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*eScripts is a monthly newsletter highlighting faculty, staff, students and alumni of the CU Skaggs School of Pharmacy.*

## **Recognizing our dedicated preceptors**



Inspiring. Brilliant. A credit to the pharmacy profession. Those are just some of the words the University of Colorado Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences Office of Experiential Programs uses to describe recipients of the school's 2020 Preceptor Awards.

The school honored four pharmacists and a University of Colorado Hospital team for their commitment to guiding students through one of the most crucial parts of their pharmacy education.

**Meet the award winners**

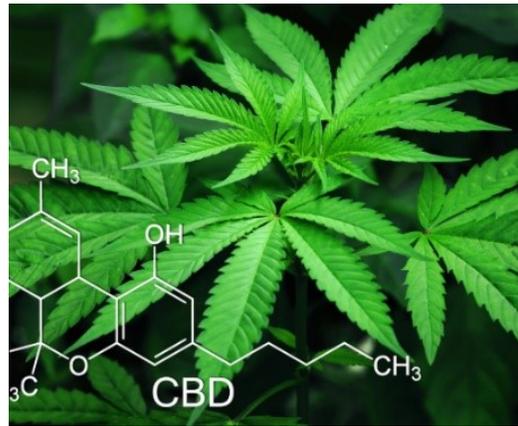
## **CU Pharmacy becomes first in state to offer graduate-level cannabis education**

CU Pharmacy has **expanded its educational offerings to include advanced academic degrees in the field of Cannabis Science and Medicine**

(CSM). This move makes the School of Pharmacy the **first in the state of Colorado**, and one of only a handful nationwide, to offer graduate studies in medical cannabis.

The new programs include:

- **Graduate Certificate** in Cannabis Science and Medicine
- **Master's Degree** in Pharmaceutical Sciences: Cannabis Science and Medicine Specialty Track
- **Continuing Education Certificate** in Medical Cannabis Education for Health Care Providers



*The school has expanded its offerings to include graduate education in cannabis.*

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announcement**

## Anderson receives Shell Prize

**Professor Peter Anderson, PharmD**, was selected for the John and Barbara Shell Prize in Research and Graduate Education.

The award is presented every two years for outstanding achievement in research and graduate education. A committee of past recipients selects the recipient from among tenured professors in the Skaggs School of Pharmacy. Past recipients include **Vasilis Vasiliou, PhD**, and **Manisha Patel, PhD**.

Stay tuned for more coverage of this achievement.



## Ndikum receives Educator of the Year Award

Senior Instructor **Hilda Bi Ndikum, PharmD**, was recently recognized as the Distance Degrees and Programs' Educator of the Year.

This award is based on outstanding performance in educating pharmacy students in the International-Trained PharmD Program based on student feedback and

nominations.

Sample student comments include: "Dr. Bi is approachable and ready to assist students to solve any problems they encounter." "Dr. Bi is one of a kind!"



### Lampe honored by alma mater

**Assistant Professor Jed Lampe, PhD**, was honored by his PhD alma mater, the University of Washington School of Pharmacy, as one of 125 "Alumni Legends."

The award is part of the school's way of recognizing its 125-year history by highlighting 125 graduates who have made significant contributions to science, research and patient care, often pioneering new roles for pharmacists in an evolving healthcare system.

### Mueller receives critical care teaching award

**Associate Professor Scott Mueller, PharmD**, was awarded the Anesthesiology Critical Care Medicine Fellowship Teaching Award.

The award highlights Mueller's dedication to educating CU critical care fellows.



*Gina Moore, PharmD, Peter Anderson, PharmD, and Emily Zadvorny, PharmD. The bill could curb infection for some of the state's most at-risk citizens.*

### CU Pharmacy-Backed Bill Aimed at Curbing HIV Infection

A bill approved this month and backed by the Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences pushes open the door to highly effective HIV-prevention drugs, potentially curbing infection for the state's most at-risk citizens.

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## Linnebur named to geriatric medicine specialty board

**Professor Sunny Linnebur, PharmD**, was appointed to the American Board of Internal Medicine Geriatric Medicine Specialty Board. The ABIM is one of the organizations that certifies internal medicine physicians and those in subspecialties.

The boards are typically comprised of physicians, making her appointment an interprofessional achievement.

[Read the announcement](#)



## UCH again named No. 1 hospital in the state

For the ninth year in a row, U.S. News and World Report ranks UCHealth University of Colorado Hospital (UCH), located on the Anschutz Medical Campus, No. 1 on its list of the state's best hospitals.

UCH is also ranked among the nation's best in nine specialties including No. 2 in pulmonology & lung surgery.



*UCHealth again ranks as No. 1.*

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### Pearson featured on Podcast

**Assistant Professor Scott Pearson, PharmD**, was recently interviewed on the Pharmacy Podcast Network about his research publication, "Pharmacist-Led Transition of Care Pilot Targeting Older People After Emergency Department Discharge."

Other faculty who were also a part of the publication include **Sarah Billups**, **Danielle Fixen** and **Sunny Linnebur**,

along with recent grad **Anushka Tandon**.

**Listen to the Podcast**

**Read the publication**



## Photos of the month



The **Office of Experiential Programs** recently went the extra mile to make sure our students have everything they need when they “return to campus.” Pictured here are **Jay Bolan** and **Cindy Subia** putting together packets of PPE for our P2 class’ Immunization Training day which will be happening on Sept. 15. Jay says, “We’ve been crossing every “T” and dotting every “I” to ensure that this training can happen in a way that is safe for students and trainers and meets all regulations. While immunization certification is already part of the curriculum, our office was of the opinion that a future (fingers crossed) COVID immunization on the horizon was yet another reason we need to have all of our students certified as immunizers now instead of delaying it further. (The course was originally scheduled for the end of the spring semester.)”

## CU Pharmacy Thought Leaders

From launching new cannabis education programs to sharing insight about genetic testing, our CU Pharmacy professionals are in the news:

- **High Times: Colorado Pharmacy School Offering Grad School Education in Cannabis**, feat. Associate Dean for Administration and Operations Laura Borgelt, PharmD, and Professor David Kroll, PhD
- **Yahoo Finance: National Lipid Association Releases Official Scientific Statement on Genetic Testing in Dyslipidemia**, feat. Professor Joseph Saseen, PharmD
- **MDPI: Substandard Quality of the Antimicrobials Sold in the Street Markets in Haiti**, feat. Professor John Carpenter, PhD
- **Pharmacy Practice News: Tracking CINV Via Texts Cuts Admissions, Urgent Care**, feat. Professor Cindy O'Bryant, PharmD

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