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NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS

[The COVID-10 Pandemic & More: COVID-19 declines, cannabis concerns, and climate fiction](#) is this week's commentary from Dr. Jon Samet, dean, Colorado School of Public Health.

[Reaching out for help when no one's there](#) is this week's newsletter from Ben Miller who writes about the problem of ghost networks in the mental health provider world and what to do about them.



COMMUNITY HEALTH AND PREVENTION

[COVID relief funds for Colorado schools run out next year. But many pandemic challenges show no signs of waning.](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Erica Breunlin about how staff shortages and mental health struggles among students and teachers continue to ripple across Colorado schools three years into the pandemic.

[CU School of Medicine Launches Firearm Injury Prevention Initiative](#) is a post on the *CU Department of Emergency Medicine* site by Colleen Miracle about a new \$4.5 million campus initiative that will bring researchers, experts and communities together to prevent firearm deaths nationwide.

[Narcan at music festivals? The life-saving drug naloxone is coming to a concert near you](#) is a *USA Today* study by David Oliver about how "This Must Be the Place," a non-profit harm reduction program, will be at 25 major festivals this year to make Narcan available at those events.

[John Launer: A generation betrayed](#) is an opinion piece in *The BMJ* by John Launer who laments the demise of the NHS.

[Why involuntary treatment for addiction is a dangerous idea](#) is an opinion piece

on *Stat* by Sarah E. Wakeman about the different schools of thought surrounding this practice.



[Amid court challenges, what can states like Colorado actually do to set abortion policy?](#) is a post on *The Colorado Sun* by John Ingold about how federal court rulings in Texas and Denver show the limits of what legislatures can control when it comes to reproductive rights laws.

[Colorado hearing on “abortion reversal” reveals nationwide chaos on reproductive health](#) is a post on *The Colorado Sun* by John Ingold about how a U.S. District judge heard arguments Monday in an anti-abortion clinic’s effort to block enforcement of a new law banning the procedure.

[Colorado regulators, prosecutors won’t enforce new state law banning “abortion reversal” until medical boards weigh in](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Jesse Paul about a declaration made in court filings in a federal lawsuit against Senate Bill 190, which was signed into law by Colorado Gov. Jared Polis last week.

[Colorado clinics could soon be reimbursed for linking patients to healthy food, housing services](#) is a post in *The Colorado Sun* by Jennifer Brown about how state lawmakers want Medicaid officials to seek federal approval and begin reimbursing for work that connects patients to resources that affect overall health.

[New patient wait times in women’s health 44% longer with Medicaid vs. commercial insurance](#) is a post on *Healio* by Erin T. Welsh about how disparities in access to care continue and presents ideas about how providers can reduce wait times.

[The Untamed Rise of Hospital Monopolies](#) is an NPR story by Greg Rosalsky about the concern that less competition means hospitals can charge higher prices and get away with it. “The bizarre part of this is that many of these monopolizing hospitals are technically considered “nonprofits.”



[The Future of Population Health: Challenges & Opportunities](#) is a terrific centennial issue of *The Milbank Quarterly* containing 36 articles in six broad subject areas by a diverse set of scholars (many of our friends) looking to the future. The Farley Center’s director of education, Daniel Goldberg, co-authored one of the articles, [The Perils of Medicalization for Population Health and Health Equity](#). And colleagues Kurt Stange, Will Miller and Becca Etz authored a definitive piece, [The role of Primary Care in Improving Population Health](#).

[What's the most effective use of AI in healthcare? 30 leaders share](#) is a post on *Becker's Hospital Review* by Randi Haseman about ideas brought forth by healthcare leaders who will speak at the upcoming Becker's Health IT, Digital Health + RCM Annual Meeting: The Future of Business and Clinical Technologies October 3-6 at the Navy Pier in Chicago.

[Depressed? Anxious? Colorado's Front Range air pollution may be a factor](#) is a post in *The Colorado Sun* by Jim Robbins about how research shows long-term exposure to even low levels of fine particulate matter, NOx chemicals increase occurrence of depression, anxiety. Ozone is a factor in neurodegeneration and memory loss.



[GW Law Introduces 5 New Clinics](#) is a post on the *George Washington Law* site about the expansion of the MLP program that will draw in a wider range of faculty and enlarge the number of seats in the clinical program.

[Study Shows Involuntary Displacement of People Experiencing Homelessness May Cause Significant Spikes in Mortality, Overdoses and Hospitalizations](#) is a post on the *CU Anschutz News* site about a study that shows encampment sweeps, bans, move-along orders and cleanups that forcibly relocate individuals away from essential services will lead to substantial increases in overdose deaths, hospitalizations and life-threatening infections as well as hinder access to medications for opioid use disorder.

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