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[Finding Their Way – A Migrant Fundraising Series](#) describes how a group of neighbors are coming together to support Venezuelan refugees by creating space at Stanley Market Place to host a pop-up event for showcasing their goods and services (arepas, cupcakes, dog leashes, manicures, boxing lessons) from home. These events will take place January 23 and 30, second floor, 2501 Dallas Street, Aurora.

[Tax out the bad](#) is this week's newsletter from Ben Miller about how taxes are being used to create healthy communities.

[New report details how CU is limiting its environmental footprint](#) is a post on *CU Connections* that describes campus sustainable efforts and progress toward strategic plan metrics and goals.

[Learning from policies that work – a conversation with leaders](#) is a WONCA Special Interest Group on Policy Advocacy webinar February 2, 8-9AM MT with panelists Drs. Anna Stavdal, immediate past president of WONCA, and Lauren Hughes, state policy director at the Farley Health Policy Center.

[“What the Eyes Don't See: A Story of Crisis, Resistance, and Hope in an American City”](#) is part of the Colorado School of Public Health Dean's Speaker Series February 29, 12-1PM MT, a hybrid event, featuring Dr. Mona Hatta-Attisha, associate dean of public health, Michigan State University.

[Building a Pipeline of Primary Care Providers to Serve Diverse Communities](#) is a funding opportunity from the *Colorado Health Foundation* designed to increase the number of individuals working within Colorado's primary health care workforce who reflected the diverse patient population served by the state's safety net system and/or who are committed to serving rural and frontier communities. Application deadline is 2/15/24. Another opportunity from the foundation with the same deadline involves dollars for capital infrastructure – increasing access to care for Coloradans of color, designed to improve the capacity of clinics to serve more Coloradans of color with high-quality, comprehensive team-based primary care centered on patients' preferences, needs and values.



[Teens are learning to take 911 calls as a Colorado county scrambles to find dispatchers](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Erica Breunlin about how districts in and around Colorado Springs are banding together to teach high schoolers how to be the voice on the other end of an emergency.

[The Overdose Crisis among U.S. Adolescents](#) is an interview in *The New England Journal of Medicine* with Dr. Joseph Friedman about increases in drug-related mortality among adolescents and approaches to overdose prevention.

[Colorado's rural hospitals are caught in an aging-infrastructure conundrum](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Markian Hawryluk about aging facilities that need to expand, and even lack the what's needed for surgeries, needed to bring in revenue.

[Mayors Coffman, Mobolade and Johnston: Mental health services lacking across Colorado](#) is an opinion piece in *Sentinel Colorado* about how Colorado leaders discuss how what's needed is a historic investment in more inpatient beds and additional inpatient facilities.



[Connecting Public Health and Primary Care: The Prevention and Public Health Fund Redux](#) is an opinion piece on *The Milbank Quarterly* by Marianne Udow-Phillips and colleagues from the University of Michigan in which the authors call for increased investment in public health and primary care that can connect medical care and public health.

[Responding to Medical Errors – Implementing the Modern Ethical Paradigm](#) is a perspective piece in *The New England Journal of Medicine* by Drs. Thomas H. Gallagher and Allen Kachalia about how health care providers aim to minimize suffering and promote learning when patient harm occurs under communication and resolution programs. But doing so is especially challenging when harm was due to an error.

[Looking AHEAD to State Global Budgets for Health Care](#) is a perspective piece in *The New England Journal of Medicine* by Dr. Suhas Gondi and

colleagues about how last year CMS announced a new model to move toward population-based payment at the state level to curb cost growth, improve population health, and advance health equity. AHEAD will employ several strategies to achieve its goals, each of which has both promising features and limitations.



[Mapping the Lobbying Footprint of Harmful Industries: 23 Years of Data from OpenSecrets](#) is a study in the *Milbank Quarterly* by Holly Chung and colleagues comparing U.S. lobbying practices of four industries that often present barriers to public health policies – tobacco, alcohol, gambling and ultra-processed food – found that \$3.26 billion was spent to influence politicians from 1998 to 2020.

[U.S. health care isn't ready for a surge of seniors with disabilities](#) is an article in *The Washington Post* by Judith Graham about how the health needs of older adults with disabilities will soar in the decades ahead, and how the health care system isn't ready to address their needs.

[The teens who made Colorado No. 1 in underage vaping 5 years ago are now young adults, and they're still using](#) is a *CPR News* story by John Daley about how data from the state health department show adult vaping rates rising in Colorado, driving by a sharp increase among young adults aged 18 to 24 years.

[Studying the Relationship Between Cannabis Use and Psychosis in Young Adults](#) is a post on the CU School of Medicine site by Greg Glasgow about a review article by Michelle West, PhD, psychologist and assistant professor in the CU Department of Psychiatry, that examined the relationship between cannabis and psychosis in people aged 12 to 30 years, reporting on the overlap between the two, the role of cannabis on neurobiology, and clinical considerations for co-occurring psychosis and cannabis use.

[What's the Future of AI in Mental Health Care?](#) is an article posted on the CU Department of Biomedical Informatics site by Kara Mason about how Dr. Joel Stoddard, CU psychiatrist and associate professor, explains the important role new technology is playing in the mental health care field.

['Bringing Colorado's Voice Forward': Results from the State's Inaugural Firearm Injury Prevention Survey](#) is an article on the *CU Department of Emergency Medicine* site by Colleen Miracle about the first statewide survey on perception firearms conducted by CU and CSPH researchers partnered

with the Colorado Office of Gun Violence Prevention.

[CU Psychiatry Researchers Develop Framework to Aid Pediatricians Addressing Trauma from Mass Shootings](#) is a post on the *CU School of Medicine* site by Kara Mason about how psychiatry researchers at the University of Colorado say a framework can help pediatricians engage with parents and caregivers after an incident of gun violence to extend treatment outside of the clinic.

[Pandemic caused developmental delay in infants and toddlers, study suggests](#) is a *CBS News* story by Dr. Mallika Marshall about how the pandemic has stunted our children in many ways, and even the youngest have been impacted.



[SDOH Academy National Webinar Series \(Part 3\) – Building Bridges between Healthcare Systems and Community-Based Organizations to Address Health Disparities](#) is a virtual session February 1, 1PM MT that will explore innovative strategies to advance population health and health equity through the power of community partnerships and transformative system delivery.

[Care Coordination Model Increases Primary Care Follow-Up Access](#) is an article in *Patient Care Access News* by Sara Heath about a new study that gives further updates to Camden Coalition’s model for care coordination, marking quality improvement.

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