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NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS

<u>The COVID-19 Pandemic: Memorial Day – remembering the uncounted dead</u> is Dr. Jon Samet's Memorial Day post on his weekly blog in which he calls out the large undercount of deaths and delayed toll related to the pandemic.

The Milbank Memorial Fund seeks a new program officer to lead its work in State Health Policy Leadership and Healthy Aging. For more information, <u>click</u> here.

<u>Something to Believe In</u> is a story on the *CU Anschutz Medical Campus* website about why science matters, and how it's not static, unilateral or absolutely foolproof. But how it is a process worth embracing.

<u>Community Story Circle Training for Nonprofit Organizations</u> is a four-hour training session July 19th, 10AM-2PM MDT intended to help participants learn to facilitate a story circle, a community-building and perspective-gathering tool.



How to support a friend or family member who's struggling with their mental health is a story on *Ideas.Ted.com* by Sahaj Kaur Kohli, founder of Brown Girl Therapy, who suggests things to do and not do when supporting someone who is struggling.

The Coalition & Universal Music Group's Roadmap to LGBTQ+ Mental Health is a post on *The Mental Health Coalition* website that is a guide on LGBTQ+ mental health created in partnership with Universal Music Group and the

Universal Music All Together Now Foundation in recognition of Pride Month that focuses on the unique experiences based on cultural factors and social identities.

When Your Job Harms Your Mental Health is a story in *The New York Times* by Christina Caron who writes about how Naomi Osaka advocated for her wellbeing at work, and how others can too.

4 NFL Players Share Their Mental Health Challenges with Carson Dalyis a story on *Today* about what Carson Daly learns when he sits down with four NFL players who speak out about mental health concerns in the NFL.

More Kids Struggle with Mental Health Challenges because of the Pandemicis an NPR story by Jenny Brundin who has recently spent a lot of time talking to high school kids about their anxieties.

New Pediatricians are seeing few 'bread and butter' cases, but an influx of mental health crises is a story on *Stat News* by Theresa Gaffney who talks about the "inversive training experience" for physicians new to pediatrics... treating children daily with mental health concerns but seeing fewer "bread and butter" conditions that typically define pediatrics.

We Need to Talk about Black Therapist Burnout is a story on Forbes by Jessica Gold who writes about how a call to action during this time of the pandemic and its fallout has been a recipe for burnout for many.



Putting a Human Face on Government: Indiana's 211 Hotline is a post on the Milbank Memorial Fundsite by Martha Hostetter and Sarah Klein who explain how a new process in Indiana gives folks a single point of entry to a wide range of services and supports, and in turn gives state leaders a better understanding of the unmet needs of residents allowing for better coordination between state agencies and community-based organizations.

More mass shootings spark outrage – but don't forget the daily deaths, either is an opinion piece on *The Hill* by Dr. Emmy Betz, an ER doc and researcher at the University of Colorado School of Medicine and director of the Firearm Injury Prevention Initiative and Dr. Megan Ranney, an ER doc and associate dean of Strategy and Innovation at the School of Public Health of Brown University. The authors suggest we not lose hope, but we should recognize there's not a single, easy answer...different approaches to prevention are required.

Mental Health: In Tennis and in the Workplace is the title of this week's newsletter (Mental: Fighting the fragmentation of mental health one policy at a time) by Ben Miller who reflects on Naomi Osaka's exit from the French Open, as well as makes recommendations for action items for employers as employees return to work.

What to Read: Ben Miller is putting mental health in contextis a Substack

interview with Ben Miller about his weekly publication that focuses on policy solutions to mental health.

More than a dozen cities push to minimize or even eliminate police presence at mental health calls is a story on CNN by Peter Nickeas about how more than a dozen cities are developing alternative or co-response programs to minimize or eliminate the role of police officers responding to 911 calls involving mental health, homelessness, or substance abuse.



Access to Care, Cost of Care, and Satisfaction with Care among Adults with Private and Public Health Insurance in the US is an article on JAMA Network by Dr. Charlie M. Wray and colleagues who set out to learn about consumer satisfaction with care among the five major forms of health insurance coverage in the United States.

After what scientists learned from COVID vaccines, a look at the future of mRNA technology is a 9News story by Anusha Roy about David Bentley's (codirector of the RNA Bioscience Initiative at Anschutz Medical Campus) perspective about how mRNA could change future vaccines after COVID.

Effect of Layperson-Delivered, Empathy-Focused Program of Telephone Calls on Loneliness, Depression, and Anxiety Among Adults During the COVID-19
Pandemic: A Randomized Clinical Trial is an article in *JAMA Psychiatry* by Maninder K. Kahlon and colleagues whose study was designed to determine if a program of empathetic conversations delivered by laypeople via telephone can reduce loneliness, depression, and anxiety in at-risk older adults.



Eviction Crisis Virtual Town Hall: Eliminating the Existential Threat to our Recovery is a panel discussion about our mandate to end the crisis. This event will take place June 16th, 11AM MDT hosted by the National Center for Medical-Legal Partnership in collaboration with the National Legal Aid and Defender Association and the Network for Public Health Law.

Teaching the social determinants of health through medical legal partnerships: A systematic review is an article on *BMC Medical Education* by Kristian Welch and colleagues who conducted a systematic review to better define the impact that educational programs centered on medical legal partnerships have on trainees' knowledge, attitudes, and future practice.





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