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[Mark Kennedy is the University of Colorado’s next president after regents’ 5-4 party-line vote](#)

**Mark R. Kennedy** will become the 23rd president of the University of Colorado, securing the job with a 5-4 party-line vote by CU’s elected Board of Regents on Thursday afternoon following weeks of controversy surrounding the former Republican congressman’s candidacy. His contract is for a three-year, 15-day term. He’ll be paid \$650,000 a year in base salary for the first year, then \$850,000 a year beginning June 15, 2020.

*Denver Post, May 2, 2019*



[Academic medical centers face identity overhaul](#)

“Increasingly, there is an assumption that the vast majority of providers provide a basic acceptable quality of healthcare; thus, as with commodities, price becomes the primary differentiator,” **Lilly Marks**, vice president for health affairs at the University of Colorado and chair of the Association of American Medical Colleges, told PwC.

*Modern Healthcare, April 29, 2019*



[How vulnerable is Colorado to a measles outbreak due to its low vaccination rate? Experts weigh in.](#)

“We’ve seen it happen over and over in communities where the vaccination rate is low,” said **Jessica Cataldi**, a pediatrician at Children’s Hospital Colorado [and assistant professor of pediatrics at CU School of Medicine] and vaccine researcher ... “Measles is actually the most contagious infectious disease that we know of.”

*Denver Post, April 30, 2019*



### [Dr. Sean O'Leary talks about measles outbreaks](#)

**Sean O'Leary** from CU Anschutz Medical Campus: "There's no science supporting these claims that vaccines are causing the harms. The benefits of vaccination clearly outweigh the risks. The problem is that once a myth gets circulated, it's very difficult to get that out of the public consciousness."

*KOA, April 29, 2019*

### [Senate Democrats Won't Let Vaccine Bill Pass This Session](#)

"Personally, I'm deeply disappointed that our legislature ended up putting politics ahead of children's health. Rep. Mullica showed a lot of courage taking this bill as far as he did," said **Sean O'Leary**, a pediatric infectious disease specialist at Children's Hospital Colorado.

*Colorado Public Radio, May 2, 2019*



### [Surprise: Vaccination bill getting Colorado Senate hearing today](#)

"It's a great step in the right direction to increase immunization rates in Colorado," **Anne Frank**, a pediatrician at Denver Health [and assistant professor of internal medicine and pediatrics at CU School of Medicine], said Wednesday, adding that there is "urgency" to pass the bill because of measles outbreaks in other states.

*Denver Post, May 1, 2019*



### [The Biology Of Weight Loss](#)

In this episode of the "Rethinking Weight Loss" Life Kit podcast, we spoke to Kevin Hall, senior scientist at the National Institute of Diabetes Digestive and Kidney Diseases, and **Holly Wyatt**, an endocrinologist and researcher at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus.

*NPR, May 1, 2019*



### [Everything you need to know about the 'kissing bug'](#)

**Andres Henao-Martinez** with CU Anschutz Medical Campus said there have been Chagas disease patients in Colorado. Henao-Martinez specializes in infectious diseases and says every patient he's treated with Chagas has acquired it in a foreign country but was treated in the U.S.

*Fox31, April 26, 2019*



### [Titanium Ankle For Active 63 Year Old Becomes First For Colorado Hospital](#)

“That bone had lost its structure and therefore the entire foot was out of position,” said **Kenneth Hunt**, orthopedic surgeon and medical director of the UCHealth Foot and Ankle Center Stapleton [and associate professor of orthopedics at CU School of Medicine]....The procedure is offered by other orthopedic surgeons and medical centers, but this is the first time it has been done at UCHealth University of Colorado Hospital.

*CBS4, April 29, 2019*



### [Redefining family](#)

“Even if you don’t decide to be in one of those databases, if a relative is in it, you are going to be there somehow,” says **Matthew DeCamp**, an internal medicine doctor and bioethicist from the University of Colorado. “This has changed the approach regarding donor’s anonymity and disclosure.”

*Boulder Weekly, May 2, 2019*



### [‘This is the tip of the iceberg’: More than 8,500 women have joined the 500 Women Scientists database](#)

Since the grassroots organization launched its [searchable database](#) of women scientists in January 2018, more than 8,500 researchers across the globe have shared their information.... STAT spoke with [CU School of Medicine] neuroscientist **Elizabeth McCullagh** and molecular biologist Maryam Zaringhalam, two members of the leadership team of 500 Women Scientists who were also the co-authors of the new paper.

*STAT, April 23, 2019*



### [Kid visits to hospital emergency rooms increase following recreational pot legalization](#)

At the University of Colorado Hospital, **Andrew Monte** told us anecdotally “many” of the 15 or so cannabis-related admissions his emergency room saw per week were children. “If they’re left around the house and not stored properly, then children get into them, because they look like candy bars,” Monte said.

*KLAS (Las Vegas), April 30, 2019*



### [New Blood Pressure Guidelines for Kids Identify More Who Are at Risk for Early Heart Disease](#)

“We think that chronic effect of having high blood pressure over time is what ultimately does damage to the heart and blood vessels,” says **Stephen Daniels**, professor and chair of the department of pediatrics at the CU School of Medicine and a pediatrician-in-chief at Children’s Hospital Colorado. “The new guidelines are reassuring because they are helping us find those kids who need the most attention.”

*Everyday Health, April 29, 2019*



### [Peanut allergy treatment may increase risk of anaphylaxis, study finds](#)

Even with the possible risk of anaphylaxis at home, the treatment may be still be worthwhile for parents and children who are afraid of accidental exposure to peanuts, said **Bruce J. Lanser**, an assistant professor of pediatrics [at CU School of Medicine] and director of the Pediatric Food Allergy Program at National Jewish Health.

*NBC, April 26, 2019*



### [Thyroid Hormone Suppression Therapy – Less is More for Thyroid Cancer](#)

For endocrinologists, **Bryan Haugen**, professor of medicine and pathology, and head of the division of endocrinology, metabolism and diabetes at CU, said the bottom line is that “one size thyroid hormone therapy and TSH target ranges does not fit all differentiated thyroid cancer patients. The TSH target should be based on the severity of the disease and most importantly, the response to therapy weighted against the individual’s risk factors for taking excess thyroid hormone therapy.”

*EndocrineWeb, April 26, 2019*



### [Highlighting the Latest Advancements in Bladder Cancer](#)

**Thomas W. Flaig**, professor and associate dean for clinical research, Genitourinary Cancer Program, Division of Medical Oncology, University of Colorado, discusses the most dramatic change in the treatment landscape for patients with advanced bladder cancer.

*Targeted Oncology, May 2, 2019*



### [Aurora Is Growing Fast – and Isn't Slowing Down](#)

Expect to see plenty of cranes at the medical complex for the near future. UCHHealth is building a third inpatient tower, the innovation community continues to expand, and the campus broke ground in January on the 390,000-square-foot Anschutz Health Sciences Building, which will hold labs and classrooms.

*5280, May 2019*



### [Abuse victim in Gary: Treat child abuse, neglect like a deadly disease](#)

Last year, along with her childhood pediatrician, **Richard Krugman**, the former dean of the University of Colorado School of Medicine, **Lori Poland** founded the [National Foundation to End Child Abuse and Neglect](#), or EndCAN.

*NWITimes (Munster, Ind.), April 29, 2019*