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eScripts is a monthly newsletter highlighting faculty, staff, students and alumni of the University of Colorado Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences.



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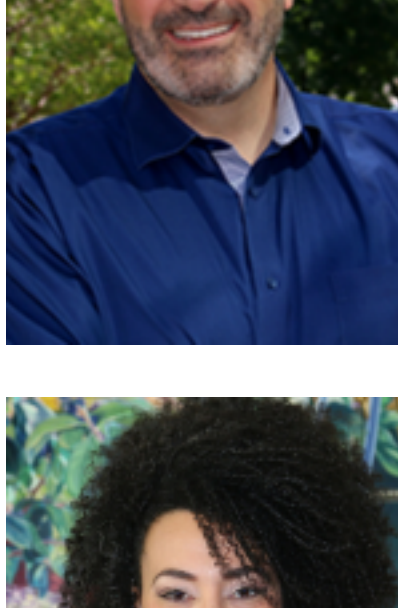


Patel Awarded AB Nexus Grant
Manisha Patel, PhD, received one of the recently-distributed AB Nexus grants. AB Nexus is a unique program that fosters interdisciplinary research collaborations between CU Anschutz and CU Boulder. Dr. Patel will lead the project titled "Multi-generation Impact of Developmental Nicotine Exposure on Mitochondrial Function" in collaboration with Jerry Stitzel, professor of integrative physiology at CU Boulder.

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Valdez Awarded Bowl of Hygeia Community Service Award
Connie Valdez, PharmD, was awarded the Bowl of Hygeia Community Service Award from the Colorado Pharmacists Society. This award is given in recognition of an individual association member who has made considerable contributions in terms of community service which may include involvement in governmental activities separate from, or in addition to, his or her job.



Saseen Named Master of NLA
Joe Saseen, PharmD, received the Master of the NLA (MNL) Award from the National Lipid Association. The MNL designation recognizes recipients for having the highest ethical standards and distinguishing themselves through research, education, health care initiatives, volunteerism, patient care, and service to the community at a regional, national, and international level in the field of Clinical Lipidology.



Freitas Builds Paths Towards Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion
Erika Freitas, PhD, inaugural Assistant Dean for Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, wants to level set on her position title. "To me, the order matters and it should be equity first," she says, "because that's where we have the potential to make more immediate impact. And without equity, diversity and inclusion will never achieve the needed depth for true transformation."

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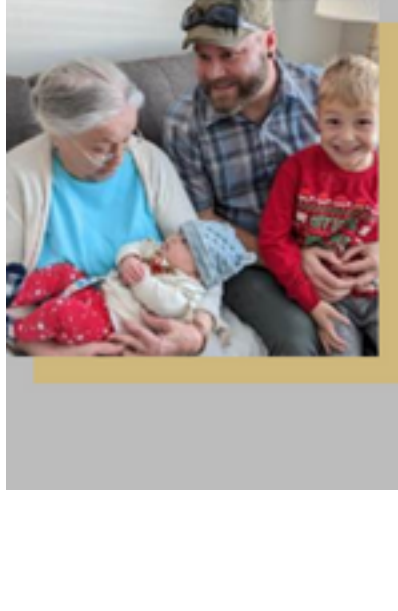


Student Team Wins 4th Place
The CU Pharmacy student team placed fourth at the American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP) Clinical Research Challenge. The team, comprised of (top to bottom) Annagabriela Figueroa, Kyla Jantz, and Pia Moreno, competed against 87 teams across the nation. The title of their research proposal was "The Impact of Pharmacist-Led Evaluation of Patient Reported Quality of Life and Clinical Outcomes of the Ketogenic Diet as Adjunctive Therapy in Metastatic Breast Cancer." Toby Trujillo, PharmD, serves as their advisor.

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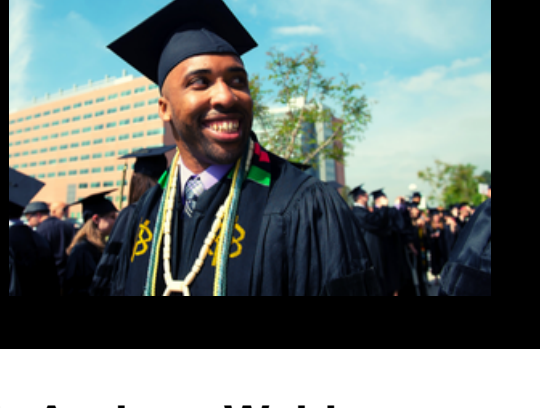
Students Distribute Narcan at Red Rocks
PharmD students volunteered to help educate concert goers and distribute Narcan at three sold-out King Gizzard & the Lizard Wizard concerts at Red Rocks. The event was coordinated by the [Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention](#) in collaboration with the Denver Department of Public Health and is one of many event-based outreach efforts as part of the Consortium's [Keep the Party Safe](#) public awareness campaign.



Student Turns Assignment into a Relationship
PharmD student, Michael Brace, was originally paired with Miss Perla (pictured) through the COAST-IT program in 2020 as part of his co-curricular pharmacy education. COAST-IT stands for Connecting Older Adults Through Interprofessional Telecare and is facilitated through the CU Multidisciplinary Center on Aging. Brace enjoyed the experience so much, that two years later he continues to communicate and visit regularly with her. He recently spent an afternoon introducing Miss Perla to his newborn and growing family.

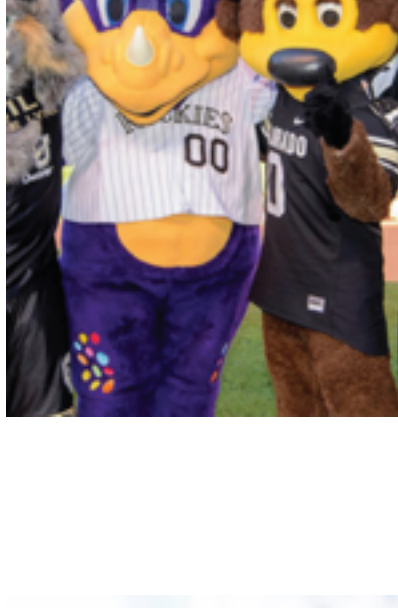
Alumni Magazine

Look here for the monthly alumni spotlights, upcoming events, and opportunities to get involved!



Alumni Spotlight: Andrew Webb
Andrew Webb, PharmD, a 2013 alumnus of the University of Colorado Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, is an example of excellence and innovation in the field of pharmacy. Since graduating, Dr. Webb has embarked on a remarkable journey marked by his unwavering commitment to patient care and health informatics.

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CU-Rockies Game Time!
Join fellow CU fans, staff, students, and alumni to cheer on the Colorado Rockies as they go against the Chicago White Sox on **Friday, Aug. 18** at Coors Field, 2001 Blake St., Denver! Before the first pitch at 6:40 p.m., come to Jackson's LODO to re-connect with fellow CU alumni, enjoy giveaways, photo opportunities with the CU mascots, and more. Tickets starting at \$30. With the purchase of this special ticket package, you'll also receive a limited edition CU-themed Rockies hat.

[Get game tickets](#) and don't forget to also [register for the pre-game reception](#).



Preceptors Needed for P1 Immunization Training
Alumni are needed to help with certifying the first year pharmacy students in providing immunizations. Preceptors who are certified in administering the APhA immunization technique are invited to participate in the clinical training session to be held **Thursday, Sept. 14** from 3-5 p.m. (MDT) on the Anschutz Medical Campus. If interested, please contact Kayla Bethea.

[Email Kayla](#)



Alumni Referral Program
Recommend a future pharmacy student! Know someone who would make a great pharmacist? Refer them to CU Pharmacy. As alumni, faculty, preceptors, students, staff, and friends of the School, you know what it takes to excel in the program.

[Refer a Student](#)



Become an Alumni Ambassador
The CU Pharmacy Alumni Association is looking for alumni to join its Alumni Ambassador program. Sign up to be an ambassador today and receive communications on volunteer opportunities in your interest areas at the school and around the community. Alumni Ambassadors help shape the future of pharmacy and share their pride of CU Pharmacy. Join today.

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Career Services

Check here for featured job postings. We're proud to be one of the few schools of pharmacy with a Career Services Office devoted to helping students and alumni obtain employment.



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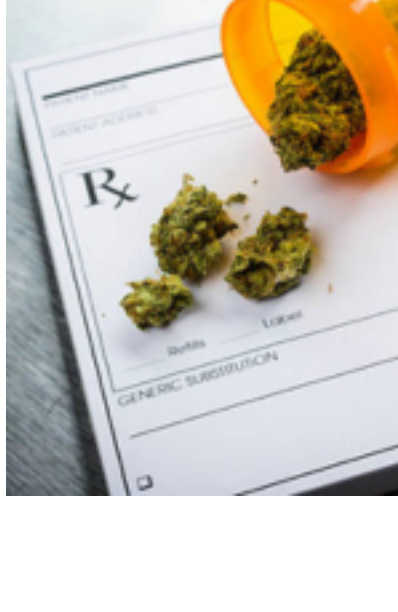


Openings at Procter and Gamble (P&G)
Procter and Gamble (P&G) is searching for a Global Safety Surveillance and Analysis Product Vigilance Manager - PhD / PharmD, within its Global Safety Surveillance & Analysis organization based at its Mason Business Center, north of Cincinnati, Ohio.

- [Global Safety Surveillance and Analysis Product Vigilance Manager - PhD / PharmD](#)

Continuing Education

Live and online ACPE-accredited programs for life-long learning.



Register for the Medical Cannabis Certificate Program for Health Care Providers
August 30 - October 25, 2023

Patients are frequently asking their providers questions about the use of medical cannabis for different health conditions and many health care providers are unable to adequately address their questions and concerns. A holistic perspective of medical cannabis can help providers participate in decision making with patients considering cannabis.

In this program, providers will gain an evidence-based approach to discern "fact from fiction" and be able to describe the potential benefits and risks of cannabis use for their patients.

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Thought Leaders

Monthly overview of faculty in the news and their published research.



In The News

- **HealthCentral. Can You Drink Pineapple Juice While on Satins?**, feat. Joe Saseen, PharmD
- **IDSE. Making the Case for Moving from IV to Oral Antibiotics**, feat. Megan Jeffres, PharmD
- **NBC News. Experimental Drug for Marijuana Addiction Shows Promise, Small Study Finds**, feat. David Kroll, PhD

Research Roundup

For more publications, [check out the new research feed on our website](#).

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