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## **FRIDAY'S FEATURES**

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## NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS

<u>Cleo Parker Robinson Dance & Colorado Black Women for Political Action</u> <u>celebrate Juneteenth "Hip-Hop & Politics"</u> this weekend. All are invited.

<u>Find your third place</u> is this week's letter from Ben Miller that addresses why embracing social environments, different from home and work that foster community and connect, can help our mental health and well-being.

<u>ABMS Advisory Body on Specialty Board Development Invites Third-Party</u> <u>Comments</u> as it endorses the value of obtaining input from a wide range of stakeholders. As a part of this evaluation process, the advisory body will accept written third-party comments to inform deliberation and review via an online submission form. Anonymous comments will not be accepted. Online comment period ends July 24, 2024.

<u>CU and USAFA forge research and mentorship partnership</u> is a story on *Fox* 21 by Dara Korn about a new partnership between the US Air Force Academy and the CU School of Medicine that aims to facilitate academic collaboration in developing leaders and improving the care of US military service members.

# COMMUNITY HEALTH AND PREVENTION

Pro skier Drew Petersen cloaked his depression with epic descents and runs. Now he's helping others by talking about mental health. is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Jason Blevins about how a professional athlete, raised in Summit County, who had suicidal thoughts from the age of 9, is on a mission to share his story and tear down the stigma surrounding mental illness.

<u>The cure for dangerous over-exposure to bad political news? A little time out</u> <u>and a big piece of cake.</u> is an opinion piece in *The Colorado Sun* by Diane Carman, who has worked/works as a reporter, editor and columnist in Colorado, Oregon and Wisconsin. Last week she hit a wall and decided to ration her exposure in her interest of self-preservation.

<u>A Mesa County program meets people – and their produce needs – where they</u> are is a post in *The Colorado Sun* by Sharon Sullivan about how a pilot program, Harvest Mobile Market, visits apartment complexes and low-income neighborhoods in Grand Junction, CO, to reach people who struggle to get fresh food.

<u>Expect with Me – Group Prenatal Care to Reduce Disparities</u> is an interview posted in *The New England Journal of Medicine* with Jessica B. Lewis, PhD about a group prenatal care program aimed at improving maternal and infant health in diverse patient populations.

<u>Depression – Screening and Treating Depression in Adolescents</u> is the fourth episode of a four-part Double Take video miniseries in *The New England Journal of Medicine* by Dr. Christine M. Crawford and colleagues that takes a closer look at the prevalence of depression among teenagers. The authors describe signs and symptoms of depression and how to screen for it in this patient population, as well as reviewing available treatments and associated adverse effects and also underscoring the importance of follow-up after antidepressants are started.

Why a Denver-area community health center is merging with a mental health care provider is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by John Ingold about the merger between Clinica Family Health and Mental Health Partners – both nonprofits – to create financial sustainability and improve access to the spectrum of health care services.



The 8 gun bills passed by Colorado's legislature this year and signed into law by the governor is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Jesse Paul about a legislative-session record for the state designed to tighten Colorado's gun statutes.

<u>Group applauds Gov. Polis' signing of bill amending end-of-life aid</u> is a post in *Centennial Citizen* by Elisabeth Slay about how a new bill aims to make Colorado's End-of-Life Options Act accessible to more people with terminal illnesses, and waives mandatory waiting periods for people likely to die within 48 hours of requesting medical aid.

Public Health Policies May Impact Cancer Care Outcomes is a post on the

*Cancer Network* website by Cathy Bradley, PhD and Lindsay M. Sabik, economists (and more) who discuss their interests in the outcomes observed from the Affordable Care Act and its impact on specific populations. They indicate that determining policies and studying trends in the public health space is important to create positive outcomes for patients with cancer.

### RESEARCH, DATA, EVALUATION

<u>Primary Care in the Crosshairs of Market Structure Changes</u> is a blog post on the *Milbank Memorial Fund* site by Rachel Block who reviews the impact on clinicians that the buying up of primary care practices and establishing new clinics has had, creating big market disruptions with uncertain results and whether new models will support high-quality primary care over the long term by investing in team-based care, digital health tools, and more.

<u>Health Equity Research in Population Health: Building the Necessary</u> <u>Workforce</u> is an opinion piece in *The Milbank Quarterly* by David H. Rehkopf, of Stanford University, that discusses two primary workforce challenges in the field of health equity research: 1) an undersupply of researchers trained in the field of health equity, and 2) the lack of diversity within the health equity workforce.

#### MEDICAL-LEGAL PARTNERSHIPS

Fostering Sustainability through Performance Measurement in Health Center Medical-Legal Partnerships: Insights from a Diverse Learning Collaborative is an issue brief by James Teufel that highlights the crucial role of sustainability in clinical settings, focusing on MLPs within health centers.

Moving OUD/SUD Care Upstream through Partnership with Legal Aid is an interactive webinar June 20, 11AM MT designed to explore the collaboration between Philadelphia Legal Assistance and community health centers in the City of Brotherly Love.

<u>MLP Townhall: Interactive Forum on MLP Planning, Implementation, and</u> <u>Practice</u> is a webinar June 27, 11AM MT designed to foster collaborative discussions and knowledge-sharing within the broader MLP community, offering a platform to delve into the intricacies of planning, implementing, and practicing MLP. Eugene S. Farley, Jr. Health Policy Center | 12631 E 17th Avenue, Box F496 | Aurora, CO 80045 US

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