



# FRIDAY'S FEATURES

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[This Week's Cause: DAWN Clinic](#), the University of Colorado student and community volunteers-run clinic in Aurora, was featured this week as the 9 News non-profit doing great work. 9 News encouraged its followers to consider supporting this effort with a donation.

In this week's CU School of Medicine dean's letter, these stats were reported as the Class of 2027 began their matriculation.

- 9,852 primary applications received
- 718 candidates interviewed to fill 184 seats
- 57% women and 43% men make up the class
- 21 to 41 years old is the age range of students
- 4 states are represented in the class
- 5 students were born outside of the United States
- 78 Colorado residents are included in the class
- 22 of these students are the first in their families to graduate from college

[The COVID-19 Pandemic and More: Will COVID-19 rise again, the Atomic Age, and the last day as dean](#) is the final commentary from Dr. Jon Samet, the dean of the Colorado School of Public Health, who spent his final day as dean this week.

[Opinion: Happy birthday Colorado](#) is a post in *The Colorado Sun* by Dalton Valette that looks back on life when Colorado was a new state 147 years ago.

[Summer break](#) is this week's newsletter from Ben Miller who encourages his readers to take advantage of the moment.

[Perinatal Mental Health: An Interdisciplinary Approach](#) is a full-day ECHO presentation, September 15<sup>th</sup>, 8:30AM to 5PM MT. This session is geared for clinicians who care for pregnant patients in the evaluation and treatment of common mental health condition and substance use disorders presenting in the perinatal period.



## COMMUNITY HEALTH AND PREVENTION

[AI and Medical Education – A 21<sup>st</sup>-Century Pandora’s Box](#) is an opinion piece in *The New England Journal of Medicine* by Drs. Avraham Cooper and Adam Rodman that suggests AI could affect the thought structures and practice patterns of medical trainees and physicians for generations to come, and they hope that the focus on some of the immediate challenges doesn’t obscure many of the broader implications that the technology could have for medical education.

[A Critical Opportunity to Improve Public Health Data](#) is a perspective piece in *The New England Journal of Medicine* by Drs. David Blumenthal and Nicole Lurie about the importance of reliable, timely and accurate data on the distribution of disease and the availability of resources to combat it.

[Accountable Health Communities Model](#) is a post on *CMS.gov* that includes an interactive map of the model. To date, there are 28 organizations participating in the model, based on emerging evidence that addresses health-related social needs through enhanced clinical-community linkages, to improve health outcomes and reduce costs.

[Accountable Health Communities \(AHC\): Advancing Health Equity with Data](#) is an RTI International report on the impact about the above model that was launched to test whether connecting Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries to community resources and addressing health-related social needs – adverse social conditions that affect health and health care expenditures – can improve health outcomes and reduce costs.

[There’s a way to get healthier without even going to a gym. It’s called NEAT](#) is an NPR story by Will Stone about the concept, non-exercise activity thermogenesis, which is based on all the calories that a person burns through their daily activity excluding purposeful exercise.



## POLICY EFFORTS

[“Unrealistic” expectations: How Colorado’s Behavioral Health Administration has struggled to get off ground](#) is a story in *The Denver Post* by Meg Wingerter about how the nascent agency has pivoted from lawmakers’ original plan of running all behavioral health

programs to more of an organizational role.

[Not all 988 mental health crisis calls are reaching Colorado, but they're still getting answered](#) is a post in *The Colorado Sun* by Jennifer Brown about how the national crisis hotline is dealing with an area code routing issue and other challenges a year after launch.

[Maternal Health Equity Workshop Recording](#) is a recording and set of slides posted on the AAMC Center for Health Justice site intended to highlight how and why to leverage patient narratives for maternal health-related clinical decision support, public health, and population health research.



[Breastfeeding Tied to Big Reduction in Infant Deaths](#) is a post on *Health Day* by Cara Murez about a study that put a hard number on breast milk's lifesaving effects.

[Teens with addiction are often left to detox without medication](#) is a CNN story by Markian Hawryluk about work done by OHSU researchers to determine if there was a model where patients under 18 are offered medically managed withdrawal when detoxing. Of the 160 facilities contacted, only 63 allowed adolescents to detox on site. Denver Health has repurposed rooms in an adolescent psychiatric unit to serve as one of the first inpatient teen opioid detox facilities in the country.

[Moving Toward Inclusion: Access to Care Models for Uninsured Immigrant Children](#) is an article in *The Milbank Quarterly* by Katelyn Girtain and colleagues about how all communities benefit by ensuring immigrant children can fully participate in programs that support health, development and well-being. And how models for access to care include funding structures and care delivery systems.

[A New Study Has Defined the 12 Symptoms of Long COVID](#) is a post on *katiecouric.com* by Rachel Uda about how researchers have nailed down a stricter definition of long COVID, including the 12 symptoms that most frequently characterized the disorder.



[Medical Certification for Utility Shut-Off Protection and Health-Related Social Needs](#) is an article in *Pediatrics* by Dr. Julia Rosenberg and

colleagues about a study of families who requested and received medical certification for utility shut-off protection and were contacted by an MLP aimed to assess concurrent health-related social needs regarding utilities, housing finances, and nutrition.

[The Medical-Legal Partnership Approach to Teaching Social Determinants of Health and Structural Competency in Residency Programs](#) is an opinion piece in *Academic Medicine* by Dr. Edward Paul and colleagues that explored how residents can address health-harming legal needs working in partnership with interprofessional health care teams that include a lawyer. Such such MLP experiences can relate to competency-based milestones that are applicable to training residents in all specialties through a case study.

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