

HEALTH PROVIDER NEWS - JUNE 7, 2019

NATIONAL

- They get around: How hospital leaders keep fingers on workplace pulse
- Hospital boards seeing low turnover rates, AHA finds
- New MGMA Research Finds Physician Compensation on the Rise
- Indiana EHR provider agrees to \$900K HIPAA violation settlement with 16 states
- HHS looking to add innovation accelerators to drive network
- Safety-net hospitals faced higher penalties, lower rewards under CJR model, study finds
- CVS announces further expansion into health care services
- In a blow to HHS, Supreme Court sides with hospitals in legal battle over DSH payments
- Most oncologists expect AI to improve patient outcomes in coming years, report finds
- Hospitals Accused Of Paying Doctors Large Kickbacks In Quest For Patients
- Where US physicians earned the most in 2018
- 3 ways blockchain smart contracts can be leveraged in healthcare
- How technology may affect physician visits by 2039
- Multi-State HIPAA Settlement Represents New Era For Patient Data Enforcement
- Supreme Court Nixes Medicare-Reimbursement Formula
- EDs Getting Ready To Step Into Value-based Payment Waters
- 88% of hospital execs feel threatened by Optum, CVS Health, Amazon
- House committee passes 6% increase in FDA funding

NORTHEAST

(Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont)

CONNECTICUT

- After 2 deaths and a series of medical errors, the for-profit owner of Waterbury and Manchester hospitals faces protests, major sanctions
- Connecticut Supreme Court Overturns \$4.5M Loss of Consortium Award Against Hospital
- For-profit hospital operator faces sanctions, protests after 2 patient deaths, safety lapses

MAINE

- Maine hospital outlines plan to correct spine, chest patient issues
- Maine hospital to boost parent services for at-risk mothers

- Mayo Regional Hospital merger bill advances to votes in House and Senate
- Why nurses and leaders of Calais' hospital are locked in a stalemate in contract negotiations
- Negotiations Stall Between Calais Hospital, Nurses Union
- California health care company embarks on hiring spree in Lewiston

MASSACHUSETTS

- Stephen Kerrigan named CEO of Kennedy health center
- Massachusetts hospitals stockpile \$1.6B in offshore accounts, nurses say
- Boston hospital installs MRI machine specifically for NICU babies
- Boston Medical Center Joins Medicaid Transformation Project with 27 Health Systems

NEW HAMPSHIRE

- York Hospital increases services for older adults
- New London Hospital CEO plans to retire
- N.H. Attorney General's office asks to intervene in dispute between North Country hospitals

NEW YORK

- Montefiore St. Luke's turns a profit again
- New York health board to approve 5 ASCs
- New York hospital opens multispecialty medical office building
- Sunset Park's NYU Langone Hospital-Brooklyn to receive program to reduce opioid deaths
- Telemedicine on the rise in Upstate New York
- NY hospital wants 'excessive' 30% rate hike, Empire BCBS says
- 48 NY hospitals had poor fed ratings, safety grades: What to know about different reviews
- NewYork-Presbyterian's net income climbs 364.5%
- 3 Central New York facilities on 'secret list' of troubled nursing homes
- Construction begins on new hospital site

RHODE ISLAND

- Partners exits talks over Rhode Island hospital system
- Partners HealthCare ends bid for Care New England health system

VERMONT

- Patients to start using expansion in Vermont hospital
- Springfield Hospital Plans To Declare Bankruptcy
- BCBS of Vermont finances weakened by state's tough rate review
- Philips and University of Vermont Health Network sign 10-year agreement to improve patient care

- National Report: Vermont Had Highest Rate Of Hospital CEO Turnover In 2018
- U of Vermont Health Network, Philips sign 10-year partnership

MID-ATLANTIC / EAST

(Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia)

DELAWARE

- Christiana Care's Project Engage earns national recognition
- Delaware ASC recognized for quality improvement, safety efforts

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

- MedStar Georgetown University Hospital's business case for proton beam
- D.C. data analytics firm wins CareFirst, LifeBridge innovation challenge
- Children's National, HSC Health Care System Combine Forces
- Bowser administration forms health care commission to address inequities

MARYLAND

- On scandal-plagued hospital board, members' term limits were often ignored
- University of Maryland Medical System board OKs new conflict-of-interest policy
- MedStar Georgetown University Hospital's business case for proton beam
- Md. and Va. nursing homes knocked for ongoing problems
- Maryland joins four states in suit against opioid makers
- Johns Hopkins Hospital Reaches Settlement With Registered Nurses Affirming Nurses' Guaranteed Right To Unionize
- Study suggests new computer analytics may solve the hospital readmission puzzle
- Germantown biopharma stock on the brink of delisting

NEW JERSEY

- New Jersey hospital opening ASC
- Maternity care: Why do NJ hospitals have so many C-sections?
- New Jersey health department turnovers delay surgery center approvals
- Capital Health to partner with Deborah Heart and Lung Center in Pemberton
- Legislation introduced to protect the Affordable Care Act in New Jersey
- Hackensack Meridian Health opens new center focused on research and innovation
- Altair Health opens New Jersey medical center
- How this nurse helped a New Jersey hospital save \$30K annually
- Hackensack Meridian Health to host 1st patient experience summit

- RWJBarnabas, Rutgers Cancer Institute plan \$750M pavilion

PENNSYLVANIA

- Two-Day Hearing to be Held in Highmark, UPMC Case
- Allegheny Health Network ramps up spending on new construction
- Deadline looming for UPMC-Highmark deal
- Highmark-UPMC case likely to go back to Pa. Supreme Court, judge says
- Deborah Heart & Lung Center finds new partner to operate its satellite ER
- Layoffs expected as Kindred Healthcare closes South Philadelphia hospital
- Wayne medical device developer and its spin-off reel in \$62 million
- Drexel University says it's working on a deal to save Hahnemann Hospital from financial ruin
- Pharma Company to Pay \$3.5M to Resolve Kickback Claims
- Akron Children's Hospital taps Philadelphia Children's exec as CFO
- Kindred to close Pennsylvania long-term care hospital
- UHS partners with Vera on primary care
- UPMC Children's Hospital names new president
- Philadelphia hospital at risk of financial ruin explores long-term options
- Ellwood City Medical Center Victim Of Cyber Attack, Not Sure If Patient Records Were Exposed
- 'Say No To UPMC South': Jefferson Hills Homeowners Hope To Block New Hospital

VIRGINIA

- Sentara CEO Howard P. Kern: 3 core strengths for success in 2019
- Md. and Va. nursing homes knocked for ongoing problems
- Bon Secours Richmond Health System president to depart in July
- Inova appoints new president to lead flagship Fairfax hospital

WEST VIRGINIA

- 25-bed Ohio hospital to join WVU Hospital's network
- Hospitals Accused Of Paying Doctors Large Kickbacks In Quest For Patients
- Wheeling Hospital Chief Executive Officer retires
- Mon Health Medical Center, Acuity Healthcare receive approval for long-term care hospital
- Charleston council passes ordinance following protests at health care facilities

CENTRAL

(Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota)

IOWA

- Crawford County Memorial Hospital CEO Bill Bruce to retire at year-end
- Health system in Midwest launches \$100 million venture fund
- Living like a leader: A day with UnityPoint Health President and CEO Kevin Vermeer
- Settlement reached in data breach involving Nebraska, Iowa, other states
- UnityPoint Health launches \$100M venture fund to invest in digital health

KANSAS

- Wichita cardiologist agrees to pay \$5.8 million for alleged false billings, unnecessary procedures
- Coffey Health System agrees to settle False Claims Act allegations
- Hospital to Pay \$250,000 After Alleged False HITECH Claims
- DOJ alleges Kansas hospital made false claims about EHR technology
- How this Kansas medical center is using telehealth to improve patient outcomes

MINNESOTA

- Nurses Work Under Expired Contracts As Negotiations Continue
- Minnesota part of \$900,000 settlement in health data breach
- Thanks to new law, Waconia hospital poised for expansion
- Unions push for better security after nurse attacked at Minnesota treatment center
- Jon Pryor to join Essentia Health's leadership team to oversee area facilities
- Minnesota's largest public health care firms see another record growth year
- Minnesota settles lawsuit with medical information company that exposed private data of 8,000 patients
- By the numbers: Mayo Clinic is Minnesota's top employer
- 5 things to know about Minnesota's medical provider tax
- Allina wins Supreme Court ruling on hospital payments from feds
- Allina Health tests waters for apps based on patient journeys
- Minnesota to license assisted-living homes, at long last for advocates

MISSOURI

- Boone Hospital audit shows revenue steady but declining
- Anatomy of a hospital billing scheme
- HCA subsidiary buys St. Louis health care group
- SSM Health launches virtual health care visits, convenient and affordable
- Physical therapy practice expands to St. Louis with acquisition

NEBRASKA

- [Settlement reached in data breach involving Nebraska, Iowa, other states](#)
- [New VA clinic under construction in Norfolk](#)
- [Park and artwork will provide welcoming entrance to UNMC campus, peaceful space for patients, others](#)
- [The Struggle To Hire And Keep Doctors In Rural Areas Means Patients Go Without Care](#)

NORTH DAKOTA

- [Four rural hospitals in North Dakota ranked highest in the nation](#)
- [North Dakota State Hospital trying to fix serious flaws after denial to renew accreditation](#)
- [McKenzie County CEO Dan Kelly talks about building out health care for a modern age, and amidst a boom](#)
- [North Dakota State Hospital now in full compliance with accreditation requirements, official says](#)

SOUTH DAKOTA

- [South Dakota nursing home closure renews Medicaid debate](#)
- [Sioux Falls nursing home to become seventh to close statewide in three years](#)
- [D. medical community battling dangerous antibiotic-resistant illnesses](#)

MIDWEST

(Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin)

ILLINOIS

- [Company that provided doctors to Vibra Hospital sues shuttered facility, parent organization](#)
- [Illinois hospitals can't fast-track closures under new legislation](#)
- [Former Rush CEO Dr. Larry Goodman reflects on his biggest challenges and why a strong board makes all the difference](#)
- [Amita Health cuts services at 3 Illinois hospitals](#)
- [Patient safety concerns force Rush to temporarily close 3 mental health units](#)
- [Understaffed nursing homes face hefty fines under newly passed Illinois legislation](#)
- [2 Central Illinois nursing homes getting increased scrutiny by feds](#)
- [QMG Receives Unanimous Vote to Approve Written Decision for Surgery Center](#)
- [State board approves renovation plans for St. John's NICU](#)
- [House Oks Westlake-related bill on hospital closures](#)
- [Carbondale health center awarded \\$3.8M in federal funds](#)
- [SSM Health launches virtual health care visits, convenient and affordable](#)
- [SSM Good Samaritan prepared for more baby deliveries](#)
- [Despite Blessing Health's opposition, Illinois surgery center gains approval](#)
- [Dermatology practice to affiliate with Chicago hospital](#)

INDIANA

- [Rockville Nursing, Rehab to close](#)
- [St. Joseph Hospital Names CEO](#)
- [New CEO selected for critical time at St. Joe Hospital](#)
- [Indiana EHR provider agrees to \\$900K HIPAA violation settlement with 16 states](#)
- [Johnson Memorial Health announces new CEO](#)
- [Trilogy Health Services Takes Culture of Wellness on Tour](#)
- [St. Vincent Expands Neighborhood Hospital Services](#)
- [Kentuckiana Medical Center ownership group to pay \\$3.6 million fine in alleged kickback scheme](#)
- [Peru nursing home named one of country's worst](#)

KENTUCKY

- [Jewish Hospital losses continue](#)
- [Federal agency terminates agreement with Pineville hospital](#)
- [Norton Healthcare named a top place to work](#)
- [Citing patient safety violations, Medicare terminates contract with Kentucky hospital](#)
- [Passport Health Plan sells majority stake for \\$70M](#)
- [How Passport Health Plan's sale to Evolent will affect its customers and employees](#)
- [Beshear: Health records company to pay Kentucky thousands](#)
- [Court approves transferring control of troubled hospital](#)
- [Kindred to close Pennsylvania long-term care hospital](#)
- [Trilogy Health Services Takes Culture of Wellness on Tour](#)
- [Louisville nursing homes named in federal report for 'persistent record of poor care'](#)
- [Kentucky Hospital Association backs Medicaid work requirement, state appeal](#)
- [Court approves transferring control of troubled KY hospital](#)
- [Kentuckiana Medical Center ownership group to pay \\$3.6 million fine in alleged kickback scheme](#)
- [Humana says it's not merging with Centene](#)
- [BG's small specialty hospital celebrates milestone](#)
- [Hoping to save troubled Kentucky hospital, court approves order to switch operators](#)
- [UK HealthCare foundation subject to open records laws, judge rules](#)
- [Medicare termination forces Kentucky hospital to cut workforce by half](#)
- [Medicaid expert: Evolent's \\$70M bailout a matter of survival for Passport](#)
- [University of Kentucky bill collection feud heads to Kentucky Supreme Court](#)

- The deadline on the Jewish Hospital-University of Louisville deal has been extended

MICHIGAN

- Hospitals win awards for 'outstanding' patient experiences
- Michigan's top Medicaid doctor accused of over-prescribing opioids
- Ten Michigan Nursing Homes On Federal 'Serious Quality Issue' List
- Henry Ford Cancer Institute earns full 3-year accreditation from NAPBC
- Bronson Healthcare CEO Frank Sardone to retire at end of year
- SurgCenter readies to open 5th Michigan ASC & more
- No Longer Just A Hospital: Munson To Launch "Amazing" Brand Today
- Wayne State University Physician Group exits bankruptcy, closes sites
- Work continues on Michigan hospital's expansion
- Study links Blue Cross' big size to Michigan's low hospital prices
- Trinity Health's operating income sinks 44% in first 9 months of fiscal year

OHIO

- Bon Secours Mercy Health has new group leader
- Mercy Health parent hires new president for Cincinnati region
- 25-bed Ohio hospital to join WVU Hospital's network
- Akron Children's Hospital taps Philadelphia Children's exec as CFO
- New CFO named at Akron Children's Hospital
- Senior care chain targets post-acute market
- New medical clinic will cater to needs of Amish, Mennonite patients
- ProMedica unveils name changes, planned renovation for Children's Hospital
- Ohio ASC for lease offers alternative to high-cost build out
- Ohio imaging provider charged with 25 counts of healthcare fraud
- Premier Health COO Michael Maiberger to retire in August
- Hospital Gets Medicare's OK After Scrutiny Due to Doc, Doses
- Two non-nurse St. Vincent units vote to end strike against hospital
- MetroHealth names University Hospitals new partner for pediatric care
- Latest edition of the da Vinci Robot helping surgeons at St. Elizabeth
- 2 Cincinnati-area nursing homes land on newly disclosed national list of problem sites
- Nurses claim Ohio hospital illegally made changes to pay cycle, care benefits

WISCONSIN

- Dr. Jon Pryor to join Essentia Health's leadership team to oversee area facilities
- Rogers Behavioral Health expands in Summit, West Allis
- Froedtert Health's plan to open a second Waukesha clinic moves forward
- Froedtert hospitals to take on community names
- Universal Health Services plans \$33 million mental health hospital in West Allis

SOUTH / SOUTHEAST

(Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee)

ALABAMA

- These 4 Alabama nursing homes have a 'persistent record of poor care'
- UAB Huntsville gets new children's psychiatric clinic
- Two Birmingham companies named among nation's best places to work in health care

FLORIDA

- Venice Regional taps former Blake Hospital executive as new COO
- Floridians Have a Right To Access Medical Malpractice Records. Shands Sues to Prevent That.
- Tallahassee Bill 21 fuels speculation about future growth of hospitals
- Park Royal Hospital announced new CEO, the third in less than 2 years
- Florida's universities get creative to meet demand for new nurses
- Living like a leader: A day with Jeff Welch, CEO of Florida Medical Center and Tenet's Miami-Dade Group
- Boca Hospital Aims For Bigger & Better—and a First Interview with New CEO Lincoln Mendez
- Florida Has a Major Physician Shortage
- Downtown Tampa needs a 'medical district,' hospital CEO says

GEORGIA

- 3 female doctors—all from Georgia—will take over top posts at national physician organizations
- Opioid overdose emergency room visits, hospitalizations up in Georgia
- Another Georgia health system is having a contract dispute with an insurance company
- Mental Health Crisis: Georgia ranks 47th in mental health care access
- Northeast Georgia Health System loses 12 cardiologists to neighboring hospital
- Georgia hospital partners with surgery center
- NGMC Heart Center losing 12 cardiologists to Northside Hospital

MISSISSIPPI

- Judge urged to force mental health changes in Mississippi
- Mississippi challenges federal expert in mental health trial

- Two Baptist Memorial hospitals receive 'A's' on Spring 2019 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade

NORTH CAROLINA

- Wake Forest Baptist reports lower financial loss to date in fiscal 2018-19
- UNC Health Care 'Proud' of Program Detailed in NYT Investigation into Child Patient Outcomes
- 'Beyond horrifying': Cardiologists warned UNC Children's of heart program issues
- Vidant faces retaliatory \$35M funding cut amid board controversy, leaders say
- Senator calls budget penalty against Greenville hospital 'attack on eastern NC'
- Vidant Health could lose millions over hospital board make up
- NC Senate considers revoking Greenville hospital's status as ECU's teaching facility
- To Improve Health Outside of Hospital Walls, Atrium Health Commits \$10 Million to Affordable Housing
- North Carolina startup lands \$1M for real-time patient feedback platform
- No timeline for state investigation into NC Children's Hospital
- N.C. hospitals' challenging week
- Vidant makes public settlement offer
- Triad health system opens new occupational medicine practice
- Atrium Health invests \$10M in affordable housing plan
- Gov. Roy Cooper talks about battle between Vidant Health and UNC system
- UNC Health Care CEO's memo to staff after NYT exposé

SOUTH CAROLINA

- Prisma Health names new CEO
- Power strip causes small fire at MUSC Children's Hospital
- Prisma Health announces new president, CEO Mark S. O'Halla
- MUSC wanted to open a \$9.8M cancer center in Berkeley County; SC judge said no

TENNESSEE

- Tennessee hospital to lose Medicare contract
- Governor Lee working on reforming healthcare in Tennessee
- CEO says Acadia is looking to sell its U.K. operations
- Heritage Medical Associates names CEO
- Tennessee clinic donates new orthopedic procedure to 5 veterans
- Home health provider merges with East Tennessee peer
- Ballard Health merger is preventing rural hospital closures in region, CEO says
- 'I don't think it is safe': Physicians raise concerns as Tennessee hospital struggles to stay afloat

- [HCA subsidiary buys St. Louis health care group](#)
- [CHS accused of fraud in suit](#)
- [U.S. Senators release secret list of underperforming nursing homes, 11 in Tennessee](#)
- [Fast Pace Urgent Care to Partner With Calcasieu Urgent Care](#)
- [Alleo Health System Acquires Comprehensive Care](#)
- [Rural East Tennessee hospital turning to bank to pay employees](#)
- [Scapa Opens New Med Device Facility in Tennessee](#)

SOUTH-CENTRAL / SOUTHWEST

(Arkansas, Arizona, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas)

ARKANSAS

- [Conway Regional to Manage Dardanelle Hospital](#)
- [6 Arkansas nursing homes flagged over care](#)
- [AR Heart Hospital receiving patients from AR Surgical Hospital due to nearby flooding](#)

ARIZONA

- [AZ doctor's plea: Don't destroy thousands of patients' medical records](#)
- [Banner Health bets on innovation with formation of new initiative](#)
- [Banner Urgent Care comes to downtown Phoenix](#)
- [Why Arizona's suburbs are telling for healthcare in 2020](#)
- [Former CMO begs judge to stop purge of Arizona hospitals' patient records](#)
- [Arizona, other states reach settlement in health care data breach](#)
- [Arizona health system hosts job fairs, recruiting new nursing grads](#)
- [Phoenix Children's Hospital saved \\$1M per year, boosted physician productivity with a key investment & more from CMIO Dr. Vinay Vaidya](#)

LOUISIANA

- [Ochsner eyes continued expansion of Baton Rouge area network with these new plans](#)
- [University Medical Center New Orleans appoints Danny Hardman CEO](#)
- [University Medical Center names new CEO](#)
- [Louisiana hospital CEO plans to expand ASC services](#)
- [LCMC and East Jefferson General Hospital negotiating on possible 'strategic affiliation'](#)
- [Louisiana to ban freestanding ERs to protect rural hospitals](#)
- [Councilwoman: East Jefferson General Hospital looking into deal with LCMC Health](#)
- [University Medical Center hires new CEO to expand staff, services; 'UMC was built to grow'](#)

- [Fast Pace Urgent Care to Partner With Calcasieu Urgent Care](#)

NEW MEXICO

- [New Mexico delegation announces plan to help combat opioid abuse](#)
- [Hospital CEO tries new approach at trustees meeting](#)
- [New Mexico shores up Medicaid spending rates at hospitals](#)
- [Avamere Family of Companies Expands in New Mexico](#)
- [ABQ gets state's first 24-hour urgent care/emergency care center](#)

OKLAHOMA

- [OKC hospitals agree to pay \\$2.8 million to settle Medicaid allegations](#)
- [Oklahoma Heart Hospital settles whistleblower lawsuit](#)
- [Oklahoma hospital expanding surgery center](#)
- [McCarthy Tops Out Oklahoma Hospital Expansion Project](#)

TEXAS

- [Hospital defends testing after settlement; WHS blames implementation](#)
- [Everest Rehabilitation Hospital nearly complete; \\$23M construction project to lead to 120 jobs](#)
- [Texas patient recruiter gets prison time for role in \\$20M Medicare fraud scheme](#)
- [Texas Set To Ban Surprise Medical Bills But Not All Patients Will Be Protected](#)
- [Houston Methodist plans \\$240M expansion](#)
- [Texas taxpayers fear bailout for failing rural hospital](#)
- [Dallas County Medical Society chief takes over state group representing 53,000 doctors](#)
- [Texas launches statewide ACO](#)
- [Are freestanding ERs good for Texas?](#)
- [Bill to Boost Medicaid Rates for Texas Nursing Homes Dies Before a Vote](#)
- [Negligence lawsuit against Texas orthopedic hospital can move forward, court rules](#)
- [Texas rural hospital proposes taxing district to stay afloat](#)

NORTHWEST

(Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, Wyoming)

ALASKA

- [Sale of Alaska hospital delayed](#)
- [NEW ANALYSIS: Funding for Alaska Hospitals in Jeopardy](#)
- [Alaska awards contract to study Medicaid block grant system](#)
- [At the Alaska Native Medical Center, path to recovery is aided by what comes out of the kitchen](#)

IDAHO

- Roundup Memorial Healthcare announces upgrades, purchase of new equipment
- Hospice of Eastern Idaho wins recognition
- Idaho medical school wraps up first year, takes first steps toward accreditation
- Skyline Surgery Center partners with three area hospitals to jointly serve our communities
- Idaho sues Purdue Pharma

MONTANA

- Report shines light on troubled Montana nursing homes
- Lawsuit says state hospital violated patient rights
- Hayman to lead VA Montana Healthcare
- OSHA in Safety Partnership at Montana Hospital Project

OREGON

- Oregon pediatric hospital launches mobile app for remote patient monitoring
- Oregon neurosurgical practice submits MIPS data through NuVasive's spine registry
- Citing 'unacceptable' situation, Oregon lawmakers announce state psych hospital reforms
- OHSU teams up with UC Davis to increase rural physician numbers

WASHINGTON

- Providence St. Joseph moves to streamline administrative operations, affecting up to 700 jobs
- St. Joseph's grapples with long-term care unit shutting down
- Children's Hospital Operating Rooms Shut Down Due To Fungus
- Citing staffing shortages, another hospital shutter its long-term care wing

WYOMING

- Denver-based Vertex Builders to Build New Surgery Center in Wyoming
- Orthopedic group to build \$10M surgery center in Wyoming
- Wyoming Plans New Skilled Nursing Home For Veterans
- Wyoming-based Evanston Regional Hospital appoints Cheri Willard CEO, CNO

WEST

(California, Colorado, Hawaii, Nevada, Utah)

CALIFORNIA

- California hospitals are fighting a proposal to end surprise ER bills
- Aledade expands into California to bring more physician-led ACOs to the state
- Blue Shield of California CEO wants to bring data sharing between health systems, big tech

- California health care company embarks on hiring spree in Lewiston
- Opinion: It's time to address California's long term care crisis

COLORADO

- St. Mary's Medical Center president, COO to resign
- UCHHealth leads \$15.9M round for prescription decision support startup RxRevu
- St. Mary's Hospital announces leadership transition
- Two of Colorado's largest universities come together to create joint medical school program
- Lender questions nSpire Health's viability
- Banner leases call-center space, to hire 100 new workers
- Fort Collins VA clinic comes out of shadows
- Report: 4 Of 6 Southern Colorado Hospitals Score Low When It Comes To Patient Safety
- West Springs Hospital's Covington honored as Colorado health care star

HAWAII

- Report names 6 Hawaii nursing homes among most troubled facilities in US
- Hawaii's worst performing nursing homes revealed
- Healthgrades recognizes four Hawaii hospitals for outstanding patient experience

NEVADA

- Northern Nevada Medical Center unveils private rooms
- Nevada governor signs law for transparency in asthma drug prices
- Mesquite City Council Approves Hospital Settlement
- Nevada's Medicaid budget ballooning

UTAH

- Utah proposes Medicaid cap, sets up block grant test
- Five Utah nursing homes flagged by federal government for 'serious quality issues'
- Utah wants capped Medicaid enrollment, spending
- Long list of troubled nursing homes revealed by senators; 5 in Utah