



DENVER HEALTH'S WEEKLY 411

The week's most critical information delivered to your inbox.

Thursday, October 27, 2022

RISE program is now Denver Health RESTORE

RESTORE, or Resilience & Equity Through Support & Training for Organizational Renewal, is an expansion of Denver Health's previous peer support employee well-being program, RISE. Learn more about **RESTORE at Friday's Fall Festival**, where we will provide education on our expanded offerings and swag. If you can't make it to Fall Festival, you can learn more by emailing RESTORE@dhha.org or, starting next week, stopping by our center on the first floor of Pavilion B adjacent to the Workforce Development Center.



[Read more](#)

Denver Health ranks high in quality and accountability

The recently released 2022 **Vizient Quality and Accountability scorecards** showed Denver Health ranked in the **top 10%** in medication communication and responsiveness of staff; **top 20%** for doctor communication; **top 30%** for nurse communication, cleanliness and quietness, and discharge information; and top **40%** for overall hospital rating.

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Denver Health sees decline in Target Zero adverse events

In another positive sign about our efforts to improve quality and safety, Denver Health has experienced an encouraging decline in Target Zero adverse events in 2022 compared with the two prior years, almost reaching pre-pandemic levels. Much of the recent success can be attributed to reductions in hospital-acquired infections and surgical site infections. To read more and see a detailed graphic, [click here](#).

Breast cancer team offers top-notch, tailored care to patients



It's the last week of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, and we would like to highlight the excellent care that a patient diagnosed with breast cancer would receive at Denver Health. The multidisciplinary **breast cancer team** consists of specialists in medical oncology, breast surgery, pathology, radiology and radiation oncology. This team meets weekly at the Denver Health breast cancer tumor board to review every case and come up with the best treatment plan.

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Also as part of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Denver Health CEO Donna Lynne took part in the 2022 Komen Colorado More Than Pink Walk on Sunday at Civic Center Park. The walk raised more than \$650,000 for [Susan G. Komen](#).



STAY INFORMED

CEO makes deliveries to family health centers ahead of Fall Festival



Denver Health CEO Donna Lynne was part of a group that made special deliveries and met with staff Wednesday at the Lowry and Eastside family health centers ahead of the Employee Fall Festival on **Friday, Oct 28**. Stop by the Fall Festival between **2 to 4 p.m.** (for day-shift employees) or **6 to 9 p.m.** (for night-shift employees) for music, goodies, coffee and cider, and a swag giveaway contest outside of Pavilion D on the main campus. Denver Health employees are allowed to dress up for the Fall Festival on Friday through Halloween on Monday, Oct. 31. Costumes must be respectful and must follow the dress code, which can be [accessed here](#). Staff whose roles require scrubs must adhere to those requirements.

Don't delay; get your flu shot today!

All Denver Health employees, contractors, licensed independent practitioners, vendors, temporary workers, volunteers, researchers, residents and students (including those who work from home) are required to receive a flu vaccination by **Nov. 1**. There are still more than 1,000 individuals who have not yet submitted proof of their influenza vaccination or been granted a religious or medical exemption to the vaccine mandate. Employees may receive their flu vaccination at the Center for Occupational Safety and Health (COSH) clinic on the seventh floor of the OMC in Pavilion L from **7 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Mondays–Fridays (no appointment required)**.

Documentation of offsite flu vaccinations (including those received at other Denver Health clinics outside of COSH or employee vaccination events) must be sent to Fluinfo@dhha.org. Employees who have not received their flu vaccine or approved exemption by Nov. 1 will be removed from their work schedule for non-compliance and termination will be initiated.

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RECOGNIZING YOU

Denver Health staff honored at annual awards dinner

Last month, the medical staff hosted its annual awards dinner to celebrate our outstanding advanced practice provider and physician colleagues. Please congratulate your colleagues on their awards!

Outstanding Clinician: **Megan Greising, PA; Liz Lowdermilk, MD; Whitney Miller, NP**

Outstanding Teacher: **Jill Chisholm, NP; Vishnu Kulasekaran, MD; Anna Neumeier, MD**

Outstanding Community Service: **Kristine Rodrigues, MD**

Outstanding Career Service: **Vince Eusterman, MD; Tom MacKenzie, MD**

GET INVOLVED

Volunteers sought for annual Veterans Day breakfast

The Food and Nutrition and Patient Experience departments are looking for volunteers for Denver Health's annual Veterans Day breakfast from **6:30-9:30 a.m. Friday, Nov. 11**, in the Good Day Café in the basement of Pavilion A. Volunteers can [sign up here](#) for 30-minute shifts. Please help us in celebrating and thanking our amazing veteran employees.

Colorado Village Collaborative seeks help building Safe Outdoor Space

The Colorado Village Collaborative (CVC) is looking for volunteers to help next month with their new site build to replace the Native-inclusive site that was formerly on a Denver Health property. The new site will be near the Denver Health [Montbello Family Health Center](#). If you are interested in helping to build the new Safe Outdoor Space (SOS), [sign up here](#).

IN THE COMMUNITY

National awareness and recognitions

Denver Health's LGBTQ+ Employee Resource Group, PRISM, has partnered with the [History Colorado Center](#) to offer a guided tour of the [Rainbows and Revolution exhibit](#) for Denver Health Employees and their families at no cost to you. We have limited space, please [register here](#) to secure your spot. Join us at **noon on Saturday, Oct. 29** at History Colorado's main entrance, 1200 N. Broadway. *(Please note, the date is corrected from a prior 411)*

Saturday, **Oct. 29**, is [National Prescription Drug Take Back Day](#) and [World Psoriasis Day](#).

Dia de los Muertos is Tuesday and Wednesday, **Nov. 1-2**.

November is also when we celebrate Native American Heritage Month, American Diabetes Month, Bladder Health Month, COPD Awareness Month, Diabetic Eye Disease Awareness Month, Lung Cancer Awareness Month, National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month, National Epilepsy Awareness Month, National Family Caregivers Month, National Healthy Skin Month, National Hospice and Palliative Care Month, Stomach Cancer Awareness Month, Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month and Prematurity Awareness Month. Please give kudos and thanks to all colleagues and departments that we celebrate this month.

Is there a department that you'd like us to recognize during a special week or month? Let us know in an [Employee Outreach Request form](#) and we'll spotlight them in the 411.

Health care in the news: What's trending around the state and nation

- CEO News: Denver Health has a new CEO. [Here's what she says](#) will be her biggest challenge.
- Care News: Colorado a leader in access to [gender-affirming health care](#).
- National News: Hospitals on track for [worst financial year](#) in decades.

Want to share health care and health policy news? Email us stories from around Colorado and the nation at public_relations@dhha.org.

October | November

Oct. 28: Employee Fall Festival
Oct. 31: Halloween

Nov. 1: Deadline for flu shots

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SUBMIT A REQUEST TO THE **WEEKLY 411**

Submit content for consideration in the Weekly 411 through the employee outreach request form [here](#). Accuracy and quality matter, so please *provide all material as early as possible*. Your submission should detail who, what, when, where, why and how, with correct spelling and explanation of acronyms. We encourage you to include photos and any links or attachments that may help to communicate your message. Content received after noon on Tuesday will be considered for the following week's edition.

