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[169 Students Graduate From University Of Colorado School Of Medicine](#)

One hundred and sixty-nine students graduated from the University of Colorado School of Medicine on Friday. The graduates celebrated with a virtual ceremony.

CBS4, May 22, 2020



[They Evoke Darth Vader, but These Masks May Save Your Doctor's Life](#)

The H1N1 flu pandemic in 2009 that claimed an [estimated 12,000 lives](#) in the United States was a jolt to **Charlie Little** [professor of emergency medicine at CU School of Medicine]. As medical director of emergency preparedness at the University of Colorado Hospital near Denver, he planned for the unthinkable.



Abigail Lara [associate professor of medicine at CU School of Medicine] now wears one in a Covid-19 section of the I.C.U. "It takes a little bit of getting used to, but I find them to be comfortable," she said. "I think we all appreciate that we were given this level of protection."

The New York Times, May 27, 2020



[In Colorado, A Big Prison And A Small Community Share A Coronavirus Outbreak](#)

Since the pandemic began, **Carlos Franco-Paredes**, an infectious disease expert at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, has visited jails in Colorado, Maryland and Michigan to carry out inspections. "I usually write on the reports that nobody is safe until everybody is safe," he said. "Public health in jails is public health in the community because it's an extension of the community at large."

KUNC, May 27, 2020



[**Ventilator wasn't enough to save him, but Aurora man survives coronavirus thanks to unique hospital machine**](#)

“This doesn't really completely fix the problem in the lungs, but it allows the body to survive while lungs are healing and the body is healing,” said [**Muhammad Aftab**](#), a cardiothoracic surgeon at UCHealth University of Colorado Hospital [and assistant professor of surgery at CU School of Medicine].

Fox31, May 22, 2020



[**Despite broader criteria, Colorado COVID-19 testing still lags**](#)

“For us to be able to know how much disease is out there, we have to be able to test for it,” said **Michelle Barron**, an infectious disease specialist with UCHealth [and professor of medicine at CU School of Medicine].

9News, May 27, 2020



[**Denver Public Schools likely to require students to wear masks when classes resume**](#)

“It is essential that we take these new precautions and make every effort to maximize the academic progress and social and emotional development for our kids,” **Steve Federico**, a pediatric and school programs specialist with Denver Health [and associate professor of pediatrics at CU School of Medicine], said in a video outlining the district's proposed changes.

Denver Post, May 28, 2020



[**Meet 3 COVID-19 Fighters at Children's Colorado**](#)

In March, as adult hospitals in Colorado were getting slammed with patients suffering from COVID-19, **Kyle Annen**, medical director of transfusion services and patient blood management at Children's Hospital Colorado [and assistant professor of pathology at CU School of Medicine], got an unusual phone call from a physician at a nearby medical facility.

U.S. News & World Report, May 28, 2020



[Unproven Strategies Lead the Race For a COVID-19 Vaccine](#)

The Verge talked to University of Colorado immunologists **Rosemary Rochford** and **Ross Kedi** to break down the likelihood that each vaccine strategy would make it over the finish line.

The Verge, May 22, 2020



[Filling prescriptions becomes easier for some, harder for others during COVID-19](#)

In an article published in May in *Diabetes Technology & Therapeutics*, Peters and **Satish K. Garg**, professor of medicine and pediatrics at the Barbara Davis Center for Diabetes, University of Colorado [Anschutz Medical Campus], wrote that the switch to 90-day medication supplies for people with diabetes — along with removing the barrier to drive to a clinic for a prescription — has directly influenced outcomes and reduced incidence of diabetic ketoacidosis.

Healio, May 22, 2020



[Top 10 Excuses Offered For Not Wearing Masks Despite Covid-19 Coronavirus](#)

For those who don't think wearing a mask is masculine, take a look at the #maskulinity hashtag. Here is a tweet using that hashtag from **Jamie Coleman**, a trauma and acute care surgeon at Denver Health and Associate Professor of Surgery at the University of Colorado School of Medicine, whose husband was a football player: "My husband is big. He's manly. He used to hit people for a living. And he wears masks."

Forbes, May 25, 2020



[What to Know Before Heading to an Open Beach This Memorial Day](#)

“It’s really the close contact with people – whether in the water or on land – that’s the concern,” **Daniel Pastula**, a neuro-infectious disease expert [and associate professor of neurology at CU School of Medicine], said in a [recent report](#) by UHealth, a not-for-profit health care system headquartered in Colorado.

Newsweek, May 22, 2020



[New rules for pools](#)

Michelle Barron, medical director for infection prevention and control at UHealth University of Colorado Hospital [and professor of medicine at CU School of Medicine], has gone for a soak in Orvis Hot Springs. Yet she didn’t seem overly worried about the potential for infection from its non-chlorinated waters. No, Barron is more concerned about social distancing, or a lack thereof, for anyone who chooses to frequent a public pool, sauna or spa this season.

Telluride Daily Planet, May 21, 2020