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NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS

[Congressional Briefing and National Webinar - Pain in the Nation: The Epidemics of Alcohol, Drug, and Suicide Deaths](#) is a webinar sponsored by Trust for America's Health and the Well Being Trust that will discuss their recently released report. It is scheduled for July 14th, 11:30AM MT.

[Creating Community, Not Division](#) is this week's newsletter from Ben Miller who calls out how we are all subject to the same struggles, regardless of the artificial barriers we build.



COMMUNITY HEALTH AND PREVENTION

[Carman: Colorado takes a tentative step toward meeting the crisis of homelessness](#) is an opinion piece in *The Colorado Sun* by Diane Carman about how the Caring for Denver Foundation is stepping up to address mental illness and substance misuse, significant factors in homelessness.

[CU Boulder, Anschutz faculty to discuss gun violence in June 28 webinar](#) is a post on the University of Colorado Boulder site about a presentation 5-6:30PM June 28th during which experts from CU Boulder and CU Anschutz will focus on the public health impacts of gun violence.

[Mental health groups express concern about readiness of new suicide prevention hotline](#) is a CNN story by Veronica Stracqualursi and Jacqueline Howard who write that concerns relate to demands outstripping the capacity very quickly and that these centers will be overwhelmed.



POLICY EFFORTS

[Denver jail lacks strategy to deal with mental health, fails to adequately monitor array of contracts, audit says](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Jennifer Brown about how jails need a full electronic records system to track whether its mental health and substance abuse programs are working.

[Colorado's plan to import prescription drugs from Canada just got a boost, thanks to Congress](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by John Ingold about a provision in an obscure bill would require the Food and Drug Administration to set up an important program.

[Opinion: A ballot proposal for single-payer health care](#) is an opinion piece in *The Colorado Sun* by Bill Semple, chair of the Colorado Foundation for University Health Care, about how a premium-paid system based on income would be affordable to all.

[Building a National Public Health System in the United States](#) is an opinion piece in *The New England Journal of Medicine* by Dr. Margaret A. Hamburg and the other members of the Commonwealth Fund Commission established to provide [recommendations](#) for a new public health initiative.

[Scramble is on to replace Tri-County health services before agency's end-of-year collapse](#) is a story in *The Denver Post* by John Aguilar that includes comments from Dr. Glen Mays, chair of the department of health systems, management and policy at the Colorado School of Public Health.

[How the Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade will affect abortion access in Colorado](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Shannon Najmabadi about how with today's U.S. Supreme Court ruling, there will be few abortion restrictions in Colorado.

[Colorado moves one step closer to a government-designed health insurance plan](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by John Ingold about how the Colorado Option is designed by state regulators but will be sold by individual insurance companies.



RESEARCH, DATA, EVALUATION

[Association of State Medicaid Expansion Status with Rates of Suicide among U.S. Adults](#) is an article in *JAMA* about a study that aimed to determine the association of Medicaid expansion under the Patient Protection and Affordable Act with suicide rates.

[Most Americans are still choosing virtual visits for their mental health care. Experts say that's here to stay](#) is a story in *Fortune* by Alexa Mikhail who writes

how most people still prefer virtual visits for their mental health according to a new report.

[Alignment of Mental Health and HIV Services](#) is one of a series of papers in *The Lancet*, this one by Lucie D. Cluver and colleagues, which addresses the syndemic of HIV and mental ill health and summarizes opportunities for integrated care for three key populations: adolescents, substance users, and men who have sex with men.



[Collaborating to Address Health and Legal Needs of Patients Experiencing Intimate Partner Violence and Exploitation](#) is a webinar in partnership with Health Partners on IPV + Exploitation and the National Center for Medical-Legal Partnership designed to help MLPs and other health and legal services partners develop strategies and identify tools they can use to increase capacity to support patient-survivors of IPV or human trafficking/ exploitation and promote universal education and healing.

[Increasing Nutritional Supports for Newborns](#) is part of a patients to policy story series produced a few years ago supported by the National Center for Medical Legal Partnership.

[Where Legal Services Fit within a Health Care Organization's Response to SDOH](#) is a chart that demonstrates this response.



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