**FRIDAY'S FEATURES**

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**NEWS, ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS**

*It’s not just social* is a recent newsletter from Ben Miller that provides his reflections on the urgency of addressing the structural side of mental health.

*Lessons from Disney* is this week’s newsletter from Ben Miller about how the mental health field could learn a thing or two from Micky.

The CU Anschutz Medical Campus is a recruitment site for a $1.15 billion NIH-funded nationwide study of people who have lingering health conditions after having COVID. This study, known as RECOVER, is a four-year research study designed to better understand long COVID and to develop new treatments.

**COMMUNITY HEALTH AND PREVENTION**

*Unique Friendship Benches initiative inaugurated to promote mental health, featuring competing FIFA World Cup nations* is a post on the WHO website by Nick Bradshaw about a unique project involving custom-made public benches to promote the critical important of mental health, and the role that football and sport more broadly can plan to promote well-being.

**POLICY EFFORTS**

*Winning Better Mental Health Policy* is a post on Mental Health Now that...
provides an interactive map to show you if candidates in your area support mental health.

**The mental health crisis and shortage of providers is creating big debt for Americans** is an *NPR* story by Yuki Noguchi about how the mental health crisis and the shortage of providers to treat them is creating a parallel problem for families: debt. But how much Americans are having to pay for this care is hidden in the shadows.

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**CU Anschutz Researchers and Partners Launch Firearm Injury Toolkit** is a post on the *CU Anschutz Medical Campus* website by Laura Kelley about a kit that will help other states create voluntary firearm storage sites that could help save lives.

**New COVID-19 modeling report shows uncertainty for remainder of 2022** is a story on the *Colorado School of Public Health* website about the updated statewide modeling report that presents varying scenarios for the state of COVID-19 in Colorado in the coming months.

**New trial will test treatment for meth addiction** is a *9 News* story by Jennifer Meckles about how an addiction psychiatrist at CU School of Medicine will study deep brain stimulation as a treatment option for methamphetamine use disorder.

**Half of Adults Say Their Family Has Experienced a Severe Mental Health Crisis** is a post on the *Kaiser Family Foundation* site by Ashley Kirzinger about the latest partnership survey between KFF and CNN that found that one in four adults who say they have had a family member receive in-person treatment because they were thought to be a threat to themselves or others or had a family member engaged in cutting or other self-harming behaviors.

**KFF/CNN Mental Health in America Survey** is a post on the *Kaiser Family Foundation* site by Lunna Lopes and colleagues about their survey that sheds light on growing concerns around mental health in America, at a time when the country continues to grapple with the COVID-19 pandemic and is facing uncertain economic times.

**Innovative Data Science Approaches to Identify Individuals, Populations, and Communities at High Risk for Suicide** is a post on the *National Academies* website of the proceedings of a virtual workshop that explored the current scope of activities, benefits, and risks of leveraging innovative data science techniques to help inform upstream suicide prevention at the individual and population level.

**Do You ‘Matter’ to Others? The Answer Could Predict Your Mental Health** is an article in *Scientific American* by Francine Russo about how the psychological construct of mattering gauges the risk of depression, suicide, and other disorders.
World Mental Health Day: 5 science-based actions to help companies invest wisely to support employees is a story on Quartz by Dr. Janet Ahn and Tessa West about low-cost solutions to help companies move the needle on employee mental health and well-being.

Developing Screening, Referral, & Service Delivery Workflows for MLPs is a webinar October 18th 11AM-12:30PM MT during which the presenters will take a deeper dive into how PRAPARE is being used to screen for social needs and risk stratification as well as how to build a screenings/referrals/service delivery workflow specific to MLPs.