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NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS

[Upcoming ECHO Colorado presentations](#) designed to improve practice capabilities around a single topic area are included here. Sessions include a brief didactic session and facilitated discussion.

HPRN COMET Program: this month's Community Mission Area's session is about a community collaboration that aims to prevent mental and emotional health crises in rural communities. [Join by Zoom](#) December 20th, 12-1PM MT.



COMMUNITY HEALTH AND PREVENTION

[Screening for Anxiety Now Recommended in Children 8 and Older](#) is a story on the *Anschutz School of Medicine* website by Rachel Sauer about how Benjamin Mullin, PhD, supports recent screening recommendations from the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force.

[The Long-Term Implications of the Increase in Mental Health Disorders During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) is an opinion piece by Dr. Sandro Galea in *The Milbank Quarterly* that points out how the pandemic's greatest health care impact may be its effect on mental health.

[Following the Club Q mass shooting: Helpful tools for coping with tragedy and trauma](#) is a post on *UCHealth Today* by Katie Kerwin McCrimmon about the symptoms associated with PTSD, and how even those far removed from such violent attacks can suffer.

[It Ain't Over Till It's Over...but It's Never Over – Emerging and Reemerging](#)

[Infectious Diseases](#) is a perspective piece in *The New England Journal of Medicine* by Dr. Anthony S. Fauci that discusses the striking evolution of the field of infectious diseases and the changing perception of the importance and relevance of the field by both the academic community and the public.

[Children’s hospitals call on Biden to declare emergency in response to ‘unprecedented’ RSV surge](#) is a story by Spencer Kimball for *CNBC* about how infants six months and younger are getting hospitalized with RSV at seven times the rate observed before the COVID-19 pandemic in 2018. The AAP and the Children’s Hospital Association has asked the federal government to declare an emergency to provide hospitals with added flexibility to meet the surge.



[PCBH Corner with Bob Phillips](#) is an excellent 30-minute YouTube conversation between Bob and Dr. David Bauman about Bob’s work with the NAM’s report, [Implementing High-Quality Primary Care](#), in which Bob discusses the development of the report, as well as the importance of a contextual, person-centered approach to primary care that focuses on the relationships with patients, families and communities.

[Colorado Democrats eye gun-purchase waiting periods, ban on so-called assault weapons, and red flag law expansion](#) is a post in *The Colorado Sun* by Jesse Paul about how the Club Q shooting has added pressure on Democrats at the Colorado Capitol, who were already likely to pursue stricter gun laws in 2023.

[‘Red flag’ gun laws in focus after attack at Colorado LGBTQ nightclub](#) is a *Reuters* story by Joseph Ax about how red flag laws are used irregularly and in vastly different ways across the United States, with data showing that Colorado sees fewer petitions than in many other states.

[Colorado officials accused of trying to tip scales in favor of a Jared Polis health insurance policy](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by John Ingold about how health insurance brokers say the state is interfering in the free market to favor the Colorado Option, potentially at consumers’ expense.

[From Shame and Trauma to Hope and Healing: An Act of Reconciliation and Restorative Justice for the Tuskegee Syphilis Study](#) is a post on *Health Affairs* by Lillie J. Tyson and Christopher F. Koller in which the authors call for more restorative justice in health care.

[The White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health – A New National Strategy](#) is a perspective piece by Dr. Dariush Mozaffarian in *The New England Journal of Medicine* that discusses the new, expansive national strategy developed as part of Biden’s White House Conference for ending hunger, increasing healthy eating and physical activity, and reducing diet-related diseases such as diabetes, obesity, and hypertension in the United States by 2030.

[Doctors who would like to defy abortion laws say it's too risky](#) is an *NPR* story by Selena Simmons-Duffin about how doctors in states with abortion bans can face prison time and lose their licenses if they violate the laws. Some are calling on doctors to openly defy the bans.



[Nevada and Washington Residents Struggle to Afford Health Care, Support Government Action to Address Costs](#) is a post on the *Milbank Memorial Fund* website by Mary Louise Gilburg about recent research that supports the need for states to take action on rising health costs.

[How two brothers plan to save the world by packing a whole farm into shipping containers on a Denver used car lot](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Michael Booth about an urban 'farming' experiment that involves growing greens horizontally in a climate-controlled shipping container parked on a former used car lot in Denver.



[Using MLP to Address the Legal Needs among Racial & Ethnic Minorities Living with HIV](#) is a National Center for Medical Legal Partnership webinar December 7th, 11a-12:30p MT that will include a discussion of recent epidemiological data and the current landscape of healthcare and social needs for the HIV patient population.

[Justice News](#) contains remarks as prepared for delivery by Rachel Rossi, Director, Office for Access to Justice, during the 2022 National Legal Aid & Defender Association Annual Conference, in which she acknowledged the connection between poverty and contact with the justice system and cites the 2022 Child HeLP study/medical-legal partnership.

[Paid Leave: A Health Justice Imperative for Maternal Mental Health](#) provides findings from a study that explored racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic inequities in access to paid leave and its relationship to postpartum mental health.



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