Study finds mistreatment, discrimination behind physician burnout

Lotte Dyrbye is the Senior Associate Dean of Faculty and Chief Well-Being Officer at the University of Colorado School of Medicine. She was also part of the research team that published a study this month reviewing reasons for physician burnout, including experiences of mistreatment and discrimination.

“I've seen it all and heard it all,” said Cleveland Piggott, a family medicine physician and Assistant Professor at CU School of Medicine. Piggott also serves as the Vice Chair of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion for the Department of Family Medicine.

9News, May 28, 2022

Doctors, medical students aim to inspire the next generation of Black doctors

Jeremy Ansah-Twum, a 25-year-old Black medical student at CU Anschutz, said he benefits from the MHMS program. Ansah-Twum said that his Black preceptor, Johnny Johnson, is helping him prepare for the medical world after he graduates. To prepare Ansah-Twum, Johnson detailed different situations Ansah-Twum might encounter as a Black doctor, such as the possibility of a patient or colleague showing racism towards him.

Candace Cephers, a 26-year-old Black medical student at CU Anschutz, shared Kamau's feelings about the importance of introducing Black students to STEM fields at an early age. Cephers said it is important to show young Black children that “they can do anything, that people are here for them trying to help them and mentor them, especially at a young age.”

Rocky Mountain PBS, May 31, 2022
How to talk about gun violence with your children

Jenna Glover, a child and adolescent psychologist at Children’s Hospital [and associate professor of psychiatry at CU School of Medicine], joined Colorado Matters to answer questions from parents submitted over Twitter. She gave advice for how to talk about gun violence and also how to help parents and children cope with their own emotions.

*CPR News, May 27, 2022*

With COVID positivity rate on the rise, Coloradans reminded to get boosters

“If you are going on a cruise ship, probably a good idea, just because you can’t really escape people. If you are going to be in places where you know you are going to be in high dense populations or crowds because you are all going to the same attraction, probably a good idea,” the Senior Medical Director of Infection Prevention at UCHealth Michelle Barron explained.

*Fox31, May 31, 2022*

Long COVID: Learning as We Go

David Beckham, an associate professor of medicine, immunology and microbiology, and neurology at the University of Colorado Health Infectious Disease Clinic, Anschutz Medical Campus, in Aurora, told *Infectious Disease Special Edition* that hospitalization from SARS-CoV-2, so far, is the most prominent predictor of which patients will be affected by long COVID.

*Infectious Disease Special Edition, June 1, 2022*

First presumptive case of monkeypox detected in Colorado. Here’s what we know.

“People are most infectious when they have the rash itself,” said Michelle Barron, medical director of infection control and prevention at UCHHealth University of Colorado Hospital [and professor of medicine at CU School of Medicine]. “If you come into contact with that rash, it doesn’t mean you’re necessarily going to get infected, but your risk is highest when the vesicles are there until they scab and completely fall off.”

*Channel 7, May 26, 2022*
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| ![Image](image1.png) | **Colorado doctors report bizarre spring flu season**  
“We actually saw a huge rise in cases in May, and it was influenza A,” said **Michelle Barron**, senior medical director of infection prevention at UCHealth [and professor of medicine at CU School of Medicine]. “There’s A and B. Usually, we see B in the spring, not A, and it was behaving a lot like what we normally see in December and January.”  
*Western Slope Now, June 1, 2022* |
| ![Image](image2.png) | **Colorado hospital first to implant FDA approved stent**  
Welch had the typical option of open-heart surgery or what was at the time, an experimental procedure using a stent developed by **Gareth Morgan**, an interventional cardiologist at Children’s Hospital Colorado [and associate professor of pediatrics at CU School of Medicine], and a team at NuMed for Children.  
*Fox31, May 30, 2022* |
| ![Image](image3.png) | **Children’s Hospital aims to improve newborn screening process for cystic fibrosis**  
**Stacey Martiniano** is a pediatric pulmonologist at Children’s Hospital [and associate professor of pediatrics at CU School of Medicine], who started working with their cystic fibrosis clinic over 10 years ago. “Historically, cystic fibrosis was a disease that was fatal in childhood,” Martiniano said. “Now, babies that are born with CF — we really expect them to live full lives.”  
*Channel 7, May 31, 2022* |
| ![Image](image4.png) | **How Your Heights Affects Your Risk of Disease**  
“Using genetic methods applied to the VA Million Veteran Program, we found evidence that adult height may impact over 100 clinical traits, including several conditions associated with poor outcomes and quality of life – peripheral neuropathy, lower extremity ulcers, and chronic venous insufficiency,” **Sridharan Raghavan**, an assistant professor of medicine at the University of Colorado and the lead researcher on the study, said in a press release.  
*Healthline, June 2, 2022* |
Exploding E-cigs are Injuring Unsuspecting Teens, Authorities Warn

“It definitely was an injury we were seeing frequently,” said co-author Shannon Acker, an assistant professor of pediatric surgery at the University of Colorado School of Medicine and a pediatric surgeon at Children’s Hospital Colorado. “When we think about e-cigarettes, vaping, and the problems of marketing cigarettes to teenagers, it usually has to do with addiction and lung injury. Whereas we, as trauma surgeons, were seeing these other traumatic injuries.”

Legal Reader, June 2, 2022

Veteran suicide prevention pursued in $20M competition

One of the judges listed on the Mission Daybreak website has a Colorado connection: Dr. Lisa Brenner, director of the Department of Veterans Affairs’s Rocky Mountain Mental Illness Research, Education, and Clinical Center, known as MIRECC. Brenner is a professor of physical medicine and rehabilitation, psychiatry and neurology at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus.

Colorado Newsline, May 30, 2022

Enterovirus D68, Long Suspected Cause of Acute Flaccid Myelitis, Found in Anterior Horn Cells

Kenneth L. Tyler, professor and chair of neurology at the University of Colorado Neurosciences Center, Anschutz Medical Campus, previously created a mouse model in which EV-D68 caused AFM-like paralysis. In an interview with Neurology Today, he said he considered the paper to be important in establishing the cause of AFM.

Neurology Today, May 27, 2022

Camels provide ‘ancient’ milk alternative for adults

“There are some potential benefits for adults or even children, not infants and young toddlers who need to be consuming formula,” said Bonnie Jortberg, a registered dietitian and nutritionist at the University of Colorado Anschutz medical campus.

WDBJ7, May 27, 2022
Opinion: Politics, not doctors, place transgender children at risk

Guest column by Warren Binford, professor of pediatrics, professor of law, and the W.H. Lea Endowed Chair for Justice in Pediatric Law, Policy & Ethics at the University of Colorado, and co-author: “If we as a society are truly committed to the prevention of child abuse, let’s stop using politics to attack kids and instead start trying to understand and accept them, shall we?”

Denver Post, June 2, 2022