



# FRIDAY'S FEATURES

ISSUE 072624

Editor: [Linda Niebauer](#)



[Primary Care for All Americans](#) is a movement to build a healthcare system for the United States to focus on helping people, not making money. This effort is led by volunteers, working in their own communities, in their own states – across the nation. Anyone who joins a single Zoom or sends their email address is a member. Sign up today.

[The digital divide](#) is this week's letter from Ben Miller about how sometimes adding technology to the mix doesn't deliver the results we want.

[New Research on Select State Strategies to Reduce Prescription Opioid Misuse](#) is a webinar July 30, 11AM MT sponsored by The Milbank Quarterly and NYU Langone about studies of state policies designed to improve opioid prescription safety.

Adolescent Reproductive Health in Primary Care is an ECHO Colorado series designed to offer clinicians relevant topics and resources to expand and improve their ease in talking to adolescents and their parents about birth control. It is a four-week series to take place Thursdays 8-9:15AM MT September 5-26. For a listing of other ECHO sessions and to register for any of interest, [click here](#).

[The summer issue of the Colorado Academy of Family Physicians' quarterly magazine is here.](#) Kyle Leggott, Farley Center team member, is pictured on the cover (handsome, tall guy in the center of the photo 😊). He is one of many folks who work tirelessly to achieve legislative wins for the people of Colorado.

[Meet the 26 Coloradans Competing in the Paris Olympics](#) is the *5280* introductory story by Stasia Stockwell of the 26 athletes (of a total of 592 from the United States) that hail from Colorado. This article also provides the date when you can expect to see these folks in action.



## COMMUNITY HEALTH AND PREVENTION

[Should I Laugh at That? Coping in the Setting of Serious Illness](#) is a perspective piece in *The New England Journal of Medicine* by Dr. Danielle Chammas that reminds clinicians that people usually journey toward death in the same fashion they journeyed through life. Individual coping styles tend to be products of a lifetime of experiences, and the degree to which they're affected by illness is different for each of us.

[Hospitals struggle to serve growing number of children in need of intensive mental health treatment](#) is a *CPR* 14-minute podcast in which Andrea Dukakis talks to Dr. Ron-Li Liaw, Mental Health-in-Chief at Children's Hospital Colorado, about the scope of the ongoing mental health problem in kids, and possible solutions.

[A New Colorado Program Supports Working Cancer Patients](#) is a program, WeCanWork, developed and launched in partnership between the University of Colorado Cancer Center and the Center for Health, Work, and Environment at the Colorado School of Public Health, which aims to provide comprehensive support to cancer patients as they balance work responsibilities and treatment.

[Managing Anger in Bipolar Disorder](#) is a post on *HealthCentral* by Molly Longman about how emotions run hot when battling this complex mental health disorder. Experts explain why, and what to do.



## POLICY EFFORTS

[Rape, Homicide, and Abortion Bans – The Abandonment of People Subjected to Sexual and Intimate Partner Violence](#) is a perspective piece in *The New England Journal of Medicine* by Elizabeth Tobin-Tyler, JD and Samuel L. Dickman, MD about the contribution of violence against women to unwanted pregnancies and to injury and death during the peripartum period.

[Civil Rights, Health Care, and the Struggle for the Soul of Medicine](#) is an opinion piece on *The Milbank Quarterly* by Sara Rosenbaum and Marybeth Musumeci about how the U.S. Dept. Health and Human Services has issued regulations governing Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act. The new round of legal challenges is linked to their protections for health care for transgender people, which goes beyond the specifics of transgender care.

[The Impact of Medicaid Institutions for Mental Disease Exclusion Waivers on the Availability of Substance Abuse Treatment Services and the Varying Effect by Ownership Type](#) is about an effort to determine the impact of state IMD SUD waivers on the targeted population, published in *The Milbank Quarterly* by Yimin Ge and colleagues.

[United States of Care Responds to Senators Whitehouse and Cassidy's Request for Information on Primary Care](#) is a post on the *United States of Care* website that provides a copy of the letter that Lisa Hunter, senior director for policy and external affairs for the United States of Care, wrote to the senators in response to their request about primary care and the proposed Pay PCPs Act.



[History Colorado seeking input from Indigenous community as part of research into past boarding school abuses](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Tatiana Flowers about how this agency is planning the next phase of its state-funded research by consulting with members of the Native American community.

[Foster Care Youth Have Higher Behavioral Health Needs and More ER Visits Leading Up to Entry, Research Finds](#) is a story on the *CU Anschutz Department of Medicine* website by Tayler Shaw about how CU faculty, led by Mark Gritz, Farley Center director of operations, collaborated with state agencies for several years to document health issues, utilization, and costs over time for individuals in the foster care system.

[Mammograms have pros and cons. Women can handle the nuance, study argues](#) is an *NPR* story by Ronnie Cohen about new research that makes the case for educating women in their 40s about the harms as well as benefits of the exam. More than twice as many elected to wait until they turn 50 to get screened, after learning the pros and cons.



[August 2024: Standards in Medical-Legal Partnerships](#) is a request by the *AMA Journal of Ethics* for manuscripts for the August 2024 issue that explore strategies for how clinicians and attorneys should work together to screen for and respond with care to legal determinants of patients' health.

[Medical legal partnerships: Assisting patients beyond their diagnoses](#) is a post on the *UT Physicians* website by Vicki Powers that discusses the make up of the MLP team at the University of Texas and cites their success stories as identified by two studies.

---

[SUBSCRIBE TO FRIDAY'S FEATURES](#)

Eugene S. Farley, Jr. Health Policy Center | 12631 E 17th Avenue, Box F496 | Aurora, CO  
80045 US

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)



Try email marketing for free today!