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[State Health Policy Fellowship Pilot Program](#) is a National Academies of Medicine initiative that is partnering with states to place health professionals in state government offices and provide subject matter expertise and context to local policy deliberations. For this pilot, Colorado, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin will be participating. In Colorado it will be the Eugene S. Farley, Jr. Health Policy Center that will assist with fellowship development and offer policy educational programming to the new cohort. Inaugural fellows include: 1) Brandi Freeman, MD, MS, associate professor of pediatrics and the Vice Chair for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion for the University of Colorado Department of Pediatrics and attending physician at the Child Health Clinic at the Children's Hospital of Colorado; 2) Meredith Hughes, JD, MPH, assistant professor in the Department of Health Policy and Management at the University of Pittsburgh School of Public Health. She received both her law degree and Master of Public Health from the University of Pittsburgh; and 3) Rachel Bernard, MD, MPH, FACP, medical director in the COVID Response Bureau at the Chicago Department of Public Health and assistant professor in the Department of Medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin in Milwaukee.

[Healing the Divide: A Community-Campus Forum](#) is a forum co-sponsored by the Center for Health Equity; the Office of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Community Engagement; and the CU Department of Neurology October 19, 8AM-2PM MT to be held on the Anschutz Medical Campus in the Elliman Conference Center on the second floor of the Anschutz Health Sciences Building 1890 N Revere Ct, Aurora. The forum will showcase campus efforts addressing health disparities, community voices shaping health initiatives, latest advancements in health equity research, and promotion brain health equity across the lifespan.

[Health in Primary Care](#) is a Colorado ECHO series, this one will provide an overview of adolescent reproductive health issues September 5-26 on Thursdays, 8-9:15AM MT. Another is [Part 2 of core concepts of autism](#) September 4-October 9 on Wednesdays, 12-1PM MT.

2024 Colorado Health Symposium was held last month in Keystone. For a snapshot of the event, please [click here](#).

[Depression – Screening and Treating Depression in Adolescents](#) is the final episode (13 minutes) of the four-part Double Take video miniseries (in *The New England Journal of Medicine*) on depression that reviews the prevalence of depression among adolescents as well as available screening tools and therapies for this patient population.



[As International Overdose Awareness Day approaches, Colorado needs to focus on harm reduction, not “just say no”](#) is an opinion piece in *The Colorado Sun* in which the author makes a plea for prioritizing education, compassion and evidence-based solutions as Colorado communities face “the most toxic drug supply we’ve ever seen.”

[Colorado program reimburses SNAP recipients up to \\$60 per month for fruits and vegetables](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Tatiana Flowers about how the SNAP Produce Bonus Program makes it cheaper for participants to purchase healthier foods and improve their health and nutrition, according to initiative leaders.

[Conversations with the Pioneers of Integration](#) is a series of conversations with those who were among the first to address and sometimes solve problems that are still being faced today by each new setting that attempts integration. This first interview is with Larry Mauksch and conducted by Sandy Blount in which Larry describes his relationship with Wayne Katon.

[COVID-19 cases spike in summer months. What will happen in fall 2024?](#) is a post on *UCHealth Today* by Katie Kerwin McCrimmon about the status of COVID currently and what we might expect as the seasons roll on.

[Keys to longevity for older adults: how to age well](#) is a story on *UCHealth Today* by Mary Gay Broderick that covers “Blue Zones,” alcohol use and supplements.

[If I had a million dollars](#) is this week’s letter from Ben Miller about how we might leverage scarce capital for advancing mental health.

[Colorado hopes to raise awareness of dementia, start conversations, with new campaign](#) is a *CPR* story by John Daley about an initiative by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment to build awareness about it and other dementias.

[Multiple implementation methods can assist primary care practices with CGM](#)

[use](#) is a post on *Healio* by Michael Monostra about an AAFP virtual service to help primary care clinicians in implementing continuous glucose monitoring for patients with diabetes as discussed by Bonnie Jortberg, PhD, RDN, CDCES, associate professor at the CU Department of Family Medicine and associate director of practice innovation program and director of eLearning at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus.



[Voting Is Critical to the Pursuit of Health Equity](#) is a post in *Health Affairs* by Jeanne F. Ayers and colleagues in which the authors examine what research and historical analysis tells us about how voting and health are intertwined, and describe some of the ways in which health professionals and other health care stakeholders have successfully promoted political participation.

[Higher Quality Medicaid Data Needed to Address Disparities in Preventable Hospitalizations](#) is a blog post on the *Milbank Memorial Fund* website by Claire O'Brien and colleagues about a recent report by the Urban Institute that provided new data on preventable hospitalization rates among nonelderly adults with Medicaid coverage.

[Gun violence in Colorado, U.S. is a crisis that demands a public health response](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Jonathan McMillan in which the author indicates that we all have a role to play through a public health approach for a game plan to build a safer future.



[Incarcerated Populations and Healthcare: Myths and Facts](#) is a story on the *CU Anschutz Medical Campus* website by Matthew Hastings about the results of research done by Katherine LeMasters, PhD, assistant professor in the CU Division of General Internal Medicine that highlights a number of myths debunked by her work.

[Colorado is one of just three states where Latinos don't outlive white residents. Why?](#) is a *Denver Post* story by Meg Wingerter about how liver disease, diabetes and overdoses raise Latinos' death rate, reversing "Hispanic paradox" in this state.



MEDICAL-LEGAL PARTNERSHIPS

The National Center for Medical-Legal Partnership is making a call for volunteers to serve as MLP survey ambassadors. Volunteers are needed to join the team to provide feedback on the final survey instrument being administered this fall. If interested in devoting no more than five hours, reach out to [Reha Manidandasamy](#) by day's end today, 8/30/24.

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