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NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS

[A simple solution](#) is the title of this week's newsletter from Ben Miller with reflections on loneliness.

[Autism: Core Concepts for Primary Care Part 2](#) is a series of Colorado ECHO presentations January 11-February 8 are intended to support providers in the screening, diagnosis and management of patients with an autism spectrum disorder and related developmental delays.

[Making Health Care More Affordable: Implementing a State Cost Growth](#)

[Target](#) is a webinar January 18th, noon MT about the Peterson-Milbank Program for Sustainable Health Care Costs playbook designed to states build the infrastructure needed to contain spiraling health care spending growth.

[History Colorado is heading out on a road trip to research and preserve Green](#)

[Book sites](#) is a story on *Denverite.com* by Michael H. Glantz and Antonio J. Busalacchi about a plan to explore and investigate Green Book sites (businesses that would serve Black travelers when segregation was legal) to collect, preserve and tell the stories that are typically not heard.

[2023 Legislative Session Previews](#), January 11th, 6-7:30 PM MT is an opportunity to learn about the upcoming legislative session, and what to expect from lawmakers and more, presented by The Colorado Sun.

The third Annual CSTAHR Greg White Lecture will feature Dr. Tanjala S. Purnell, epidemiologist and health services researcher from Johns Hopkins University, who will present - [Sick and Tired: Galvanizing Multi-Stakeholder Efforts to Address Structural Racism and Persistent Health Disparities](#) during which she will describe existing gaps and highlight innovative interventions that help address them, focusing on the power of multi-stakeholder engagement.



COMMUNITY HEALTH AND PREVENTION

[WellPower Launches Nation's First Co-Responder Program with Denver Park Rangers](#) is a story on the *WellPower* site about how the community mental health responders are joining Denver Park Rangers to offer mental health/substance use clinical support in Denver city parks in response to the increase in vulnerable, unhoused people in parks who need support and connection to services.

[Hospital-based violence intervention program expanding at UCHealth due to increase in crime-related injuries](#) is an interview with Dr. Catherine Veopulos, medical director of At-Risk Intervention and Mentoring Program at UCHealth, by *Denver 7* about how the program is working to address the serious increase in number of people showing up in the emergency room with violent crime-related injuries.



POLICY EFFORTS

[After years of profits, many Colorado hospitals are facing a downturn](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by John Ingold about how investment losses and higher staffing and supply costs are all contributing, with a word of caution by one expert about the long-term picture.

[In county jails, guards use pepper spray, stun guns to subdue people in mental crisis](#) is an NPR story by Brett Sholtis about how 1 in 3 “use of force” incidents involved a person who was having a mental health crisis despite the fact that his/her condition meant he/she may have been unable to follow orders.

[Colorado Considers Changing Its Red Flag Law after Mass Shooting at Nightclub](#) is a *Kaiser Health News* post by Markian Hawryluk, which indicates that state legislators are expected to push for tougher gun laws in the upcoming legislative session.



RESEARCH, DATA, EVALUATION

[Patient Identification of Diagnostic Safety Blindspots and Participation in “good Catches” through Shared Visit Notes](#) is an article in *The Milbank Quarterly* by Sigall K. Bell and colleagues about how patients who read notes have unique insight about potential errors in their medical records that could impact diagnostic reasoning but may not be known to clinicians.

[Protecting the Public Health with the Inflation Reduction Act – Provisions](#)

[Affecting Climate Change and Its Health Effects](#) is an article in the *New England Journal of Medicine* by Robert L. Glicksman, JD about how the Inflation Reduction Act has the capacity to enhance the health of the U.S. population.

[App used for insomnia may also help treat alcohol abuse](#) is a story on the *3 News Now* site by Scripps News about how researchers at the University of Kentucky are the first to study whether an app for insomnia could help stop the rise in alcohol abuse.

[Scaling up community-delivered mental health support and care: A landscape analysis](#) is a review article in *Frontiers in Public Health* by Ben Miller and colleagues to identify examples of community-initiated care that have been implemented outside of the research context, with the aim of identifying barriers and facilitators to take to scale.

[Community Initiated Care: A blue-print for the practical realization of contextual behavioral science](#) is an article in *Science Direct* by Ben Miller and colleagues that explores how our thinking is aligned with and in response to the strategies and tactics of the Contextual Behavioral Science Task Force to promote programs that are multi-dimensional, process-based, prosocial, practical, and multi-level.

[Study shows habitual checking of social media may impact young adolescents' brain development](#) is a post on *The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill* site about a study that provides some of the first findings on how social media usage could have long-standing and important consequences on the development of adolescent brains.

[More than a third of parents oppose vaccine requirements in schools, KFF survey finds](#) contains Kaiser Family Foundation study results reported by CNN reporter, Deidre McPhillips. Support for vaccine requirements has plummeted, especially among Republicans.



[Using the Medical-Legal Partnership Approach to Help Health Center Patients with Long-COVID](#) is a webinar January 25th, 11-12:30 PM MT to help MLP staff bridge the current research on long-COVID to the clinical/legal interventions, receive updates on the current laws and policies that aim to protect and support patients with long-COVID, and increase their understanding of best practice in MLP implementation to help patients access disability benefits and other income supports.

[Developing a Framework to Sustain Your Medical-Legal Partnership](#) is a webinar January 31st, 11-12:30 PM MT that aims to provide sustainability strategies and be introduced to the concept of community health center-focused MLP performance metrics.

[Association of Promoting Housing Affordability and Stability with Improved Health Outcomes: A Systematic Review](#) is an article on *JAMA Network* by Dr. Katherine L. Chen and colleagues who set out to answer the question: “Are interventions to prevent housing insecurity by promoting housing affordability and stability associated with improved health outcomes?”

[Testing One, Two, Three: CMS’ New Demonstration Opportunity to Address Health-Related Social Needs](#) is a post on *Center for Health Care Strategies* by Anne Smithey and colleagues about an opportunity for states to use 1115 demonstrations to provide health-related social needs services.



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