### CU white coat ceremony

“"It is a symbol of the special status you have as a physician and therefore the special responsibility you have as a physician to listen to your patients, to advocate for them, to help them make tough decisions," said **John Reilly, Jr.**, dean of the CU School of Medicine.

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Waiting in line at a soup kitchen or riding a bus may not be typical medical school curriculum, but that’s exactly what more than 20 students from CU School of Medicine did last week. “It’s to give people an idea of what it’s like to live in poverty, how people struggle,” says **Erik Wallace**, who directs the Colorado Springs branch of the CU Medical School.

*KRCC – Southern Colorado’s NPR Station, Aug. 18, 2016*

### Feds deem pot more dangerous than meth, cocaine; allows more access to medicinal study

“It’s really important for the entire medical community to establish if marijuana products are effective,” says **Amy Brooks-Kayal**, who is the head of pediatric neurology at Children’s Hospital Colorado. “If so, for whom are they effective? How are they best utilized and at what dose?”

*NBC26 (Green Bay, Wis.), Aug. 11, 2016*
Depression Often Follows Heart Surgery, As Political Strategist Ted Trimpa Learned

A top cardiologist in Colorado, John Rumsfeld of the CU School of Medicine, says the connection is not discussed enough or thoroughly understood: “First of all, it’s the way we’re trained in medicine. There are highly skilled psychiatrists and psychologists in Colorado and in the United States of course, but they go through a different pathway of training right out of medical school than do surgeons and cardiologists and primary care physicians.”

*Colorado Public Radio, Aug. 17, 2016*

Newly developed drug used to help treat cystic fibrosis

Scott Sagel, Children’s Hospital Colorado Pediatric Pulmonologist: “This is one that is targeting the basic defect, the protein abnormality in the body, so we do think of it as a disease-modifying treatment, one that will be life-extending for individuals with cystic fibrosis.”

*CCTV, Aug. 17, 2016*

Early screening saves woman with lung cancer

“The problem with traditional lung cancer is that they’re diagnosed at a late stage because most people don’t have symptoms until it’s very advanced,” said Derek Linderman, co-director of the Nodule Clinic at UCH.

*9News, Aug. 12, 2016*

Families In Need of Lifesaving ‘EpiPens’ Shocked at Price Increase

“It’s absolutely a lifesaving measure for those that are identified as being at risk,” said Rohit Katial with National Jewish Health. “Unfortunately for some folks it could be pricey and currently we don’t have an easy way around it.”

*CBS4, Aug. 12, 2016*
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<td>Bonnie Jortberg, an assistant professor in the Department of Family Medicine at the CU School of Medicine, says the human body evolved for a feast/famine environment, slowing metabolism to compensate for periods when food was not plentiful. Modern humans, however, live in a feast/feast world, where food is always available.</td>
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<td>Why do I wake up in the middle of the night?</td>
<td>“While restless sleep or persistent snoring may seem harmless, chronic sleep deprivation can reduce your body’s resistance to infection and increase your risk of for more serious medical conditions,” said Teofilo L. Lee-Chiong Jr., a professor of medicine at National Jewish Health and the CU School of Medicine.</td>
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<td>Study in mice shows Zika virus also attacks adult brain cells</td>
<td>In rare cases, Zika has also been linked with Guillain-Barre Syndrome, a post-infectious autoimmune disorder that can cause temporary paralysis in adults. “It’s really unclear if this translates to human Zika infections,” said Daniel Pastula, a neurologist and medical epidemiologist at CU.</td>
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<td>Grant will fund CU researchers attempting to fix brain connections using new microscope</td>
<td>“One major problem with the brain is that with certain diseases or injuries, one part of the brain stops talking to another,” said Diego Restrepo, professor of cell and developmental biology and director of the Center for NeuroScience at the CU School of Medicine.</td>
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The science behind Olympic competition

“All the merit goes to them, obviously, and their coaches, Coach Wetmore and Heather Burroughs,” said Inigo San Millan, director of the CU Sports Medicine Center in Boulder. “We just contribute to the scientific aspect of it.”

9News, Aug. 17, 2016

Back in the saddle

Jason Stoneback, director of orthopedic trauma and fracture surgery at the University of Colorado Hospital, said replanting a thumb detached in a rodeo injury is extremely difficult because of the way vessels and tissue are crushed. Stoneback, a rodeoer himself, called the loss of a thumb “a devastating injury.”

Omaha World-Herald, Aug. 17, 2016