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

CU Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences Celebrates Black History Month

During the month of February we highlighted just a few of our outstanding Black alumni, faculty and students as part of our celebration of Black History Month. From a nuclear pharmacist/professional DJ in New York City, to a hospital pharmacist in Los Angeles, we covered some fascinating professionals who are making a major impact in the field of pharmacy and beyond. Check out some of the featured stories on our Alumni website page.

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Team Publishes Study on Digital Health in Pharmacy Curricula

Drs. Katy Trinkley, PharmD, Heather Anderson, PhD, and Whitley Yi, PharmD alumna, recently developed the case study on CU Pharmacy's informatics coursework, which was published in the International Pharmaceutical Federation Digital Health in Pharmacy Education Report. The new report is the most comprehensive study on the state of digital health in pharmacy curricula worldwide and illustrates the need for
such education in pharmacy curricula.

Ndikum, Onyia Serve on Panel for Vaccine Equity

Senior Instructor Hilda Ndikum, PharmD, and Chidinma Onyia, third-year PharmD student, served as panelists on February’s webinar “COVID-19 Vaccine Equity and the African Diaspora.”

The panel discussion focused on Covid-19 vaccines, distribution phases, and community concerns and fears.

Students Step Up to Stamp Out Covid

All semester long, pharmacy students are competing to see who can give the most COVID-19 vaccinations. Some students are P4s on hospital rotations, some students are P1s vaccinating for the first time, but all are future pharmacists who understand the critical role that they are playing to eradicate the COVID-19 virus. Totals will be updated every Friday, so check back often to see who is in the lead.

Alumni Zone

Meet the Fresh Pharmacist: James Delk takes his
Pharmacists are known for being medication experts who take their role of patient education seriously. 2012 PharmD alum James Delk has created a way to make that serious message, well, fresh.

During his “day job,” Dr. Delk serves as a Kaiser Permanente outpatient pharmacist, generally dealing with emergency discharges, oncology, and general pharmacuetic medication. When he’s not at work, however, he transforms into “The Fresh Pharmacist” and takes his healthcare knowledge to the masses via flashy YouTube videos and multiple social media channels.

Happy & Healthy Hour is scheduled for Wednesday, March 10, 2021 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. MST.

The topic will be "Balancing your Mental Health in a Pandemic: Mitigating Health Professional Burnout as a Stress Injury," presented by Amanda Doria, MS, LPC, NCC, RYT-200.
vaccinations and provided tips for developing the mind, body and spirit during the pandemic, along with remarks offered by Dr. Andrew Maurer, CU Pharmacy Class of 2010 alumnus and current member of the Alumni Association Board.

Watch their presentation

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Save the Date: April Alumni Forum

One of the CU Pharmacy Alumni Association’s newest featured offerings is the Alumni Forum, which highlights innovations and new trends in the field of pharmacy. Our special guest presenter for this round will be faculty member, Dr. Katy Trinkley, presenting on “Innovations in Technology and the Changing Practice of Pharmacy”.

**Date:** Tuesday, April 6  
**Time:** 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
**Venue:** Zoom (look for registration link soon!)

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Lifelong Learning from CE@CU

The annual Advances in Pharmacotherapy: Updates in Best Practice conference is an interprofessional continuing education symposium for pharmacists, advanced practice nurses, physicians, and physician assistants.

Advances in
Pharmacotherapeutics Certificate Training
Virtual Training Date: Saturday, March 6, 7:00AM-5:30PM (MT)

Register here.

Need to get certified to administer the COVID-19 vaccines? The CU Pharmacy Office of Continuing Education is planning its second APhA immunization training session.

APhA Pharmacy-Based Immunization Delivery Certificate Training video conference Saturday, March 13, 8:00AM-5:00PM (MT)

Register here.

In addition to the live programs listed above, CE Home Study Modules allow you to pick the topics that cater to your specific healthcare professional needs and complete them on your own schedule. Check out the entire list of Home Study Modules here.

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**Alumni Volunteer Opportunity with CO Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response**

When vaccines start arriving more quickly in Colorado, the need for more vaccinators is going to increase as well. If you are interested in helping get your family, friends and neighbors vaccinated please volunteer the Colorado Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response. Visit
Colorado Volunteer Mobilizer to complete the online application and get started. Questions? Contact Koral O'Brien, Volunteer Coordinator, at koral.obrien@state.co.us

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Becky Brunson Diversity Scholarship

The Beverly Brunson Diversity Scholarship fundraising is launching this month! Look for more information soon on how you can honor Beverly and her dedication to CU Pharmacy, diversity, and education. You can also check out the scholarship giving page here.

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CU Pharmacy Thought Leaders
KOAA New 5: Opioid legal settlement brings millions of dollars to Colorado to battle crisis, feat. Judy Solano from the SSPPS Center for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention/Colorado Consortium