Report: Earnings of Colorado college grads vary widely by major and institution

The latest College Measures report on earnings of college graduates looks at data from Colorado, where those receiving an associate of applied sciences degree typically out-earn those with a bachelor's degree during their first year of work. Institution also matters: median first-year income for a business administration major from the University of Colorado Denver is $43,500, compared with $59,600 for graduates with the same degree from the University of Denver. College Measures is a joint venture of AIR and the Matrix Knowledge Group.

Training toolkit helps school staff identify and intervene in teenage dating abuse

Recognizing that schools can help prevent teen violence, AIR's National Center on Safe Supportive Learning Environments developed a training toolkit on teenage dating abuse for nurses, guidance counselors, and other school support staff. This kind of abuse is defined as a pattern of actual or threatened acts of physical, sexual, and/or emotional abuse by adolescents against a current or former dating partner. The training toolkit advises participants on how to identify healthy or unhealthy relationships, establish appropriate policies to address abuse, and extend positive norms throughout school communities. Developed with funding and input from the U.S. Department of Education, this free guide is available on the center's website.

CDC and AIR develop framework for sexual health communication

AIR, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other researchers made recommendations in a Public Health Reports supplement for sexual health issues. The recommendations reflect extensive research and testing, including interviews with professionals in the sexual health field. In general, those interviewed and observed were most receptive to two value-based themes—the importance of protecting health by making good life choices, and the need to add health promotion to traditional disease prevention control. The authors found these two themes were effective starting points for tailoring messages to specific audiences.

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