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NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS

[It's in the water](#) is this week's newsletter from Ben Miller about meaningful solutions to address mental health begin by seeing it everywhere.



COMMUNITY HEALTH AND PREVENTION

Seeking Input: Culturally Responsive Networks of Care in Colorado, is an initiative in which the Farley Center team is partnering with United States of Care to better understand the unique needs of Coloradans when it comes to culturally responsive care. If you are a medical clinician or other clinical staff member and are willing to be interviewed (~45-60 minutes) to answer questions focused on barriers and opportunities when delivering culturally responsive care, please [complete this form](#) and select your available time. Following the listening project, a set of policy recommendations for the State will be developed.

[Collaborative Community Response Initiative \(CCRI\)](#) is a post on the Farley Health Policy Center website about an initiative that is underway to help Coloradans thrive and has begun with four communities.

[Addressing the Complex Needs of Older Adults through Strong Community-Based Organization and Health Plan Partnerships](#) is a webinar about The Better Care Playbook made possible through support from the Seven Foundation Collaborative features perspectives from program leaders and researchers on the value case for partnership, described different partnership models, and highlighted new resources to facilitate effective contracting to support adults of any age.

[Denver Health opens state's first-ever certified facility for adolescent detox](#) is a post in the *Denver Business Journal* by Analisa Romano about how this facility marks the first time that young people can be admitted to an acute behavioral

health hospital primarily for substance abuse.



[Lawmakers aim to reform Colorado’s child welfare system with series of summer hearings](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Jennifer Brown about an 11-member committee that wants to address long-standing problems with sweeping legislation instead of piecemeal bills.

[One year after Dobbs in Colorado: More out-of-state patients and a push to protect abortion care](#) is an *NPR* story by Lucas Brady Woods about efforts being made in Colorado to provide this care for which those with money and of wealth can access, but those who don’t have access to resources, don’t have access to the information, don’t have health insurance, are very often left behind.

[Minnesota Takes Steps to Open the “Black Box” of Health Care Spending Amid Industry Opposition](#) is a blog post on the *Milbank Memorial Fund* site by Keanan Lane and Rachel Block about a new center for health care affordability as part of a Minnesota landmark health care bill. It will provide valuable health care data, analysis, and recommendations to inform opportunities to enhance affordability and invest in better health for Minnesota residents.

[One year after Dobbs, nonprofits spending millions more to help patients from outside Colorado get abortions](#) is a story in *The Denver Post* by Saja Hindi about how abortion funds to help patients have tripled the amount of money spent to help out-of-state patients, wait times for services have gone up, and the number of people seeking abortion care from other states has increased significantly. The “impact on Colorado has been devastating,” according to reproductive rights group Cobalt.

[Colorado universities will double down on diversity after Supreme Court effectively barred affirmative action](#) is a post in *The Colorado Sun* by Erica Breunlin about how Colorado colleges are responding to the Supreme Court’s decision regarding affirmative action.



[Compressing your eating day is as counting calories, study finds](#) is a story in the *Los Angeles Times* by Gina Errico about how a study that pitted time-restricted eating against a caloric restriction diet found they were equally effective at helping obese people lose weight. Another article about the study can be [reviewed here](#).



MEDICAL-LEGAL PARTNERSHIPS

The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Community Services (OCS) announces the availability of funds for Medical-Legal Partnerships Plus (MLP+). OCS will make approximately \$1.6 million available through a competitive award process to a limited pool of applicants. Due date 8/23/23. For more information, [click here](#).

The Legal Services for Homeless Veterans and Veterans At-Risk for Homelessness (LSV-H) Grant awards have been announced. The new Legal Services for Homeless Veterans and Veterans At-Risk for Homelessness Grants (LSV-H) will enable the VA to deliver legal services that are critical to resolving or preventing homelessness for veterans. A total of [79 organizations](#), including several MLPs, will soon begin their work to help deliver legal services to veterans who are homeless or at risk for homelessness. For more information, [click here](#).

[Medicaid Townhall: Redeterminations, Work Requirements, & Coverage for Undocumented Persons](#) is a slide presentation from a virtual townhall event to discuss three significant Medicaid policy issues affecting disadvantaged communities served by safety-net health care, social services, and civil legal aid providers. Lessons included the Medicaid redetermination process happening for the first time in more than three years from Stutee Acharya and Carrie Chapman from Legal Council for Health, and what issues to look for when helping patients navigate this process.

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