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NORTHEAST

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

CONNECTICUT

- [Waterbury therapy business settles False Claims Act allegations](#)
- [PhysicianOne Urgent Care Completes Acquisition of New England Urgent Care Locations in Bristol, Enfield, Manchester and West Hartford](#)
- [PhysicianOne gobbles up Greater Hartford urgent care provider](#)
- [Connecticut center to get a boost from new health care facility](#)
- [Medicare expansion is Plan B for Connecticut's health insurers](#)
- [Hospital, U.S. attorney reach settlement over deaf patient's complaint](#)

MAINE

- [MaineHealth joins Northeastern U to launch AI, data institute](#)

- Maine CDC, hospitals preparing their response to coronavirus
- Express medicine sites take off in Maine, fueling business for developers, builders
- Maine lawmakers push to clear wait lists for people with intellectual disabilities
- Maine doctors worst in the US, patient study says
- Study to look at future of long-term care facilities in Knox County

MASSACHUSETTS

- One year after merger, Beth Israel Lahey gets good marks from monitor
- MaineHealth joins Northeastern U to launch AI, data institute
- Healthcare CFO claims he was fired after questioning ambulance billing
- UMass Memorial Health Care plans to acquire Harrington Hospital
- Boston screens plane, preps hospitals amid national coronavirus outbreak
- Tufts Health Plan expands telehealth amid Harvard Pilgrim merger
- How Massachusetts became a national leader on healthcare - and how it can lead again
- AHA News: These Doctors Want to Write 'Farmacy' Prescriptions
- Governor begins push to overhaul health care in Massachusetts

NEW HAMPSHIRE

- New Hampshire seeks input on youth psychiatric facility
- Gov. Sununu Says Progress Being Made in State's ER Boarding Crisis
- Memorial Hospital responds to coronavirus outbreak

NEW YORK

- Cutting-edge medical research is thriving in Western New York
- Staten Island hospitals on high alert for deadly coronavirus
- Local hospital leader is retiring
- ER Anywhere Pilot Produces Impressive Results: 97% ER avoidance, 99% patient satisfaction
- HSS opens 1st Florida hospital, 2nd new facility in 1 week
- The highlights of CEO Jody Lomeo's tenure at Kaleida Health
- MVHS names senior vice president/chief operating officer
- Cuomo proposes 3 percent tax on new medical facilities
- Massena nurses want contract with St. Lawrence Health Systems settled
- Northwell develops app to track pediatric patients' growth
- Carroll Hospital names seventh president, Garrett Hoover, from Corning Hospital in New York

- New York Braces for Coronavirus: 'It's Inevitable'
- NY Health System Promotes Interoperability with SMART on FHIR App

RHODE ISLAND

- State Rep introduces legislation to establish drug affordability board
- Rhode Island establishes state task force on coronavirus
- St. Anthony Community Hospital Introduces 3D Mammography

VERMONT

- Vermont governor proposes mental health mobile response unit
- Practice Fusion to pay \$145M settlement for taking kickbacks aimed at increasing opioid prescriptions
- Electronic health records vendor to pay largest criminal fine in Vermont in opioid case
- Vermont Hospital Reopens Operating Rooms After Odor Closure
- Vermont offers opt-out protocol for statewide HIE
- Health records firm agrees to \$145M fine, the largest ever in Vermont
- The Doctor Will See You Now
- Charting separate paths proves difficult for Brattleboro Retreat and state
- Students Turn Local Lens on Public Health Issues

MID-ATLANTIC/EAST

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

DELAWARE

- ChristianaCare planning several new urgent care centers in Delaware
- Christiana Care rebrands home health service
- New York-based biopharm co. to move to Del.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

- Washington D.C. braces for potential coronavirus cases
- Cabinet Health has been selected for the Techstars Anywhere accelerator program

MARYLAND

- GRMC continues to achieve excellent quality scores
- 'We're Very Excited' | Expansion Project At Howard County General Hospital Finishing Up, Grand Opening Next Week
- LifeBridge taps new presidents at Carroll, Northwest hospitals
- Carroll Hospital names seventh president, Garrett Hoover, from Corning Hospital in New York

- Addy is new vice president at UM Shore Regional Health
- Johns Hopkins' university and hospital strive to hire, buy from locals in Baltimore to help reduce inequality
- Rockville biotech opens new HQ as it goes on hiring spree
- Get a look inside this Columbia hospital's new \$48M addition
- First look: Suburban's new hospital building readies for prime time

NEW JERSEY

- Geisinger sues to prevent New Jersey health system from breaking away
- Jersey Shore's AtlantiCare wants to end relationship with Geisinger Health
- New Jersey health system owners allegedly embezzled millions as hospitals' debt swelled
- CEO of South Jersey health system to retire
- Mountainside Medical Center (HMMMC) CEO Retiring

PENNSYLVANIA

- UPMC issues 154 layoff notices
- \$300M Chester County Hospital expansion incorporates latest in technology
- Signor is appointed to lead Journey Health System
- Geisinger sues to prevent New Jersey health system from breaking away
- Jersey Shore's AtlantiCare wants to end relationship with Geisinger Health
- Tryko Partners Acquires 240-Bed Skilled Nursing Facility in Philadelphia
- Lehigh Valley Health Network and local ambulance service partner on telemedicine stroke unit
- Pennsylvania hospital receives takeover bids after closing money-losing units
- UPMC closing hospital in northeastern Pennsylvania
- False Claims and Ghost Employees: \$87M Home Health Conspiracy Continues to Unravel
- Penn Medicine signs multimillion-dollar deal for naming rights to SEPTA train station
- Officials unsure, optimistic for future of Ellwood City hospital
- Sources: \$65M deal reached for St. Christopher's Hospital buildings
- Lehigh Valley Health CEO says Steward hospital is at 'end of the road,' but stays mum on deal

VIRGINIA

- Patient Services Inc. to pay \$3M for alleged role as illegal conduit for drug makers
- New Women's Center CEO seeks to expand services, impact
- Hospitals, universities in Southwest Virginia preparing for coronavirus
- Henrico Doctors' Hospital names new chief medical officer

- Virginia hospital teams selected for violence intervention initiative
- Virginia lawmakers reject setting standards for nursing home staffing — for now
- Fauquier Hospital earned \$20-million profit in '18
- Virginia hospitals provided \$3.34 billion in community support, report shows
- Carilion Clinic generated more than \$3.2B in 2018, study shows

WEST VIRGINIA

- WVU Medicine aims to meet rural health care needs
- WVU Medicine East CEO to retire
- West Virginia considers allowing private hospitals to directly employ police officers
- Jefferson Medical Center introduces new robot to help with knee replacements

CENTRAL

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

IOWA

- Nurses have tentative contract deal with Sioux City hospital
- Encompass Health and University of Iowa Health System announce joint venture for rehabilitation hospital
- UIHC implements protocols for new Coronavirus but risk to Iowans remains low, says IDPH
- 40-bed rehabilitation hospital to open in Coralville in 2020
- Residency program to address doctor shortage in Cedar Rapids ending this summer

KANSAS

- Kansas hospital buys ASC, orthopedic practice
- Kansas hospitals, corporate HQs may get tourism incentives under STAR bonds proposal
- KS colleges, hospitals address concerns about coronavirus

MINNESOTA

- St. Luke's earns new accreditation
- MN Health Dept. designates Sanford Bemidji as trauma center
- Essentia cuts long-term opioid prescriptions in half, in just 5 years
- Sanford Health, Beltrami County partner on mental health clinic
- Ryan, North Memorial Health envision 100-acre health village in Maple Grove
- Minnesota health care companies raise \$1 billion-plus in private funding in 2019
- Search warrant: Man cut oxygen to Minneapolis-area hospital
- Children's Hospital Association pledges record-breaking support to Children's Minnesota

- 'What Is Going On Here?': M Health Fairview Cuts At St. Paul Hospitals Alarming Staff, Community

MISSOURI

- SSM Health in St. Louis taking proactive steps against coronavirus
- How a housekeeper became chief nursing officer at St. Mary's in Missouri
- SSM Health Foundation Reveals the Future of Medicine
- UnitedHealth says St. Francis 2.5 times pricier than St. Louis market; hospital cites 25% price drop
- Saint Francis: UnitedHealthcare terminated contract, in-network status in jeopardy
- UnitedHealthcare defends contract negotiations
- Shuttered Missouri hospital struggles to fill patients' medical record requests
- Another local hospital picks Children's Mercy for NICU staffing
- Missouri reaches settlement with health records company
- Missouri patient tests negative for deadly coronavirus; Local healthcare facilities are on alert
- Missouri health care system to begin screening for coronavirus

NEBRASKA

- Nebraska surgeon starts program exchanging volunteer hours to pay off medical bills
- Nebraska Innovation Campus home to one of a kind stomach wellness facility
- Lincoln biotech company gets \$20 million venture capital investment
- UNMC and Nebraska Medicine join forces to fight infectious diseases

NORTH DAKOTA

- Sanford joins partnership that makes generic drugs more affordable, prevents shortages
- Accident atop helipad grounds Trinity Hospital helicopter
- Trinity Health's plan after helicopter is damaged
- New grant expands coverage for mental health in North Dakota
- University of North Dakota to Start Online Doctoral Program in Indigenous Health

SOUTH DAKOTA

- Effort begins to reduce risk of death of S.D. mothers during childbirth
- IHS failed to protect patients from physician's abuse, lawsuit claims
- Expanding palliative care on South Dakota reservations
- Dept. of Health launches plan for suicide prevention
- Man at health clinic claims he had gun

MIDWEST

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

ILLINOIS

- History of harm: Aperion fined \$367K in 2019 just in Illinois
- 4 Chicago hospitals announce tentative \$1.1B merger plan
- Chicago Coronavirus Patient Receiving Treatment at Hoffman Estates Hospital
- GE Healthcare transferring up to 250 jobs from metro Milwaukee to Chicago
- OSF Children's Hospital of Illinois opens 24-hour emergency room designed for children
- Illinois hospital adds meal, nutrition software to Epic EHR to ensure patient safety
- CommonSpirit selects Premier as sole GPO
- Lurie Children's new CEO Dr. Thomas Shanley: We're starting to see the consequences of ignoring pediatrics
- 3 San Antonio hospital systems settle nurses' wage lawsuit
- Mass hires of orthopedic surgeons at 3 hospitals, health systems
- Illinois health system to add 14th hospital

INDIANA

- Despite promises from state leaders, Indiana families still battling home nursing shortage
- Franciscan Health Michigan City marks first year of new \$243 million hospital
- Beacon Health Partners With Michigan Rehab Hospital
- Mary Free Bed welcomes 2 Indiana hospitals to its rehab network
- Methodist Hospitals developing tactical plan following survey
- IU School of Medicine's new global health leader draws from extensive experience in Kenya
- Reid Health to Create State-Recognized Police Force
- IU Med School Celebrates Another Record Year
- IU Health Paoli to Break Ground on Facility

KENTUCKY

- New medical director for community clinic wants to remain engaged
- Louisville health officials start preparing for coronavirus
- Kindred Healthcare names new COO
- U of L Health looking to hire hundreds of nurses, doctors after KentuckyOne takeover
- Rural Kentucky prepares for changes ahead of hospital closing
- Catholic hospital near Ashland to close, costing 1,000 jobs
- ER physician to head Kentucky's Dept. of Public Health

- Should the state loan U of L millions of taxpayer dollars to purchase fiscally failing Jewish Hospital?
- Pending Kentucky hospital closure prompts outpouring of assistance for employees
- Kentucky-based health company will close hospitals in Fort Worth and Dallas
- U of L Health CEO Says Faster Billing, Savings Contributed To Lower Request For State Funding
- Flaget Memorial Hospital named a 'Best Place to Work' for third year running
- LTC's \$33M Acquisition Play; KeyBank's \$21M Purchase Loan for Kentucky SNF
- Taylor Regional Hospital Joins Markey Affiliate Network
- Kentucky doctors could be arrested for transgender youth treatments under a proposed bill
- Humana hired two federal executives — here's what they will do
- Kentucky Health Collaborative hospitals join forces to decrease lung cancer mortality rates in Kentucky

MICHIGAN

- Michigan health system: Ex-worker stole, shared patient data
- Bronson Medical Group offers 130 jobs, six months after layoffs
- Michigan's Medicaid expansion doubles access to primary care
- St. Joseph Mercy Ann Arbor president to become Bronson Healthcare CEO
- Mary Free Bed welcomes 2 Indiana hospitals to its rehab network
- Remote pharmacy bill signed into law
- Beaumont Health fires employee for leaking 1.2K patient records
- Michigan nurses are fighting for better protection against violent patients
- Bronson Healthcare announces new president, CEO
- Beaumont receives \$1.6 million from NIH to study glioblastoma
- ProMedica puts Coldwater Regional Hospital up for sale

OHIO

- Columbus docs pioneering cardiovascular advances
- Mercy Health St. Anne Hospital opens cutting-edge hybrid cardiovascular lab
- Nationwide Children's Hospital seeks Columbus tax break on for-profit subsidiary
- Adena Health System could acquire Ohio hospital with surgery center
- Keeping UTMC a teaching hospital benefits the region
- Ohio pain clinic, owner pay \$650K settlement for unnecessary procedures
- Former TriHealth exec hired as CFO of major Greater Cincinnati nonprofit
- Commissioners file claim against Morrow County Hospital board

- Bon Secours Mercy Health forecasts \$10B in revenue this year
- Ohio county sues hospital board, wants out of deal with OhioHealth
- ProMedica puts Coldwater Regional Hospital up for sale

WISCONSIN

- Bill would allow Wisconsin hospitals to hire more physician assistants
- Columbus' Prairie Ridge Health receives top performer awards
- Tom Still: Wisconsin at center of looming federal battle over health records
- Froedtert Health to open hospital at site across from Milwaukee County Zoo
- Ascension pledges \$1 million for Racine Community Health Center over 5 years
- GE Healthcare transferring up to 250 jobs from metro Milwaukee to Chicago
- Wisconsin at center of looming federal battle over health records
- Children's Wisconsin receives \$15 million donation for mental health services
- Study says hospitals boost local economy
- Mayo Clinic Health System in Barron expands its birth center
- UW nurses, in reviving union, tell hospital board current system isn't working
- Froedtert Health plans new campus at former Wisconsin Heart Hospital
- Madison hospitals taking steps to screen for coronavirus
- Atlanta, Milwaukee children's hospitals get \$15M donations
- Wisconsin healthcare professionals taking precautions to contain Wuhan coronavirus

SOUTH/SOUTHEAST

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

ALABAMA

- What will UAB-Ascension alliance mean?
- Encompass Health expanding with another joint venture
- New CEO named at Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Shelby County

FLORIDA

- Orlando surgery center faces federal lawsuit over kidney stone procedures, kickback claims
- Baptist Health to build \$200M Florida hospital
- Nurses call for Florida Senate to pass bill removing physician supervision
- South Florida hospitals preparing for potential cases of coronavirus
- AdventHealth taps Brent Davis as CFO of Central Florida Division-North Region
- Nation's top orthopedic hospital opens in West Palm Beach

- Florida hospital locked down after bomb threat
- HSS opens 1st Florida hospital, 2nd new facility in 1 week
- Nurses rally in Tallahassee to expand health care options
- Florida hospital names Paige Laughlin COO

GEORGIA

- WellStar opens new health park at Avalon
- St. Francis Hospital names new CEO, she assumes post next month
- Georgia health system acquires remaining stake in surgery center
- Doctors Hospital pursues Columbia County ER
- St. Francis hires new leader following CEO's resignation. Here are the details.
- Grady Health System Taps H.J. Russell, Skanska to Build \$151 MM Free-Standing Surgical Center
- Atlanta, Milwaukee children's hospitals get \$15M donations
- Doctors Hospital talks about nurse shortage in Georgia

MISSISSIPPI

- Future of Mississippi's healthcare remains clouded on the heels of the governor's first State of the State
- Tucker joins UMMC as Obstetrics-Gynecology chair
- New CEO at hospital

NORTH CAROLINA

- Ocracoke Health Center Up and Running
- In 'Year of the Nurse,' North Carolina has ongoing shortage
- CaroMont step closer to building Belmont hospital
- New Hanover hospital sale talk gets attention of state treasurer
- Atrium breaks ground on \$116M Charlotte hospital
- Independent monitor for hospital merger going public in big way
- Bacteria-sniffing dog helps keep North Carolina hospital clean
- North Carolina hospital CEO on medical scare: 'I'm grateful for the experience from a patient's side'
- SECU Comprehensive Cancer Center at CarolinaEast Medical Center is Officially Open
- Lexington Medical Center to stop delivering babies by the end of June
- Bill Kirby Jr.: Nagowski to share health care vision for community
- Atrium Health executive named CBJ's Women in Business Lifetime Achievement Award winner
- Novant Health-GoHealth Urgent Care Opens First Center in Mint Hill

- New heart failure clinic opens Feb. 3
- UNC Health program rated best in nation
- Construction underway for new tower at Atrium Health's Pineville hospital

SOUTH CAROLINA

- New comprehensive burn center to open at MUSC in Charleston
- South Carolina hospital hit with lawsuit following malware attack
- West Ashley Medical Pavilion result of city's, MUSC's visions

TENNESSEE

- Reopening one of Tennessee's closed hospitals proves difficult for new owner in Clay Co.
- Saint Thomas Rutherford Hospital names new CFO
- Payroll problems plague Tennessee hospital
- Texas hospital challenges \$300K penalty caused by typo
- As HCA beats Q4 expectations, hospital giant points to talent strategy as key 'competitive advantage'
- Tennessee physician settles allegations of inflating NP charges
- HCA's profit tops \$1B in Q4
- Vanderbilt University Medical CEO: 3 revenue wins for academic medical centers

SOUTH-CENTRAL/SOUTHWEST

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

ARKANSAS

- Mercy Hospital Fort Smith welcomes new COO Ryan Geib
- Arkansas BCBS grants \$800K to rural hospitals for participation in medical records exchange
- \$817,000 Awarded To 14 Rural Arkansas Hospitals For Patient Information
- Judge dismisses legal challenge to Safe Surgery Arkansas effort
- Rural health partners among award nominees
- UA Little Rock receives grant for healthcare continuing education

ARIZONA

- HonorHealth breaks ground on \$39M behavioral health hospital
- Appeals court orders Arizona to pay \$1.4 million fine in prison health care lawsuit
- Some Arizona hospitals are adding screening measures for coronavirus after outbreak spreads
- Phoenix veteran charged \$4,500 he didn't owe for ER visit
- HonorHealth names new CFO, chief human resources officer

- Lyft expanding its reach in healthcare with CommonSpirit Health partnership
- Grant money promotes mental health support for Arizona first responders
- More healthcare offices help alleviate the impact of crowded hospitals
- Northern Arizona Healthcare breast cancer program recognized for outstanding care

LOUISIANA

- Analysis: Louisiana Medicaid Dispute Lingers Into New Term
- Appeals challenge scrapping of Louisiana Medicaid contracts
- Louisiana businessman owes Medicare over \$27 million
- Behavioral health center opens at New Orleans Children's Hospital
- Feud reignited between John Bel Edwards, Jeff Landry over controversial health care lawsuit
- Louisiana Medicaid dispute lingers into new term
- New use in the works for old University Hospital

NEW MEXICO

- New bill proposes to cap insulin costs in New Mexico
- Amid scare, state makes plan for coronavirus
- New Mexico launches website regarding Novel Coronavirus info
- PSP donates \$5.9 million to TTUHSC for rural health care program

OKLAHOMA

- Patients sue Oklahoma hospital over potential exposure to HIV, hepatitis
- How Would State Pay for Medicaid Expansion? No One Knows Yet
- New Machine Allows Tulsa Doctors To Test For Several Viruses

TEXAS

- San Antonio hospitals spared from Texas downsizing
- 6,000 Steward Health Care workers strike labor deal
- CommonSpirit Health CEO to retire
- University Health System invests in new mobile app
- Kindred Healthcare to close 6 Houston, Dallas locations
- Children's Medical Center Plano to triple capacity with 7-story tower
- Children's Health partners with Amazon to streamline patient package delivery
- Major Houston health system launches new air ambulance service

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- [Texas Health Fort Worth is the First in the Nation to Earn This Joint Commission Certification](#)
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NORTHWEST

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

ALASKA

- [Alaska to Remove Psychiatric Patients From Jails, Hospitals](#)
- [2016 Medicaid reform bill generates huge savings](#)
- [State health officials say Alaska is not among states with patients being monitored for coronavirus](#)

IDAHO

- [Local hospital shutting down residency program this summer](#)
- [Minidoka Memorial offers patients robotic arm assisted joint replacement procedures](#)
- [Idaho Medicaid expansion signups pass 60,000](#)
- [St. Luke's Health System adds higher ed exec to board](#)
- [Getting health care in rural Idaho areas could become easier](#)
- [Idaho Health and Welfare seeks \\$3.7 billion overall budget](#)

MONTANA

- [Hospital project gets \\$600,000 boost](#)
- [Bozeman Health collaborates with Seattle Children's Hospital ahead of NICU opening](#)
- [CMMC updates to a new system for patients electronic medical records](#)
- [Montana hospitals made an insurer to compete with BCBS. It worked — until hospital leaders wanted out](#)
- [Bozeman health officials monitor coronavirus developments](#)

OREGON

- [Oregon's most charitable hospitals are not the largest](#)

- Nursing homes in Freeport, Oregon fined for endangering patients
- Heatherington Foundation endows public health program
- Oregon Senate bill aims to reduce numbers at State Hospital

WASHINGTON

- ‘People don’t have any idea’: Swedish closing two ERs on Monday in advance of strike
- A Corporate Hospital System Buys A Small Hospital. What Happens Next?
- Seattle hospital hires tactical security guards ahead of strike
- Seattle hospital to close 2 EDs during strike
- UW Medicine is developing coronavirus diagnostic test
- Northwest Kidney Centers Names Rebecca Cofinas Fox President and CEO
- Bozeman Health collaborates with Seattle Children's Hospital ahead of NICU opening
- Seattle hospital strike begins
- New Harborview tower could cost \$952 million and rise above I-5

WYOMING

- AHA honors Wyoming hospital with rural health award
- Wyoming Medical Center exploring Banner Health affiliation
- Cheyenne Regional Health System Gift of \$250,000 Supports UW Nursing

WEST

(California, Colorado, Hawaii, Nevada, Utah)

CALIFORNIA

- LA hospital back to full service after water line break
- Dignity Health, PHC say they’re working to reach agreement
- Health Data Breach Not Reported for Seven Months
- San Diego’s Arch Health Pays \$2.9 Million to Resolve False Claims Act Allegations
- Some Bay Area hospital buildings pose risk of earthquake collapse
- Workers at Methodist Hospital of Southern California vote to unionize
- California health system eyes cuts, layoffs to overcome \$57M shortfall
- California physician group settles false billing case for \$2.9M
- California hospital taps CommonWell, Carequality for EHR data sharing
- Tenet hospital in California names new CEO

COLORADO

- Colorado Plains Medical Center named LifePoint Health National Quality Leader
- The Medical Center of Aurora Names Dr. Philip Stahel Chief Medical Officer
- Colorado hospital profits are skyrocketing, new state report says
- CarePoint Health, MRH announce Emergency Medicine Care partnership
- Colorado birth center pilots Mayo Clinic telemedicine program
- Denver-based eye-care tech company names new executive suite
- Colorado health system names new CEO
- CDC Investigates Possible Case Of Coronavirus At St. Anthony Hospital In Lakewood
- St. Mary's cutting imaging costs
- Lakewood Patient Doesn't Have Coronavirus, Officials Announce
- Report says Colorado hospital profits on the rise while patient costs continue to go up
- Colorado Hospice Uses Telehealth Platform to Improve Palliative Care
- California nursing home fined \$13K+ for firing nurse after maternity leave
- Colorado Bill Seeks Medicaid Reimbursement for Telehealth in FQHCs
- 3 finalists named for hospital CEO
- Hospitals Won't Sue Colorado, Signals Truce Over Polis Reinsurance Fees
- Banner opens first mental health unit for older adults in Northern Colorado

HAWAII

- Coronavirus: West Hawaii hospitals prepared
- Queen's opens new Island Urgent Care center in Kakaako
- Big Isle hospitals take action following China outbreak
- HMSA appoints Mark Mugiishi as new president, CEO
- Hawaii Island hospital to open new, \$25M emergency room

NEVADA

- MountainView Hospital breaks ground on free-standing ER facility in northwest Las Vegas
- New emergency room to break ground in northwest Las Vegas
- Clark County patient isolated for potential case of coronavirus
- Carson Tahoe Health helps raise awareness, education for American Heart Month
- Northern Nevada Medical Center is prepared for Coronavirus

UTAH

- More than half of Utahns struggle to afford health care

- St. Mark's Hospital briefly placed on lockdown
- Intermountain plans \$500M pediatric 'model health system'
- Terri Kane, longtime CEO of Dixie Regional Medical Center, ending her 30-year medical career
- How Intermountain added more time with patients, less in EHR