

## TELEVISION QUARTERLY ISSUES-PROGRAMS REPORT

Station: WEAR-TV  
Location: Pensacola, FL  
Quarter ending: June 30, 2017

ISSUE/description: 5. HEALTH and HEALTHCARE. Planning, costs, special needs of the elderly and Handicapped, indigent care, mental health, medical trends and breakthroughs.

### How Issue was treated (Program, PSA, etc.):

<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time/Duration</u>	<u>Program type</u>	<u>Description</u>
1. Full Measure with Sharyl Attkisson	04/23/17	09:00AM/11 minutes	Public Affairs	*

\* Investigative Reporter Annie Waltman of ProPublica reported on a new strategy of the Pharmaceutical industry ... instead of paying off doctors or lobbying Congress, now the industry is turning to academics to help them justify high drug prices. They're hiring college academics to do research, which seems to support their end theory that their drugs are highly valuable and therefore they should be able to set any price they want. These academics don't always disclose their corporate ties.

2. ABC News Nightline	04/28/17	12:03AM/10 minutes	Public Affairs	**
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\*\* One of tonight's topics was "Trump's first 100 days - Healthcare".

3. ABC News Special Report	05/04/17	01:16PM/10 minutes	News	***
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\*\*\* We reported that the U.S. House of Representatives had just voted to approve the Republican Health Care plan. At 2:15PM for 10 minutes, we aired President Trump's comments on the vote.

4. The Right Side with Armstrong Williams	05/06/17	04:00AM/30 minutes	Public Affairs	****
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\*\*\*\* This week's topic was Men's Healthcare. Dr. Enrique Robles, Dr. Jeff Evans and Dr. Susan Milstein discussed the importance of men taking care of their health and getting annual checkups.

5. This Week with George Stephanopoulos	05/07/17	08:00AM/60 minutes	Public Affairs	*****
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\*\*\*\*\* Guests:

- Speaker Paul Ryan, (R) Wisconsin
- Sen. Susan Collins, (R) Maine; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee
- Dr. Atul Gawande, Staff Writer, *The New Yorker*, Surgeon, Brigham and Women's Hospital Professor, Harvard School of Public Health
- Sara Fagen, Republican Strategist, CNBC Contributor
- Roland Martin, Host, Managing Editor, News One Now
- Steven Rattner, Former Obama Treasury Official  
Contributing Opinion Writer, *The New York Times*

Topic: **Republican Health-Care Bill**

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6. Channel 3 News First at 4	05/11/17	04:00PM/2 minutes	News	*****

\*\*\*\*\* Some medical conditions can have vague symptoms -- like hypothyroidism. When the thyroid gland produces too little thyroid hormone, it can slow essential body processes, including heart rate and metabolism. Hypothyroidism can cause people to feel fatigued, they could gain weight, they could have brain fog -- but plenty of people with those symptoms may have a perfectly functioning thyroid. Still, people who may not have a thyroid problem, but are desperate to lose weight and feel more energetic, sometimes turn to thyroid supplements. Experts at Consumer Reports say helping yourself to thyroid supplements is a bad idea and possibly even dangerous. If you suspect you have a thyroid problem, Consumer Reports urges you to see your doctor. Don't take matters into your own hands.

7. Channel 3 News at 6PM	05/11/17	06:00PM/3 minutes	News	*****
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\*\*\*\*\* Can you lose weight without dieting or quit smoking without cravings? Sounds impossible, but a Pensacola hypnotist says she helps people do that and more, every day. Julie Nise advises we only have to change our state of mind to be free of addictions or habits that hold us back.

8. Channel 3 News at 10PM	05/11/17	10:00PM/2.5 minutes	News	*****
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\*\*\*\*\* For decades, suicide was a taboo subject, but recently it's been the focus of television shows and made national headlines with suicides posted on social media. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the third leading cause of death in the U.S. for people 15 to 44 is suicide. Sweneda Berrian, a mental health therapist at Lakeview Center, said teens are the most vulnerable to committing suicide. Berrian helps treat people dealing with different situations like depression. She's seen a spike in people coming in to learn about suicide and suicide prevention. She believes the topic has been glamorized recently through social media sites like Facebook and TV shows like the Netflix series "13 Reasons Why". Berrian encourages parents to be vocal about the subject and to seek professional advice if they do see symptoms of suicide.

9. Channel 3 News at 10PM	05/18/17	10:00PM/3 minutes	News	*****
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\*\*\*\*\* One pill can both save a life and drain a bank account. The ballooning cost of some prescription drugs is now driving people to desperate decisions, but it didn't have to be this way. The Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA) reported between 2008 and 2015 a whopping 164 percent increase for brand name drugs. Senator Bill Nelson said he's written amendments and bills to allow the federal government to negotiate drug prices, but none of them became law. That's costing taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars, according to the senator. That industry game lawmakers more than \$58 million during the last election and hundreds of millions of dollars over the last two decades. While that campaign cash was coming in, prescription prices kept going up. Short of Congress taking action, there are things you can do: About 19 million Americans have purchased cheaper drugs online from other countries. Just make sure you are buying from a legitimate pharmacy. Some drug manufacturers will help you pay for your prescriptions. And you can work with your doctor to get a cheaper alternative.

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10. 3 in the Morning	05/22/17	06:00AM/3.5 minutes	News	*10
<p>*10 In today's world it's important, almost expected, to be constantly connected. Whether it's through email or by phone, we're tied to technology, but all that tech can take a toll on you in more ways than one. This 21st century problem has a 21st century name: digital distress. Digital distress happens when you're constantly plugged in. Our report offered options to lower the stress levels associated with overuse of digital devices.</p>				
11. Full Measure with Sharyl Attkisson	05/28/17	09:00AM/11 minutes	Public Affairs	*11
<p>*11 We continued our investigation of Acute Flaccid Myelitis, the mysterious new disease that mimics polio, which has left hundreds of children in the U.S. paralyzed from the neck down. Doctors theorize that the disease may be caused by a newly emerging virus, Enterovirus D-68. In 5 months in 2014, there were 1,153 severe cases of EV-D68, with 14 known deaths and 120 confirmed cases of paralysis. CDC officials still can't pinpoint the origin of the virus. We talked with Dr. Benjamin Greenberg of Children's Medical Center in Dallas, who thinks this is the 21<sup>st</sup> century version of polio in the early stages of evolution, and we can develop a vaccine to stop the spread of the virus.</p>				
12. Andrew Young Presents: "Strong Medicine"	06/11/17	03:00PM/1 hour	Public Affairs	*12
<p>*12 Old secrets make for strong medicine. African Traditional Healers, commonly known as "Medicine Men", have handed down secrets through the centuries. This unique form of alternative medicine is now being studied scientifically and proven effective in treatment of diabetes, high blood pressure, and even AIDS and Ebola.</p>				
13. 3 in the Morning	06/12/17	06:30AM/1.5 minutes	News	*13
<p>*13 When it comes to raising babies and children, it seems like everyone knows a better way to do it. So, which advice should you take and which should you ignore? From baby care basics to preparing for childbirth, Baptist Health Care is offering several parenthood education classes to give expecting parents the educational upper hand. Each class concentrates on different phases of pregnancy, from birth preparation through the child's first three months. Baptist Hospital clinical nurse manager, Rebeccah Vires said because of classes like these, infant mortality rates are declining.</p>				

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14. Channel 3 News First at 4	06/20/17	04:00PM/2 minutes	News	*14

\*14 This number might surprise you: Personal bankruptcy filings are down 50-percent over the past six years. Some of that decline is due to the Affordable Care Act. Consumer Reports is out with a new analysis that looks at how the ACA may have helped millions of Americans from taking the extreme step of filing for bankruptcy. Medical bills had been a leading cause of personal bankruptcy before health insurance expanded under the ACA. Medical bills are often unexpected and large and unavoidable, so people who don't have insurance can run up massive debt in a relatively short period of time. CR's reporting found that the ACA's provisions for mandatory coverage of pre-existing conditions and against annual and lifetime payout caps has helped consumers —especially Americans with serious medical issues— avoid bankruptcy.

15. This Week with George Stephanopoulos	06/25/17	08:00AM/60 minutes	Public Affairs	*15
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\*15 Guests:

- Kellyanne Conway, Counselor to the President
- Sen. Chuck Schumer, (D) New York, Minority Leader
- Sen. Susan Collins, (R) Maine, Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee
- Sen. Rand Paul, (R) Kentucky, Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee
- Lanhee Chen, Former Policy Director, Romney-Ryan 2012 Campaign; Fellow, Stanford University's Hoover Institution
- Julie Pace, Washington Bureau Chief, Associated Press
- Neera Tanden, President and CEO, Center for American Progress

Topics:

- **Health Care Bill**