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Drug Take Back

The School, with campus police and the DEA, hosted another successful drug take back event Saturday, April 28. Current students, alumni and staff helped collect, sort and dispose of nearly 200 pounds of medications. The next take back will be held in the fall. In the meantime, click here for an interactive map of permanent drop off locations.

Congratulations

The following pharmacy school faculty were recently selected for a variety of awards including CU Anschutz Faculty Excellence Awards. According to Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs Roderick Nairn, "The campus awards are special not only because they acknowledge outstanding performance in core areas as a university, but also because they are recognition by faculty peers of this exemplary work." Recipients were chosen by selection committees comprised of previous award winners.

- Scott Mueller, President's Excellence in Teaching
- Husband and wife duo, Jennifer and Ty Kiser were both recipients of the Chancellor's Teaching Awards. Jennifer received her award on behalf of the Graduate School, while Ty received recognition on behalf of CU Skaggs School of Pharmacy
- David Thompson received the 2018 Faculty Council Distinguished Service Award, recognizing service to CU and contributions through participation in
faculty governance.

- Joseph Saseen recently received the President's Service Award from the National Lipid Association where he has served on its board of directors, most recently as the Executive Council Chair. For his service and dedication to the organization and advancing the development of the specialty of Clinical Lipidology, he received a plaque and a unique gift -- an actual chair. Drop by his office to see it.

- Scott Mueller was inducted as Fellow of the American College of Critical Care Medicine at the annual congress meeting in recognition for his significant contributions to the profession at a regional, state and local level.

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**What's Up In DOPS?**

- Dinesh G. Goswami, postdoctoral fellow, won the Ocular Toxicology Specialty Section trainee travel award at the Society of Toxicology meeting last month.

- Neera Tewari-Singh, assistant research professor, was awarded the Dermal Toxicology Specialty section Annual Paper of the Year Award at the Society of Toxicology meeting. She was also elected Vice President Elect of the Society of Toxicology-Dermal Toxicology Specialty Section and Secretary Treasurer of the Society of Toxicology-Ocular Toxicology Specialty Section.

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**Celebrating Student Scholarships and Awards**
A special milestone was celebrated at this year's Scholarships and Awards Convocation on April 27 — the 25th anniversary of the Theresa McMahan-Shulkin Memorial Scholarship. The award was created in memory of Gene McMahan's daughter, Theresa, who graduated from CU Pharmacy in 1976 and passed away in 1994. The scholarship covers a year of tuition for a P-3 student. This year's winner was Wendy Serrano, who was ecstatic to receive the award and is pictured above with her family and Mr. McMahan. Previous award winners sent a message of gratitude to be played at the ceremony. [Watch their thank you messages](#) and well wishes. In total, approximately a half million dollars was awarded. A big thank you to all of our scholarship donors and congratulations to all the winners.

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**In the News**

The school and its experts are consistently sought out by reporters covering a variety of topics. This month included CU internal communications, as well as local and national news outlets.

- Assistant Dean for Clinical and Professional Affairs Gina Moore, PharmD, was making headlines about new laws in Colorado. [APhA](#) and other outlets highlighted the new Colorado bill that would reimburse some services pharmacists provide.
• Professor Rob Valuck, PhD, was interviewed by 9NEWS about a new program that helps inmates fight drug addiction. He was also interviewed by Stephanie Daniels of KUNC radio, a local NPR station, KHOW radio, 9NEWS and Channel 7 about carrying narcan without a prescription.

• CU Anschutz Today highlighted our School's Pharmacist Line9 call ins with a story written by Deb Melani titled Answering the Call: Line9 puts pharmacy school into action.

• The School staffed another Pharmacist Line9 on 9NEWS April 23. Professor Peter Rice, PharmD/PhD, was also interviewed by the station during its afternoon newscast about allergies. The next call in is May 17 from 4 - 5.30 p.m.