Health data for all

The variations in data formats, combined with regulations to protect patient privacy, make working with data warehouses challenging. Access to a repository is usually restricted to people within an institution, and international data protections can prove even more daunting. “The data are just truly not interoperable across health systems,” says Melissa Haendel, a data scientist at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus in Aurora.

Nature, May 3, 2022

When will COVID vaccines be approved for young kids? Here’s what we know.

In his practice as a pediatrician, Sean O’Leary gets a lot of calls from worried parents. And, lately, one kind of call has begun to stand out. “The parents I hear from are the ones who are reaching out to me desperately because they want their kids to have a COVID vaccine,” he said. O’Leary is an infectious disease specialist at Children’s Hospital Colorado and also a professor at the University of Colorado School of Medicine.

Colorado Sun, May 5, 2022

Moderna asks FDA to authorize first COVID-19 vaccine for very young children

Here’s Sean O’Leary. He’s a pediatrician at Children’s Hospital Colorado, who advises the American Academy of Pediatrics. SEAN O’LEARY: I’m excited. You know, we’ve been waiting for this for a while now. We’ve been, you know, hoping for a vaccine for these younger kids for quite some time. So I think, you know, overall, this is great news.

NPR, April 28, 2022
Over 63% of Family Members of COVID-19 ICU Patients Experienced ‘Significant Symptoms of PTSD,’ Study Finds

The study was led by Timothy Amass, an assistant professor of medicine at the University of Colorado School of Medicine, and published last week in *JAMA Internal Medicine*. Amass and his team analyzed data from 330 family members of COVID-19 patients who spent time in the ICU between February 1 and July 31, 2020.

*Self, May 3, 2022*

CU Anschutz exhibit highlights disparities in care for LGBTQ elders

An exhibit on display at CU Anschutz in Aurora is highlighting the disparities in care for elderly people in the LGBTQ community. Carey Candrian, a researcher and associate professor at the medical school, received multiple grants to work on the project titled Eye to Eye on display at the Fulqiniti Pavilion for Bioethics and Humanities on the CU Anschutz campus.

*9News, May 1, 2022*

Become a More Joyful Person in 14 Days With Our Happiness Challenge

“When we don’t take care of ourselves, we’re more likely to feel fatigued and get physical symptoms, like stress-related headaches or pain,” says Helen L. Coons, a clinical health psychologist specializing in women’s behavioral health and wellness at the University of Colorado School of Medicine. “The biggest thing is being intentional of how we take care of ourselves. When we’re not last on the task list, we have more energy to do what’s important to us.”

*Good Housekeeping, April 28, 2022*

Healthcare’s responsibility to shrink its carbon footprint

“This is not going away,” said Jay Lemery, Professor of Emergency Medicine at the University of Colorado School of Medicine in Aurora, Co-director of its Climate and Health Program, and a Member of the National Academy of Medicine. “It is only going to accelerate in terms of consequences for any business, but particularly for healthcare.”

*Modern Healthcare, April 30, 2022*
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<td><strong>Neurons don’t necessarily end where they begin</strong>&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;<strong>Martin W. Breuss</strong>, former project scientist at UC San Diego and now an assistant professor at the University of Colorado School of Medicine, said, “The results have implications for certain human diseases, like intractable epilepsies, where patients show spontaneous convulsive seizures and require surgery to remove an epileptic brain focus.”&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;<em>Tech Explorist, May 4, 2022</em></td>
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<td><strong>Clinical Trial Focuses on Remote Monitoring of Cancer Patients</strong>&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;Continuous monitoring of body temperature can detect weak signals or trends in ways that traditional temperature-taking, even in hospitals, can find challenging, according to <strong>Clay Smith</strong>, director of the Blood Disorders and Cell Therapies Center and medical director of UCHealth and CU Innovation Centers [and professor of medicine at CU School of Medicine].&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;<em>Health Leaders, May 4, 2022</em></td>
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<td><strong>Morton Mower, who helped create a lifesaving heart device, dies at 89</strong>&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;After moving to Denver around 2010, he taught at the University of Colorado medical school in Aurora. The school was one of several institutions that exhibited artwork collected by <strong>Morton Mower</strong> and his wife, Toby, a nurse who helped launch residential recovery homes in Baltimore for people battling drug and alcohol addiction.&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;<em>Washington Post, May 3, 2022</em></td>
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