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[How physicians can fight misinformation about vaccines](#)

“You won’t get absolute vaccine refusers with this approach, but you will get a lot of parents who are on the fence,” says **Sean O’Leary**, associate professor of pediatrics and infectious diseases at the CU Anschutz Medical Campus. “By taking that presumptive approach, you’re emphasizing vaccination as the social norm.”

Medical Economics, July 8, 2019



[Adults find treatment for congenital heart disease at Children’s Hospital](#)

“Recently, Children’s has developed a policy where we shouldn’t have an age limit because the expertise for many procedures here,” said **Joseph Kay**, program director for the Adult Congenital Heart Disease Program [and associate professor of pediatrics and CU School of Medicine].

9News, July 3, 2019



[3 things to know about cholesterol](#)

“First of all, it’s important for people to understand that cholesterol is itself not a bad thing,” said **Robert Eckel**, director of the Lipid Clinic at University of Colorado Hospital [and professor of medicine at CU School of Medicine], who was part of the team that created cholesterol guidelines for the American Heart Association, American College of Cardiology and other health organisations in 2013.

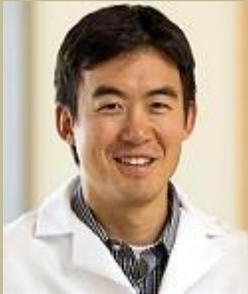
Health24.com, July 6, 2019



[Later school start times lead to more academic engagement](#)

“Later start times actually work with an adolescent’s natural sleep cycle rather than disrupting it. During puberty a teen’s ability to fall asleep is delayed by a later onset of melatonin, thus early school start times mean that rather than waking naturally at the end of their sleep need or sleep cycle, teens are awakened when their brains should be still sleeping,” said **Lisa J. Meltzer**, an associate professor of pediatrics at National Jewish Health [and associate professor of family medicine at CU School of Medicine].

Healio, July 3, 2019



[Medical marijuana for children](#)

To help pediatricians traverse this landscape—for many, foreign terrain—**G. Sam Wang**, assistant professor of Pediatrics, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus, Children’s Hospital Colorado, and a colleague from Sidney Kimmel Medical College co-presented a session during the 2018 AAP National Conference and Exhibition in Orlando, Florida, titled “Marijuana as medicine.”

Contemporary Pediatrics, July 3, 2019



[Small Vessels Hold Big Clue to PAD Limb Amputation Risk](#)

“I think the findings are important in that loss of a limb due to vascular diseases is considered an ‘irreversible harm’ event meaning that even a minor amputation involving the toes or foot can alter the patient’s function and quality of life,” commented **William Hiatt**, of CU School of Medicine.

MedPage Today, July 8, 2019



[Higher radiation doses linked to tumor progression, shorter OS in lung cancer](#)

“Over the last decade, a lot of research supports the idea that a functional immune system plays a key role in tumor cell killing following the DNA damage created by radiation therapy,” **Sameer K. Nath**, investigator at University of Colorado Cancer Center and assistant professor in department of radiation oncology at CU School of Medicine, said. “Our hypothesis is that higher doses of radiation to the immune system contribute to worse survival in those patients.”

Healio, July 5, 2019



[How to immunize yourself against medical school burnout](#)

Throughout her career, **Jan Kief**, has found that joy in the clinic she owned and operated as well as in her experiences working to educate the next generation of physicians. “I always had in my office medical students; teaching keeps it so fresh,” said Kief, an internist from Highlands Ranch, Colorado, who is an adjunct faculty member at Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine [and president of the CU School of Medicine Medical Alumni Association].

AMA, July 9, 2019



[“If not me, who?” Colorado medical students pursue training as abortion providers even as more states restrict access](#)

“It probably does not affect medical school education very much,” added CU medical student **Kaitlin Vanderkolk**, noting that abortion training typically happens later during residency programs. She is also with Students for Life.



“It’s essential that people of faith have fundamental protections to live out their faith while practicing medicine,” said **Joseph Fuchs**, a student at the CU School of Medicine and a member of Students for Life, an anti-abortion nonprofit based in Virginia.



But for medical students such as **Aly Sotiros**, the stringent abortion laws passed by some states are already playing a role in where they might go for training — or, eventually, to practice medicine. “We traveled to Alabama for vacation a few months ago, and as much as we loved the beach, we said we can’t ever move here because I would be put in jail,” said Sotiros, a student at the CU School of Medicine.

Denver Post, July 11, 2019