 new medical training seats (increasing to 128) and 10 new residency seats (increasing to 160).
- ✓ Established new training sites including the Family Medicine Northeast Site, UGME-SLIC Swift Current Site, and SRS Prince Albert Campus Clinic.

PEOPLE

We are a thriving community proud to learn, work and lead together.

OUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ Recruited 130 faculty.
- ✓ Created a working group to develop an annual staff and faculty survey.
- ✓ Revised the college awards program to align with our values and commitments, adding new awards and *Living our Values* criteria. Recognized 38 faculty and staff for their contributions and impact.
- ✓ Earned eight major awards, including four AFMC awards (tied highest nationally) and four USask awards.
- ✓ Shared 78 appreciation alerts acknowledging members of our college community.

RESEARCH

We are a network excelling in innovation, research, scholarship and quality improvement.

OUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- ✓ Recruited two Vice Deans of Research—Biomedical Science, and Clinical, Health Services and Population Health—to co-lead and strengthen our research portfolio.
- ✓ Established an Equipment and Infrastructure Working Group and completed a faculty infrastructure survey to inform strategic priorities and funding decisions.
- ✓ Launched three college-wide initiatives to advance research capacity:
 - Research Equipment Funding Program
 - Cluster Operations and Research Essentials (CORE) Funding
 - Emergency Equipment Fund.



THE IMPACT OF RURAL MEDICINE: TRAINING FUTURE DOCTORS FOR SASKATCHEWAN



RECOGNIZING OUR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE 2026 AWARDEES



>\$4.6 M (TOTAL) CIHR FUNDING AWARDED TO FIVE COLLEGE OF MEDICINE RESEARCHERS