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NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS

[Celebrating our successes](#) is this week's message from Ben Miller about the importance of taking a moment to reflect on our progress and successes.

[10 Ways You Can Help Feed the Community this Thanksgiving](#) is a story in *5280 Denver's Mile High Magazine* by Brittany Anas and Patricia Kaowthumrong about how inflation and rising rates of homelessness are exacerbating food insecurity in Colorado, and how Coloradans can ensure folks have warm meals November 23 and beyond.

[One-of-a-kind lullaby welcomes wee ones into the world at Greeley Hospital](#) is a story on *UCHealth Today* about a song, "A First Breath: Welcome to the World," composed by Dylan Fixmer, composer-in-residence with the Greeley Philharmonic Orchestra, intended to celebrate a new baby and bring joy to lives. At each birth, the hospital's birth center team presses a "magic button," and the song plays overhead in the hospital's hallways and common areas.

[Urology Updates for Primary Care: What you and your patients need to know about urology in 2023](#) is part of the ECHO series, this one about vasectomy and male contraception November 21, 7AM MT presented by Dr. Randall Meacham. You will hear about screening, diagnosis and management of patients with common urologic conditions.



COMMUNITY HEALTH AND PREVENTION

[Carbondale community comes together to help 80 Venezuelan migrants](#)

[sleeping below a bridge](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Samuel Bernal and Jennifer Brown about how nonprofits and city leaders in Carbondale are trying to find a longer-term solution for shelter for the Venezuelan immigrants arriving there.

[Communications Tool: Strategies for Developing Culturally Driven Public Health Communications](#) is a guide on the *Public Health Communications Collaborative* to support effective communication with multicultural audiences divided into three sections: messaging, visuals, and outreach.

[Can AI improve health care? Doctors at UCHHealth are trying to find out.](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by John Ingold about how UCHHealth is using artificial intelligence to prevent deaths from sepsis. But it turns out human intelligence in using the tools is a lot more important.



[New Interactive Evidence Based Mapping Tool Gives Policymakers More Insight into Highly Concentrated Cannabis Products](#) is a post on the *CU Anschutz Medical Campus* website by Laura Kelley about an evidence-based tool developed by researchers at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus that aims to assist state governments looking to regulate more potent products and which could lead to expanded research.

[CU College of Nursing launches program to put nurse midwives in rural communities across Colorado](#) is a *Denver 7* story by Nicole Brady about how a new HRSA grant will create the Colorado Rural Midwifery Workforce Expansion Program designed to place more maternity specialists in rural parts of Colorado. Over the next three years, the college will train 14 certified nurse midwives to work in underserved communities.



[Addressing Adolescent Suicidality in Pediatric Primary Care](#) is an article in the *Journal of Developmental & Behavioral Pediatrics* by Dr. Jessica Kenny, Farley Center scholar, and colleagues about a study designed to examine the prevalence rates of reported suicidal ideation (SI) in 2,107 adolescents that characterizes recommendations and interventions given

by primary care providers and behavioral health clinicians in response to SI on the Patient Health Questionnaire 9-item Modified for Adolescents for 140 adolescents.

[Why it's so tough to reduce unnecessary medical care](#) is a post in *The Colorado Sun* by Markian Hawryluk about how Colorado spent \$134 million last year on what is called low-value care, according to the Center for Improving Value in Health Care.

[The Sharp Decline in COVID-19 Mortality in 2023: Interpreting Good News in a Population Health Context](#) is an opinion piece on the *Milbank Memorial Fund* website by Paula M. Lantz. The author recently explored the publicly available mortality surveillance data for the United States, and reports on primarily good news along with some red flags and signals that COVID-19 remains an ongoing threat to population health in the United States.

[It costs Colorado \\$343,453 per kid who ages out of foster care, according to new research](#) is a story in *The Colorado Sun* by Jennifer Brown about how an average of 200 teens and young adults have left the foster system each year without getting adopted or returned home, leading to incarceration, homelessness, and poverty.

[Are assisted living residents moving in too early or too late?](#) is a post on *McKnights Senior Living* by Lois A. Bowers about a new study by CU School of Medicine researchers published in *JAMA Internal Medicine* that provides insights into assisted living residents at move-in and a couple of years later, and suggests questions to contemplate about the future of the setting.

[Should you get your COVID and flu shots at the same time? New research suggests yes](#) is an *NBC* story by Aria Bendix about a small study that indicated that getting COVID and flu shots together could produce a stronger antibody response against the coronavirus than receiving them separately.

[Five questions for Ron Sokol and Janine Higgins](#) is an interview in *CU Connections* by Jay Dedrick with leaders of CCTSI on how a \$54 million grant will help power innovation and health equity.



[MLP in Action Webinar Series: Supportive Transition Care for Foster and Former Foster Youth](#) is a webinar December 6, noon to 1PM MT focused

on better understanding and addressing the unique health and health-related social needs of foster youth as they transition to adulthood, developed in consultation with the National LGBTQIA+ Health Education Center.

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