



THE PROGRESS REPORT

The Colorado Health Foundation's newsletter provides updates highlighting programs, policy issues and events related to our mission to improve the health of Coloradans.

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Proposed Contraceptive Coverage Regulations Threaten Women's Health



Earlier this month, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Justice Department [proposed a change in federal regulations](#) that, if adopted, would allow more employers to deny insurance coverage for family planning services - a move that would undoubtedly put health further out of reach for many Colorado women, their children and families.

At the Colorado Health Foundation, we work to bring health in reach to all Coloradans. We believe that health is a basic human right. And, we fear this proposed rule could jeopardize too many lives and bright futures to not have a voice in the matter. We have seen the benefits of bringing affordable contraception and family planning services in reach to more women in Colorado. These benefits include:

- Supporting healthy starts for babies;
- Strengthening women's overall health; and
- Bolstering both educational and economic opportunities for Colorado families.

Read our [latest blog post](#) that calls on you to join this important conversation on the benefits of contraception and family planning services.



In Good Health Blog

Read our blog designed to share what we're learning to ensure that, across Colorado, each of us can say: "We have all we need to live healthy lives."

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Lead with Learning

Our Senior Director of Learning and Evaluation Kelci Price shares ideas on evaluation practice in the workplace in this blog post, Lead with Learning.

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ComNet Denver Event

Hear from Lynn Schofield Clark, University of Denver professor, for a discussion based on her new book, Young People and the Future of News.

[Register...](#)

Join Our Next Advocating for Impact Workshop on Nov. 8



This fall, the Foundation has been offering a [series of workshops](#) designed to help nonprofit organizations understand their opportunities to engage in various types of advocacy efforts and provide the tools to do so effectively.

Our next workshop, Nonprofit Organizations and Lobbying, is on Wednesday, Nov. 8. This workshop will help you better understand how lobbying and influencing legislation can be an effective tool in advancing your organization's mission. Attendees will learn about how nonprofit organizations can achieve their policy goals and maintain compliance with legal parameters related to

lobbying and advocacy activities. [Register now](#) .

If you have missed any of the previous workshops, you can view presentations and resources on [our website](#). The last in this year's workshop series, Legal Advocacy and Strategic Litigation, is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 6.

Apply Now for Our Visitor Coordinator and Reception Specialist Position



Are you people-oriented and have a talent for providing superior customer service? Do you like and understand technology, and regularly seek ways to continue learning? Are you inquisitive and a hard worker? If you or someone you know can identify with any of the above, you should consider applying to join our team. We are looking for a Visitor Coordinator and Reception Specialist to join our Technology and Facilities Services Department.

This position is the friendly, public face of the organization and is responsible for greeting our guests and partners, managing calls and inquiries, following security practices and more. They will assist with managing the IT and Facilities web portal, service desk support and maintenance and reporting of our building management systems. In addition, they will work with Finance on compliance control by receiving, processing and logging checks.

A successful candidate will have three years of experience providing administrative support and advanced proficiency in Microsoft Office. Experience working in a nonprofit sector or supporting a facility management function is a plus. If you are an experienced administrative or facilities professional looking for a unique opportunity to provide operational support in helping to fulfill the mission of the Foundation, [visit our website to apply](#). This position closes on Monday, Nov. 6.

Prime Health Challenge Awards \$150,000 to Test New Health Innovations



The fourth annual [Prime Health Challenge](#), held Oct. 19 in Denver, offered digital health startup companies the opportunity to compete to win a portion of \$150,000 and to partner with a host institution that would pilot their product. For the event, [Prime Health](#) convened a group of [16 host institutions](#) including hospitals, health care systems and safety net organizations to hear proposals for new health technologies and bid to pilot test the innovations.

A panel of health care experts then evaluated the competing digital startup companies and selected the top four to receive cash prizes, including one to receive

\$45,000 in safety net award funding:

- First Place at \$45,000: [Nymb Science](#)
Nymb has developed a comprehensive system for measuring, tracking and improving the

balance of seniors. The company offers a range of balance tools and training interventions that can be used in a clinical setting or at home.

- Safety Net Award at \$45,000: [AI Health](#)
AI Health has created GettingHome, a platform that offers the logistics support needed to manage patients between hospitals and post-acute care settings, in order to reduce inefficiencies in the continuum of care. This award was specifically designated for a startup that addressed pain points for underserved populations.
- Second Place at \$35,000: [Redox](#)
Redox provides health systems with a platform that acts as a single access point for all cloud-based application, providing access controls and monitoring while eliminating integrations.
- Third Place at \$25,000: [Listen.MD](#)
Listen.MD is focused on relieving providers of the burdensome data entry-related tasks and has created the first artificial intelligence-based Digital Scribe that allows providers to focus on personal interactions with their patients.

All of the startup companies focused on cutting health care costs and improving the care experiences of patients. The Foundation funded the 2017 Prime Health Challenge for a fourth year as part of our efforts to invest in resources and create partnerships that will increase opportunities to bring health in reach for all Coloradans. Follow the conversation at [#PrimeHealth2017](#).

Mark Your Calendar

[Advocacy Workshop: Nonprofit Organizations and Lobbying](#)

Nov. 8

[2017 Collective Impact Summit](#)

Nov. 29-30
