

Thursday, March 14, 2024

Winter Warriors: Denver Health's snow day

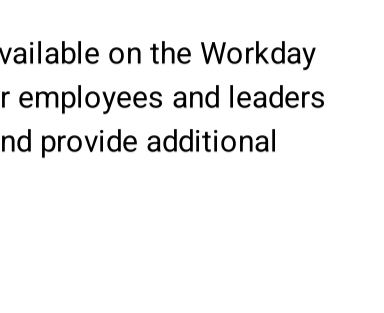


Thank you to all of our health care heroes for working to ensure that Denver Health continues to meet the needs of our patients during this snowstorm. From clearing the sidewalks and setting up sleeping accommodations to all staff making it in despite the weather conditions, some even spending the night, we all play a part in serving our community. You are the heart of our city!

STAY INFORMED

Denver Health transitions from Cornerstone to Workday Learning

The second half of March brings important changes to Denver Health's learning management system. Cornerstone is moving to Workday. This requires a freeze in employee being able to take online courses. The transition brings a number of benefits to Denver Health, including putting all management of our people in one system.



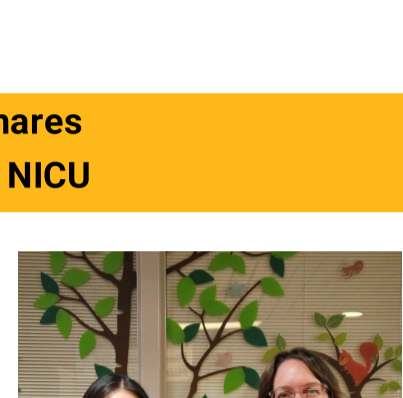
Building our training into the HR system should also improve participation. Workday Learning allows for targeted training, eliminating the need for send-all email communications. All course history and transcripts for employees will be available in Workday.

The Workday Team is creating a number of job aids that will be available on the Workday Resources Hub soon. Workday Wednesdays also are returning for employees and leaders looking to make contact with those who can answer questions and provide additional guidance if necessary. Key dates are below:

- **March 15:** Last day for online learning in Cornerstone.
- **March 16-25:** Cornerstone freeze.
- **March 18:** NEO will take place but without access to a learning management system.
- **March 25:** Workday Learning will go live.
- **March 29:** All access to Cornerstone ends.

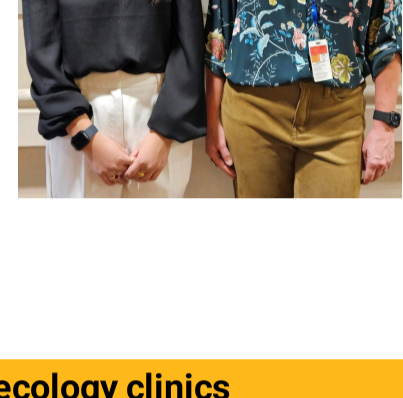
Nursing scholarship applications now open

Denver Health staff looking to advance their nursing career can apply for a scholarship to support ongoing education. The Denver Health Sabin and John Mortensen Burman Nursing Scholarship application is open for submissions through April 1. The application is accessible via the Department of Nursing and Education [SharePoint site](#). This scholarship program aims to provide financial assistance to Denver Health employees who are studying nursing and need help with their school expenses.



MC2 student bakes for a cause, shares sweet success with Denver Health NICU

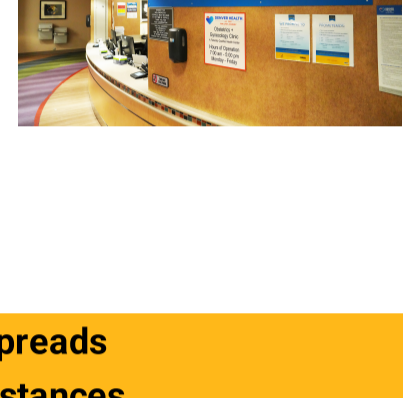
In a heartwarming display of community spirit, Kim-Ngan (Kimmy), a senior from Green Mountain High School and participant in Denver Health's Medical Career Collaborative (MC2) program, recently undertook a remarkable project. For her school's senior capstone, Kimmy decided to blend her love for baking with a heartfelt mission: to support Denver Health's and Children's Hospital Colorado's Neonatal Intensive Care Units (NICU). What started as a simple idea evolved into a labor of love, as Kimmy dedicated a remarkable 60 hours, creating 400 delectable cake pops that she sold within her school and community.



[Read more](#)

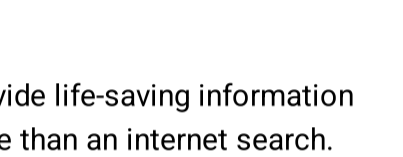
New signage added for Obstetrics and Gynecology clinics

Denver Health has started installing new signs to reflect the updated names of the **Obstetrics and Gynecology Clinic in Pavilion C** and the **Gynecology Clinic and Gynecology Specialty Clinic in Pavilion B**. Additional signage will be added to these clinics in the coming weeks, as well as at clinics at the **Sam Sandos Westside Family Health Center** and the **Bernard F. Gipson Eastside Family Health Center**. Formerly referred to as Women's Care Clinics, the updated names better describe the department's services and offerings.



National Poison Prevention Week spreads awareness on risks of poisonous substances

National Poison Prevention Week (NPPW) is **March 17-23!** NPPW is dedicated to raising awareness about poison control centers and the Poison Control hotline, 800-222-1222.



Whether it's a question or an emergency, Poison Control can provide life-saving information when people need it most, and calling is faster and more accurate than an internet search. More than 70% of people who call the hotline get the help they need right away, saving the cost of a trip to a doctor or hospital.

NPPW brings together the nation's 55 poison centers, community organizations and government agencies to raise awareness of the risks posed by poisonous substances, precautions people can take to keep their families safe, and using the Poison Control hotline and website, [poisonhelp.org](#), when responding to an emergency.

Thank you to our amazing team at Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Safety!

Public Service Loan Forgiveness through Tuition.io

Take advantage of Public Service Loan Forgiveness online tools and student loan coaches through our partnership with [Tuition.io](#).

The consolidation deadline to take advantage of one-time account adjustments on student loans has been extended to **April 30, 2024**. Ensure you have everything you need to receive the student loan forgiveness that you've earned!

For benefit eligible staff, [Tuition.io](#) offers online resources and student loan coaches to help understand the best way to manage your student loans. Paying off student loans can be difficult, but the [Tuition.io](#) wellness resources can help you avoid costly mistakes.

The online tool can be accessed via single sign-on when on the Denver Health network for eligible staff:

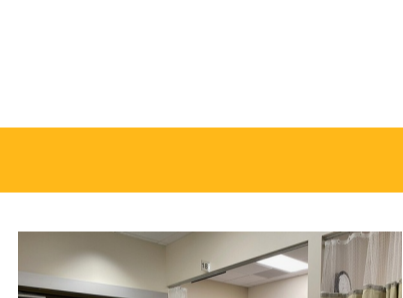
To reach a student loan coach, contact [support@tuition.io](#) or 855-353-9395.

For additional resources, including a recorded webinar, visit the [Public Service Loan Forgiveness](#) page on the Pulse.

RECOGNIZING YOU

Congratulations to our CISO

Please join us in congratulating **Randall "Fritz" Frieztzsche, Denver Health's chief information security officer**, on receiving the Colorado Technology Association's (CTA) CISO of the Year APEX Award. Frieztzsche received the award during the CTA's Colorado Tech Summit on **March 8**.



"The most rewarding part of my job is taking care of our patients – making sure that they're safe and we protect their information," Frieztzsche said during an interview with CTA. "Helping others is really, for me, the best part of my job."

The APEX Awards bring the community together to celebrate the exceptional people, companies and accomplishments of 2023. Recipients of the APEX Awards lead the way for Colorado tech, according to the award's website.

A day in the life of a CRNA

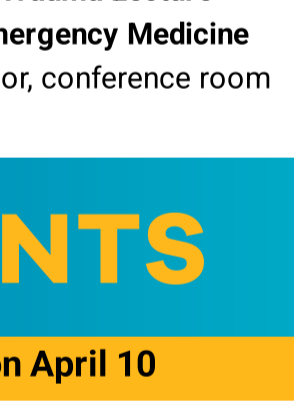
Ever wondered what a day in the life of a CRNA or SRNA at Denver Health looks like? The American Association of Nurse Anesthesiology chose the team at Denver Health to be the subjects for its latest stock photography campaign to help inspire future CRNAs. They snapped photos of the team speaking with, pre-oxygenating and putting monitors on patients – and they caught a few smiles, too! Thanks to the entire CRNA team for helping showcase what it's like to be a CRNA at Denver Health.



GET INVOLVED

Nursing Award nominations closing soon

Calling all nursing staff and nursing partners. There is still time to nominate one of your nursing peers! The [Nursing Award nominations survey](#) will close **March 22**. Nominate nurses in 16 categories and share a story about how an individual or team demonstrates professionalism, leadership and exemplary practice. Nominate a nurse or nursing team today!



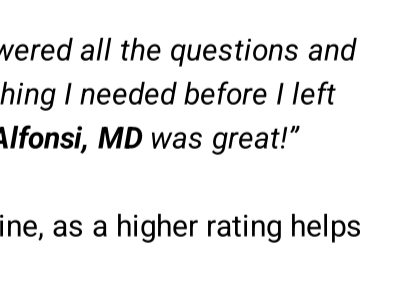
Join us for this month's Trauma Lecture Series

Please join us from **noon-1 p.m. Wednesday, March 20**, for this month's "Trauma Lecture Series: **Prehospital Trauma Priorities**" presented by **Shea Gilliam, MD, Emergency Medicine physician** at Denver Health. Join either in person in Pavilion D, second floor, conference room 222 or via Webex. For additional information and registration [click here](#).

PERKS & DISCOUNTS

Enter drawing to win free massage from RESTORE on April 10

The Denver Health RESTORE Support Center, on the **first floor of Pavilion B**, will offer Denver Health staff free 15-minute chair massages with a Zeel massage therapist from **11 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesday, April 10**. [Click here to enter a drawing](#) for your chance to win a massage. Winners will be contacted by email on **Monday, April 8**, and offered time slots. Names on the sign-up list and the winners will be kept confidential. Additionally, if you would like to receive our monthly newsletter and be kept in the know about Center programming, including chair massages, email [RESTOREcenter@dhha.org](#).



GRATITUDE

Primary Care Clinic praised for excellent care

It is rewarding to hear from patients who have received outstanding care at Denver Health. This week we would like to highlight a five-star online review of our incredible team at the Primary Care Clinic!

*"My provider was very helpful and attentive to my needs. She answered all the questions and concerns I had. She made sure I was taken care of and had everything I needed before I left her office. I'm grateful she got me in on such short notice. **Grace Alfonsi, MD** was great!"*

We encourage staff to ask patients to leave a positive review online, as a higher rating helps build trust in our community. Every star counts!

IN THE NEWS

The 411 highlights top stories of the week. Please visit [In the News on the Pulse](#) for a rundown of all recent stories featuring Denver Health.

Denver Health: How to avoid injuries during heavy snowstorm
March 13, *Fox31*

In light of the impending snow storm, Benjamin Li, MD, emergency medicine physician at Denver Health, joined Fox31 live-in-studio to talk about the most common weather-related visits to the Emergency Department and offered tips on how to avoid these common issues.

Tech industry leaders and companies honored at 2024 APEX Awards
March 9, *Denver Business Journal*

Colorado Technology Association (CTA) recognized individuals and companies that excel in the tech industry at its 2024 annual APEX Awards program. Randall Frieztzsche of Denver Health was named CISO of the Year.

Lawmakers approve \$5 million in extra funding for Denver Health
March 8, *9News*

Earlier this year, CEO Donna Lynne put pressure on state and federal leaders for more funding to pay for uncompensated care. "If you're a legislator in Weld County, you need to understand that some of our residents are coming here to Denver Health for care, and that there's a broader responsibility that elected officials, state, county and city have to help us deal with what I think is a near crisis regarding health," Lynne said at the time.


National awareness and recognitions

March is **Child Life Month**. March 15 is **World Sleep Day**, March 19 is **Certified Nurses Day**, March 20 is **National Native HIV/AIDS Awareness Day** and March 21 is **World Down Syndrome Day**. March 17-23 is **National Poison Prevention Week** and March 18-24 is **National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week**. Is there a department that you'd like us to recognize during a special week or month? Let us know in a [Marketing request form](#) and we'll spotlight them in the 411.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March | April

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| March 11-15: See a registered dietician | March 25: Colorectal cancer awareness table at OMC |
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| March 14: Fidelity: Retirement Basics | March 25-29: Eat with the environment in mind |
| March 18-22: Eat a variety of food from all food groups | March 26: Colorectal cancer awareness table at OMC |
| March 20: Trauma Lecture Series: Prehospital Trauma Priorities | March 26: WorkLife tax preparation webinar |
| March 20: Restore Group Support: Migrant Humanitarian Crisis | March 29: Creative Arts Sessions: Diversity bracelets for community are project |
| March 20: PNC 1:1 financial coaching | April 1: Sabin and John Mortensen Burman Nursing Scholarship application deadline |
| March 21: Trauma-responsive care workshop | April 2: RESTORE group support: Grief & Loss |
| March 22: Nurses Week Award nominations close | April 9: Office of Research: Research Workshop Series: "Disseminate Your Work to New Audiences" |
| March 22: Colorectal cancer awareness table at Pavilion B gift shop | April 10: RESTORE free massage |

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