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[Endemic state of mind: Infectious disease specialist on the transition of COVID](#)

“There is no doubt we could potentially have another surge come back, and obviously, that’s something we are thinking about and thinking about how we need to prepare for that,” said **Michelle Barron** with UCHealth [and CU School of Medicine]. “The big difference is level of immunity.”

*9News, March 2, 2022*



[As Omicron cases fall, doctors anxiously await possible surge of dangerous child complication MIS-C](#)

At Children’s Hospital of Colorado, workers are seeing about two or three cases of MIS-C a week, despite what **Pei-Ni Jone** [professor of pediatrics at CU School of Medicine] described as “a ton” of Covid-19 cases. She said some of the MIS-C patients have been vaccinated, but the vast majority are not. “The MIS-C children, we thought we may see an uptick with Omicron, but we haven’t. It’s very similar for us with the Delta surge,” the cardiology specialist said. “It’s really unknown what’s driving the MIS-C cases.”

*CNN, Feb. 22, 2022*



[A growing number of Colorado children have lost a caregiver due to COVID](#)

Losing a primary caregiver is always an adverse experience, because it is not an expected experience in childhood, said **Ayelet Talmi**, director of the University of Colorado School of Medicine’s [Harris Program](#), which provides clinical training and research into infant and early childhood mental health.

*Colorado Newslines, March 1, 2022*



### [New chief of mental health at Colorado Children’s Hospital says care crisis is dire](#)

The sharp rise in these rates led Children’s Hospital Colorado to declare a state of emergency last year for pediatric mental health. We speak with the head of mental health at Children’s Hospital Colorado, **Ron-Li Liaw**, [visiting professor of psychiatry at CU School of Medicine] to discuss her role and the state of youth mental health in Colorado.

*KUNC (Greeley), Feb. 24, 2022*



### [Neem tree bark has the potential to treat coronaviruses](#)

Study co-author **Maria Nagel** is a research professor in the Department of Neurology and Ophthalmology at the University of Colorado School of Medicine. “The goal of this research is to develop a Neem-based medication that can reduce the risk of serious illness when someone is infected with coronaviruses,” said Nagel.

*Earth.com, March 1, 2022*



### [Outpatient antibiotics improve care for drug use-associated infective endocarditis](#)

“Outpatient treatment approaches for endocarditis may not only save lives, but also save money that could then be allocated to evidence-based programs for the opioid crisis,” **Joshua A. Barocas**, associate professor of medicine at the University of Colorado School of Medicine, said in a press release.

*Healio, March 2, 2022*



### [‘Firearm Life Plan’ developed in Colorado provides resources for families, gun owners](#)

“It’s something that we developed for firearm owners and their families to help think through what they would want to happen in the future, either if they develop impairments that make them less safe at handling firearms, or ultimately at their death,” said **Emmy Betz**, professor at the University of Colorado School of Medicine and Director of the Firearm Injury Prevention Initiative.

*KRDO (Colorado Springs), Feb. 24, 2022*



### [Musical Passion Reignited 6 Years After Bile Duct Cancer Diagnosis](#)

“Jim’s diagnosis was bile duct cancer, which is rarer than pancreas cancer,” explains **Richard Schulick**, director of the University of Colorado (CU) Cancer Center and chair of the Department of Surgery at CU School of Medicine. “The head of the pancreas and the bile duct occupy the exact same space, so if a cancer develops in one it can give the exact same symptoms as the other. Sometimes we don’t even know if it’s pancreas cancer or bile duct cancer until we take it out.”

*Cancer Health, March 2, 2022*



### [Speaker: ‘Potential is high’ for remote patient monitoring in difficult-to-control asthma](#)

“I remember in that first week of telehealth implementation, the physician in charge of doing this for our section said, ‘It’s like flying a plane while you’re building it.’ And yet she did it, and we’re doing it, and we know that digital tech has been absolutely essential to pandemic health care,” **Andrew Liu**, director of the Airway Inflammation, Resilience & the Environment (AIRE) Program, at Children’s Hospital Colorado and professor of pediatrics at University of Colorado School of Medicine, said.

*Healio, Feb. 25, 2022*



### [Maternal diet during pregnancy may impact development of asthma, allergies in offspring](#)

**Carina Venter**, associate professor of pediatrics in the section of allergy/immunology at Children’s Hospital Colorado and University of Colorado School of Medicine, provided the latest data on the role the maternal diet during pregnancy may have on the infant microbiome and subsequent development of allergies and asthma, including research she has led on the topic.

*Healio, Feb. 28, 2022*



### [Does One Mab Come Out on Top for Boosting Lung Function in Asthma?](#)

**William Anderson**, of Children’s Hospital Colorado/University of Colorado in Aurora, told *MedPage Today* that cross-study comparisons like this need to be taken with caution. “We as physicians try to use whatever evidence base is available that can help us make these decisions about what drug is best for our patients,” he said.

*MedPage Today, March 1, 2022*



[Winter Park ski train draws complaints from residents](#)

**Anthony Gerber** of National Jewish Health told FOX31 that diesel fumes contain dangerous particulates. “If residents are smelling it, you can imagine that there is a high enough concentration that it can bother sensitive people,” he said. Gerber [professor of medicine at CU School of Medicine] added that some conditions, like asthma, can be triggered by fumes. Anyone experiencing severe symptoms should consult their physician.

*Fox31, Feb. 24, 2022*



[6 hospital execs share what excites them most about remote monitoring](#)

**Richard Zane**, Chief Innovation Officer at UCHHealth (Aurora, Colo.): The promise of remote patient monitoring is compelling. By being able to integrate devices — such as the Apple Watch or BioSticker — and prescriptive intelligence into workflows, we have the opportunity to completely blur the lines between not only virtual, home, and traditional brick-and-mortar care, but also synchronous and asynchronous communication.

*Becker’s Hospital Review, Feb. 24, 2022*