



COMMUNICABLE DISEASE UNIT

October 2025

NEWSLETTER

Monthly Theme:
National Hispanic Heritage
Month

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National Hispanic Heritage Month is observed annually from September 15 to October 15. This month is the time to appreciate and celebrate the colorful cultures and histories of the American Latino community and how they have influenced and contributed to American society.

President Lyndon B. Johnson issued the first Hispanic Heritage Week in September. September 15 was chosen as the start date because it coincided with the Independence Day celebrations of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua from Spain on September 15, 1821.

[Read More](#)



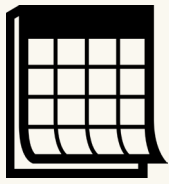
QUICK FACT

Between 2010-2022, while HIV diagnoses decreased by 12% overall, Hispanic/Latino people saw a 24% increase. [Read More](#)



New National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 988

You can still use 1-800-273-8255 and many others are available [here](#).



Upcoming Events

November

Daylight Savings

Veterans Day

Thanksgiving

Men's Health Awareness Month

Hunger and Homelessness

Awareness Month

Native American Heritage Month

December

World AIDS Day

Christmas



Engagement Opportunities

Understanding the Basics of HIV (FH Series)

October 20, 2025

[Register](#)

The Intersection of HIV & Mental Health: Exploring the Relationship Between HIV and Mental Health, and Why Integrated Care Matters

October 27, 2025

[Register](#)



Tuberculosis Laboratory Results for Nurses

October 23, 2025 at 11 a.m. - [Register](#)

This webinar will discuss key laboratory tests used in the diagnosis and management of TB disease. Participants will gain practical insights into interpreting lab results and understanding their clinical implications.



CDU Monthly Webinar: CDU Surveillance Update

Tuesday, October 21, 2-3:30 p.m.

[Link](#)



CDU HEROES

This month, we recognize our amazing DIS: Katelyn Hoff, Haley McKee, Sarah Hendricks, and Kaley Konrad, our all-day, every-day CDU Heroes!



Antonia Novello, M.D.



Ildaura Murillo-Rohde, PhD, RN



Curry International Tuberculosis Center

Level 1: TB Basics, Contact Investigation, and Latent TB Infection
October 6 – December 12, 2025 – [More Information](#)

Fundamentals of Tuberculosis Contact Investigation
December 8, 2025 – [More Information](#)

Fundamentals of Medical & Case Management of Drug-Susceptible TB
January 14, 2026 – [More Information](#)



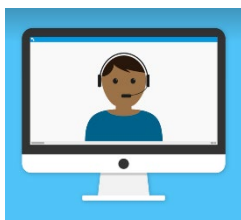
Disease Intervention Specialist Recognition Day

DIS Recognition Day is October 3, 2025, when we recognize Disease Intervention Specialists and what they do to protect people. They bring the skills to address STI, HIV, hepatitis, and TB prevention, notification, outbreak response, and much more. We commend Katelyn Hoff, Haley McKee, Sarah Hendricks, and Kaley Konrad for their ongoing efforts and the impact they are making.



Open Enrollment – Alyssa

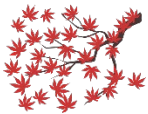
Open enrollment will be Nov 1st to Jan 15th. Case managers will be getting more information regarding the process throughout September and October. Please reach out to alyssa.tekiela@coloradohealthnetwork.org with any questions!



Learning Opportunities

[NCSD Connect](#)
[HCV Test and Cure Module](#)
[Hepatitis B Online Mini-Lectures](#)

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3 CAPPA DIS Recognition Day	4 CAPPA
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12	13 Indigenous Peoples' Day	14 	15 National Latinx AIDS Awareness Day CDU Outreach Staff Call 10-11:30 AM	16 	17	18
19 National Healthcare Quality Week	20	21 CDU Monthly Webinar 2-3:30 PM	22 	23	24 TB Program Quarterly Call 1-2:00 PM	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 	

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<https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/communicable-disease-unit/>

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