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<td>Parents Face Tough Questions About School Closure, Threat</td>
<td>“Our phones have been lighting up all morning long,” said Jenna Glover, child psychologist with Children’s Hospital Colorado [and assistant professor of psychiatry at CU School of Medicine]. “Validate how they’re feeling. This is a scary time. It’s okay to feel scared and also balance that with reassurance that schools, by and large, are very safe places to be,” added Glover.</td>
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<td>Today, April 18, 2019</td>
<td>Measles outbreaks: As cases rise, parents ask, ‘Is your child vaccinated?’</td>
<td>How parents address the vaccine question with other families during an outbreak depends on many different factors, including the age of their child and the severity of the outbreak, said Sean O’Leary, a spokesman for the American Academy of Pediatrics and an associate professor of pediatrics at the CU Anschutz Medical Campus.</td>
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<td>Channel 7, April 15, 2019</td>
<td>Colorado bill which tightens loopholes that allow parents to opt out of child vaccinations advances</td>
<td>Aimee Bernard, who is the mother of twins and the CU School of Medicine’s assistant director of the Human Immunology and Immunotherapy Initiative, says vaccinating her kids is a no-brainer…. “Right now, it’s really, really easy to opt out, and I think there should be a little bit more of a formal process. I want to keep [my kids] as safe and healthy as possible.”</td>
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Myths and facts about the measles outbreak

“An outbreak is basically when there’s more than one or two cases of a specific disease that you don’t anticipate. These are not uncommon. The movies sort of make it seem like it’s going to be this dramatic event that the whole world is going to end because this is floating through when, in fact, they occur all the time,” said Michelle Barron, Medical Director of Infection Prevention at UCH Health University of Colorado Hospital [and professor of medicine].

9News, April 16, 2019

How climate change affects public health

In addition to weather events, climate change indirectly leads to an increase in chronic diseases in those particularly vulnerable, said Jay Lemery, associate professor of emergency medicine at the CU School of Medicine, “It rarely can be attributed as the sole cause of an exacerbation of chronic disease, but it’s definitely a force-multiplier, where it pushes these people that are existing with very tenuous physiology over the cliff,” Lemery said.

WRVO, April 13, 2019

Parents learn how to talk about mental health with kids at Stapleton event

“A lot of the questions we get are, ‘How do I talk to my kids?’” said Scott Cypers, the Director of Anxiety Programs at the CU Helen and Arthur E Johnson Depression Center. “You teach kids math, you teach kids English, what do you do with mental health? You’ve got to teach mental health,” he said.

9News, April 17, 2019

Does marijuana cause lung cancer? Doctors call for more research

“There are respiratory effects to using smoked marijuana for long periods of time,” said Russell Bowler, director of the COPD clinic at National Jewish Health [and professor of medicine at the CU School of Medicine]. He’s a member of the Retail Marijuana Public Health Advisory Committee for the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, which commissioned the study.

NBC News, April 13, 2019
### Simple test can indicate prolonged symptoms following pediatric sports-related concussion

Researchers from Children’s Hospital Colorado and the CU School of Medicine have found that abnormal performance on the Romberg balance test can indicate that children and adolescents will experience prolonged symptoms following sports-related concussion. This finding is reported in a new article by David R. Howell and colleagues in the *Journal of Neurosurgery: Pediatrics*.  

*Medical Xpress, April 16, 2019*

### Teens are more open about talking about mental health and suicide. But they say adults are slow to catch up.

“There is definitely a generational shift,” said Jason Williams, a psychologist with the Pediatric Mental Health Institute at Children’s Hospital Colorado [and associate adjoint professor of psychiatry at CU School of Medicine].

*Denver Post, April 15, 2019*

### ‘A tough little girl’: North Dakota baby born with rare heart condition

“After the third day home, she wasn’t really eating. ... She would just sleep. It started getting worse. I went to go see her doctor in Bismarck. At that point, he was terrified. He’s like ‘She’s not doing good. We need to give her ICU right now in Bismarck. I’m still finding who’s the best surgeon for her.’” That surgeon was James Jaggers of Children’s Hospital Colorado [and CU School of Medicine].

*InForum (Fargo, ND), April 13, 2019*

### What we know about the polio-like illness paralyzing children – and what we don’t

“That temporal and geographic correlation is a piece of the puzzle,” says Kevin Messacar, a pediatric infectious disease physician and researcher at Children’s Hospital Colorado [and assistant professor of pediatrics at CU School of Medicine].

*Popular Science, April 4, 2019*
11 Rhesus Monkeys were Genetically Engineered to Have Human Brain Genes

Jacqueline Glover, a CU bioethicist, was among those who questioned the ethics of the experiment even if the research authors have pointed out that rhesus monkeys are distant enough to alleviate any ethical concerns.

*The Science Times, April 13, 2019*

Closing the gender pay gap in medicine

“We encourage division heads to share benchmark data with new recruits during the hiring process, or I share them myself. That’s part of the transparency process,” says David A. Schwartz, professor and chair of the DOM at CU School of Medicine.

*AAMCNews, April 16, 2019*

At Colorado, a Breach in Football’s Wall

Sherrie Ballantine [assistant professor of orthopedics at the CU School of Medicine] works at the sports medicine center, and she is certainly not a football abolitionist, but she too sounded dubious of an armament fix. “The more you pad a player, the more aggressive and stupid they play,” she said. “We’re better off padding the goal posts.”

*The New York Times, April 18, 2019*

Buffeted By Backlash, CU Presidential Candidate Says He’ll Be “A Champion For Welcoming All”

Mark Kennedy, the sole finalist for the position of University of Colorado system president, promised that whatever his views on abortion and stem cell research, ongoing research would not be affected and that the university’s prominence as a research institution would be one of his top priorities as leader. “Academic freedom protects that for faculty,” he said.

*Colorado Public Radio, April 16, 2019*

Mark Kennedy asked if he could skip a Colorado Public Radio question on affirmative action. Here’s his clarified answer.

When Mark R. Kennedy, the finalista for the University of Colorado’s presidency, was queried about affirmative action in a Colorado Public Radio interview that aired Wednesday, he asked if he could decline to answer the question. … “Can I just not answer that question?”… Kennedy later told The Denver Post that his awkward answer was a
result of thinking he was going to be late to a meeting. “Which I did end up being late for,” he said. “My concern was the time to get to my next meeting.”

*Denver Post, April 17, 2019*