



**QUARTERLY ISSUES AND PROGRAM LIST WCRO - JOHNSTOWN, PA  
SECOND QUARTER 2020**

**VARIOUS CATEGORIES**

Public Affairs Programs

WCRO aired "Radio Health Journal" This is a weekly half hour public affairs program that aired every Sunday morning between 6:00am and 6:30am. Three different issues are dealt with each week. Radio Health Journal focuses on the latest in health, science, and technology. Featuring interviews with renowned medical experts, doctors, scientists, and professors. A complete listing of the topics covered in each RHJ program that aired during this quarter is included in this report.

**GOVERNMENT**

PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH, AND WELFARE

Emergency Alert System (EAS)-Weather warnings, Civil Warnings, and Amber Alerts.

WCRO relayed all "warnings" received through the EAS decoder during this quarter. By relaying these EAS messages over the air, WYUP kept local residents apprised of the latest warnings and vital.

**PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH, AND WELFARE**

LOCAL WEATHER COVERAGE

WCRO aired a thirty second weather report hourly (24 hours a day) every day in this quarter.

LOCAL NEWS COVERAGE – NATIONAL NEWS

WYUP aired newscasts produced by CBS News every hour during the quarter. These newscasts focused on breaking news and current events from around the world.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

WCRO airs Public Service Announcements; to inform our listeners of area happenings. We also post many of these events to our Facebook page.

**This listing is by no means all inclusive. WCRO being a local station focused on our communities is consistently airing events to serve our listeners.**

**Quarterly Report of Compliancy Issues & Programs List  
2020-Q2 (April-June) Radio Health Journal**

- Alcoholism
- Business & Industry
- Charitable & Volunteer Organizations
- Consumerism
- Coronavirus Pandemic
- Crime
- Criminal Justice System
- Culture & Fine Arts
- Diet & exercise
- Disabilities
- Discrimination
- Domestic Violence
- Economics
- Education
- Elderly & Senior Citizens
- Employment & Unemployment
- Ethics
- Exercise & Fitness
- Federal Government
- Food Insecurity & Hunger
- Gender Issues
- Genetics
- Health care
- Human Development
- Media
- Medical System
- Mental Health
- Mental Illness & Treatment
- Minority Issues
- Parenting
- Police & Law Enforcement
- Poverty
- Privacy
- Public Health
- Public Policy
- Public Safety
- Racism & Discrimination
- Recreation & Performing Arts
- Science
- Social Change
- Stress Management
- Technology
- Vaccine Development
- Women's Issues
- Youth at Risk





**Program:** 20-16      **Executive Producer:** Reed Pence  
**Air Week:** 04/19/20      **Studio Production:** Jason Dickey

<i>Time</i>	<i>Segment</i>	<i>Dur.</i>
1:50	<b>SEGMENT 1: WILL COVID-19 BANKRUPT THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM?</b>	
	12:25	

**Synopsis:** Hospitals are scrambling to get extra equipment and outfit more beds and ICU units for COVID-19 patients. Their treatment is time-consuming and expensive. At the same time, hospitals' lucrative elective procedure business has largely been eliminated. Will the combination bankrupt hospitals? Two experts who have studied the crisis discuss.

**Host & Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guests:** Dr. Vivian Ho, Chair, Health Economics, and Director, Center for Health and Biosciences, Rice University and Professor of Medicine, Baylor College of Medicine; Dr. Heidi Russell, Associate Professor, Baylor College of Medicine

**Compliancy issues covered:** health care system; public health; economics; public safety; federal government

**Links for more information:**

- <https://www.bakerinstitute.org/experts/vivian-ho/>
- <https://www.sharecare.com/doctor/dr-heidi-v-russell>

15:17	<b>SEGMENT 2: STAYING FIT WHILE STAYING HOME</b>	
	7:42	

**Synopsis:** The national effort to shelter in place has closed gyms and led many people to complain of weight gain. Two exercise experts discuss how people can maintain fitness at home with no equipment.

**Host:** Nancy Benson. **Producer:** Polly Hansen.

**Guests:** Sabrina Wescott, nutrition health coach and Director of Marketing, Maxpro Fitness; Erin Sampson, yoga instructor on YouTube "Five Parks Yoga" channel

**Compliancy issues covered:** exercise & fitness; coronavirus pandemic; public health

**Links for more information:**

- <https://maxprofitfitness.com/>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kNDpnNsoCwU>

**Program:** 20-17      **Executive Producer:** Reed Pence  
**Air Week:** 04/26/20      **Studio Production:** Jason Dickey

<i>Time</i>	<i>Segment</i>	<i>Dur.</i>
1:50	<b>SEGMENT 1: OPENING AMERICA AGAIN: WHEN IS IT SAFE?</b>	
	12:23	

**Synopsis:** Many Americans are impatient with social distancing as a result of COVID-19 despite the success of the tactic. However, reopening the country too quickly could allow the virus to come roaring back, resulting in thousands more deaths and even more economic damage. Two experts explain how the rollout should happen to get us back to work safely.

**Host & Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guests:** Dr. William Schaffner, Professor of Preventive Medicine and Infectious Diseases, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine; Dr. Gary Slutkin, CEO, Cure Violence Global

**Compliancy issues covered:** public health; public safety; health care; economics; education; public policy

**Links for more information:**

- <https://www.vumc.org/health-policy/person/william-schaffner-md>
- [https://www.who.int/violenceprevention/about/participants/cure\\_violence/en/](https://www.who.int/violenceprevention/about/participants/cure_violence/en/)

15:15	<b>SEGMENT 2: RULES FOR WHO LIVES, WHO DIES IN THE PANDEMIC</b>	
	7:44	

**Synopsis:** A lack of ventilators potentially puts doctors in the position of deciding which of their COVID-19 patients get a ventilator and live, and which ones don't get one and die. New rules for making such decisions have been released which are designed to be fair and independent. The designer of the rules explains.

**Host:** Nancy Benson. **Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guest:** Dr. Douglas White, Professor of Critical Care Medicine and Director, Program on Ethics and Decision Making In Critical Illness, University of Pittsburgh.

**Compliancy issues covered:** health care; public health; ethics; minority issues; infectious disease; coronavirus pandemic; medical system

**Links for more information:**

- <https://ccm.pitt.edu/node/454>

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**Program:** 20-18      **Executive Producer:** Reed Pence  
**Air Week:** 05/03/20      **Studio Production:** Jason Dickey

<i>Time</i>	<i>Segment</i>	<i>Dur.</i>
1:50	<b>SEGMENT 1: MAINTAINING MENTAL HEALTH DURING THE LOCKDOWN</b>	
	12:11	

**Synopsis:** Mental health is difficult to maintain when people are required to stay inside at home. In fact, we're asked to engage in activities that normally would indicate mental distress. A noted psychologist with the NIH discusses ways to stay mentally healthy during the pandemic lockdown.

**Host:** Reed Pence. **Producer:** Polly Hansen.

**Guest:** Dr. Krystal Lewis, clinical psychologist, National Institute of Mental Health

**Compliance issues covered:** public health; health care; mental health; media; mental illness & treatment; coronavirus pandemic; stress management

**Links for more information:**

- <https://potomacpsychiatry.com/krystal-m-lewis>

15:03	<b>SEGMENT 2: NURSING HOMES TRY TO FEND OFF COVID-19</b>	
	8:06	

**Synopsis:** Nursing homes have been a hotbed of fatal COVID-19 infections. The virus was loose in many of them before they could even know it. An industry expert discusses what nursing homes are doing now to keep the virus out and their patients safe.

**Host:** Nancy Benson. **Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guest:** Dan Stockdale, certified nursing home administrator and consultant

**Compliance issues covered:** health care; public health; public safety; elderly and senior citizens; infectious disease; coronavirus pandemic

**Links for more information:**

- <https://danstockdale.com/about-dan/>

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**Program:** 20-19      **Executive Producer:** Reed Pence  
**Air Week:** 05/10/20      **Studio Production:** Jason Dickey

<i>Time</i>	<i>Segment</i>	<i>Dur.</i>
1:53	<b>SEGMENT 1: THE ECONOMY AFTER THE PANDEMIC</b>	
	11:35	

**Synopsis:** The COVID-19 pandemic has caused a quicker economic crash than we've ever seen. Opening the nation too fast will likely trigger a "W" shaped recovery with wide swings of growth then decline. Either way, the effects will last for years. Experts discuss likely scenarios.

**Host & Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guests:** Dr. Martin Andersen, Assistant Professor of Economics, Bryan School of Business and Economics, University of North Carolina at Greensboro; Dr. Mark Muro, Senior Fellow, Metropolitan Policy Program, Brookings Institution

**Compliancy issues covered:** public health; economics; employment and unemployment; business and industry; federal government; coronavirus pandemic; public policy

**Links for more information:**

- <https://bryan.uncg.edu/faculty-and-staff/andersen-martin-s/>
- <https://www.brookings.edu/experts/mark-muro/>

14:30	<b>SEGMENT 2: TELEMEDICINE FINALLY GETS ITS CHANCE</b>	
	7:54	

**Synopsis:** Doctor's appointments via smartphone have been available for some time but were little used except in remote areas due to insurance reluctance. Now telemedicine has been forced on us and on insurers by COVID-19 restrictions, and many providers swear by them. Three experts discuss.

**Host:** Nancy Benson.

**Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guests:** Dr. Franziska Ringfeil, Assistant Professor of Dermatology, Thomas Jefferson University; Dr. Brian Cole, Professor of Orthopedic Surgery, Rush University & Managing Partner, Midwest Orthopedics at Rush; Brian Slusser, CEO, Health In Motion Network

**Compliancy issues covered:** health care; public health; technology; coronavirus pandemic; insurance

**Links for more information:**

- <https://hospitals.jefferson.edu/find-a-doctor/r/ringfeil-franziska.html>
- <https://www.briancolemmd.com;>

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**Program:** 20-20      **Executive Producer:** Reed Pence  
**Air Week:** 05/17/20      **Studio Production:** Jason Dickey

<i>Time</i>	<i>Segment</i>	<i>Dur.</i>
1:47	<b>SEGMENT 1: WOMEN, ALCOHOL, AND ISOLATION</b>	
	12:32	

**Synopsis:** The COVID-19 lockdown has triggered increased alcohol use in many people, and an alcohol use disorder in some. Help can be difficult to access, as face-to-face counseling and group sessions have been halted. For women, it can be even more difficult, as they are much more comfortable in more rare single-sex sharing situations. Two experts discuss today’s dangerous alcohol triggers and how to seek help.

**Host & Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guests:** Jessica Foody, certified professional recovery coach; Dr. Kathleen Brady, Distinguished University Professor of Psychiatry, Medical University of South Carolina

**Compliancy issues covered:** public health; alcoholism, substance use disorder and treatment; women’s issues; mental health; mental illness & treatment; coronavirus pandemic

**Links for more information:**

- <https://www.jessicafoody.com;>
- <https://muschealth.org/MUSCAApps/ProviderDirectory/Brady-Kathleen>

15:21	<b>SEGMENT 2: THE LOSS OF RITUALS</b>	7:13
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**Synopsis:** Spring is the season of rituals—prom, graduation, commencement and weddings. Social distancing has taken most of these rituals away. An expert discusses the importance of rituals in our mental health and why it’s OK to grieve their loss. She also discusses how changing rituals can be successful save for the tragic loss of funerals.

**Host:** Nancy Benson.

**Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guests:** Dr. Maribel Alvarez, Associate Research Professor of Anthropology, University of Arizona

**Compliancy issues covered:** mental health; consumerism; public health; coronavirus pandemic; social change

**Links for more information:**

- <https://anthropology.arizona.edu/user/maribel-alvarez>

**Program:** 20-21                      **Executive Producer:** Reed Pence  
**Air Week:** 05/24/20                **Studio Production:** Jason Dickey

<i>Time</i>	<i>Segment</i>	<i>Dur.</i>
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<b>1:50</b>	<b>SEGMENT 1: THE SHRINKING HUMAN JAW</b>	
	<b>12:08</b>	

**Synopsis:** Over the last 8,000 years, the human jaw has been getting smaller due to an increasingly soft diet and a lack of jaw exercise. The result is an epidemic of crooked teeth and serious health consequences, as two experts explain.

**Host:** Reed Pence.

**Guests:** Dr. Paul Erlich, Professor Emeritus of Population Studies, Stanford University and co-author, *Jaws: The Story of a Hidden Epidemic*; Dr. Sandra Kahn, orthodontist and co-author, *Jaws: The Story of a Hidden Epidemic*

**Compliancy issues covered:** youth at risk; human development; public health; diet and nutrition

**Links for more information:**

- <https://www.sup.org/books/title/?id=29626>

<b>15:00</b>	<b>SEGMENT 2: ANDROGENS AND COVID-19</b>	
	<b>7:26</b>	

**Synopsis:** For people under about age 70, covid-19 is much harder on men than on women, especially those with strong male characteristics like scalp balding and plentiful body hair. A group of researchers has a theory as to why—that male hormones provide the virus with an entry into the cell. One of the researchers discusses what that could mean in terms of treatment.

**Host:** Nancy Benson.

**Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guest:** Dr. Carlos Wambier, Assistant Professor of Dermatology, Brown University Warren Alpert Medical School

**Compliancy issues covered:** consumerism; public health; research & development; vaccine development;

**Links for more information:**

- <https://brownderm.org/doctor/carlos-gustavo-wambier-md-phd/>

**Program:** 20-22      **Executive Producer:** Reed Pence  
**Air Week:** 05/31/20      **Studio Production:** Jason Dickey

<i>Time</i>	<i>Segment</i>	<i>Dur.</i>
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<b>1:50</b>	<b>SEGMENT 1: COVID AND CHOIRS</b>	
	<b>11:47</b>	

**Synopsis:** Scientists have discovered that singing is an exceptionally effective way to spread viruses through the aerosolized particles it expels, which may travel much farther than the six foot safety zone many people follow. This means choruses and choirs may not get back to “normal” after the covid-19 pandemic until much later than most activities, and only with rapid, effective testing or a vaccine. Experts explain.

**Host:** Reed Pence.

**Guests:** Dr. Robert Russell, Music Director, CHORALART, Portland, ME and Professor Emeritus of Music, University of Southern Maine; Dr. Lucinda Halstead, Medical Director, Evelyn Trammel Institute for Voice and Swallowing, University of South Carolina and President, Performing Arts Medicine Assn.

**Compliancy issues covered:** health care; public health and safety; culture and fine arts; recreation and performing arts; economics; infectious disease; coronavirus pandemic

**Links for more information:**

- <https://www.choralart.org/music-director/>
- <https://www.rider.edu/faculty/lucinda-halstead>

<b>14:39</b>	<b>SEGMENT 2: WHY WOMEN ARE GENETICALLY STRONGER</b>	
	<b>7:38</b>	

**Synopsis:** Women may have been known through the centuries as the weaker sex, but researchers have learned that they are anything but weak. Their 2 X chromosomes are both active and cooperate with each other, especially in immune response. An expert discusses new findings on their genetic superiority.

**Host:** Nancy Benson. **Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guest:** Dr. Sharon Moalem, author, *The Better Half: On the Genetic Superiority of Women*

**Compliancy issues covered:** women’s issues; gender issues; health; genetics; research & development

**Links for more information:**

- <http://sharonmoalem.com>

**Program:** 20-23      **Executive Producer:** Reed Pence  
**Air Week:** 06/07/20      **Studio Production:** Jason Dickey

<i>Time</i>	<i>Segment</i>	<i>Dur.</i>
1:49	<b>SEGMENT 1: GENETIC TESTING AND LIFE INSURANCE</b> 12:03	

**Synopsis:** It's illegal for health insurers to use genetic testing to discriminate against policyholders. However, life insurers can and do discriminate on that basis if the test is in your medical file. Private testing lets patients know their risk for many diseases without landing in health files. Advocates want to make it illegal for life insurers to also discriminate on this basis, but it may end up with higher costs for everyone. Experts explain.

**Host:** Reed Pence.

**Producer:** Polly Hansen.

**Guests:** Anya Prince, Associate Professor of Law, University of Iowa; Dr. Patricia Born, Professor and Payne H. and Charlotte Hodges Midyette Eminent Scholar in Risk Management and Insurance, Florida State University; Lisa Schlager, Vice President of Public Policy, Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered (FORCE)

**Compliancy issues covered:** health care; insurance; economics; ethics; privacy; public policy; genetics; technology

**Links for more information:**

- <https://law.uiowa.edu/anya-prince>
- <https://business.fsu.edu/person/patricia-born>
- <https://www.facingourrisk.org/about-us/about/staff.php>

14:54	<b>SEGMENT 2: WHAT EVERY PARENT SHOULD KNOW: "IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE DROWNING"</b> 7:25	
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**Synopsis:** Seven hundred children under age 15 drown in the US each year, most within sight of a parent or other adult. Experts discuss one major reason: drowning doesn't look like most people picture it, and so are unaware the child is in trouble.

**Host:** Nancy Benson.

**Guests:** Dr. Francesco Pia, water safety educator; Mario Vittone, Retired Marine Safety Specialist, US Coast Guard.

**Compliancy issues covered:** public health; public safety; youth at risk; water safety; consumerism

**Link for more information:**

- <http://poolsafely.gov>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-dmYka7>

**Program:** 20-24      **Executive Producer:** Reed Pence  
**Air Week:** 06/14/20      **Studio Production:** Jason Dickey

<i>Time</i>	<i>Segment</i>	<i>Dur.</i>
1:43	<b>SEGMENT 1: MISUNDERSTANDING STUTTERING</b>	
	11:39	

**Synopsis:** Stuttering is an extremely misunderstood disability. Many stutterers go to great lengths to avoid the words or phrases that trip them up, and are often successful in keeping their disability hidden. Yet then it may be mistaken for other problems. Experts explain, using former Vice President Joe Biden as an example.

**Host & Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guests:** Jane Fraser, President, Stuttering Foundation of America; Dr. Eric Jackson, Assistant Professor of Communicative Sciences and Disorders, New York University

**Compliancy issues covered:** disabilities; youth at risk; education

**Links for more information:**

- <https://www.stutteringhelp.org>
- <https://www.stutteringhelp.org/content/jane-fraser>
- <https://steinhardt.nyu.edu/people/eric-s-jackson>

14:24	<b>SEGMENT 2: DISEASE RISK AND INHERITANCE</b>	7:31
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**Synopsis:** Scientists have learned that the habits and environments of our parents and grandparents can have a strong effect on our health and longevity as a result of imprinting on egg and sperm cells. An expert explains.

**Host:** Nancy Benson.

**Guest:** Judith Finlayson, author, *You Are What Your Grandparents Ate: What You Need to Know About Nutrition, Experience, Epigenetics, and the Origins of Chronic Disease*

**Compliancy issues covered:** public health; health care; poverty; food insecurity & hunger

**Link for more information:**

- <https://youarewhatyourgrandparentsate.com/> - bios

**Program:** 20-25      **Executive Producer:** Reed Pence  
**Air Week:** 06/21/20      **Studio Production:** Jason Dickey

<i>Time</i>	<i>Segment</i>	<i>Dur.</i>
1:50	<b>SEGMENT 1: PROTESTS AMID THE PANDEMIC</b>	
	12:37	

**Synopsis:** With thousands of people demonstrating in the streets after the death of George Floyd, health experts are concerned that the crowds, shouting, and lack of masks may contribute to a spike in COVID-19 cases. However, with many locations also “opening up,” they say a spike is inevitable, to be made worse by protests, but teasing out what’s responsible becomes more difficult. Experts discuss.

**Host & Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guests:** Dr. Julie Swann, Dept. Head and Allison Distinguished Professor, Fitts Dept. of Industrial and Systems Engineering, North Carolina State Univ; Dr. Pinar Keskinocak, Professor of Industrial and Systems Engineering and Director, Center for Health and Humanitarian Systems, Georgia Tech University

**Compliancy issues covered:** public health; racism and discrimination; crime, police & law enforcement; public safety; infectious disease; coronavirus pandemic; social change

**Links for more information:**

- <https://www.ise.ncsu.edu/people/jlswann/>
- <https://www.isye.gatech.edu/users/pinar-keskinocak>

15:29	<b>SEGMENT 2: PROTECTING YOUR EYES FROM SUMMER UV RAYS</b>	
	7:17	

**Synopsis:** Summer is when people want to spend as much time outdoors as possible. Skin protection and sunscreen are something most of us consider, but overexposure to UV rays is extremely dangerous to the eyes as well. An expert discusses.

**Host:** Nancy Benson.

**Producer:** Hannah Swarm.

**Guest:** Dr. Rachel Bishop, ophthalmologist, National Eye Institute

**Compliancy issues covered:** public health; consumerism

**Links for more information:** <https://nei.nih.gov/pressroom/bishop>

**Program:** 20-26      **Executive Producer:** Reed Pence  
**Air Week:** 06/28/20      **Studio Production:** Jason Dickey

<i>Time</i>	<i>Segment</i>	<i>Dur.</i>
1:50	<b>SEGMENT 1: LONG-SUFFERING COVID SURVIVORS</b>	
	12:27	

**Synopsis:** While most people who contract COVID-19 survive, those who suffer often-changing symptoms for months on end can only wonder when they'll get well. A survey of members of a long-haul survivors support group find that many who don't have "textbook" symptoms suffer poor medical care and discrimination as a result. Two women who operate the support group discuss the issues.

**Host & Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guests:** Fiona Lowenstein, founder, Body Politic Wellness Collective; Hannah Davis, researcher, Body Politic Support Group

**Compliancy issues covered:** public health; medical system; discrimination; mental illness and treatment; consumerism; research & development

**Links for more information:**

- <https://www.wearebodypolitic.com/covid19>

15:19	<b>SEGMENT 2: Face Masks and Breathing</b>	
	7:22	

**Synopsis:** Some people insist that wearing a face mask smothers them and makes them feel like they're not getting enough air. An expert discusses what might be going wrong and lays out the basics on how to wear a mask without needing to come up for air.

**Host:** Nancy Benson.

**Producer:** Reed Pence.

**Guest:** Dr. Bill Carroll, Adjunct Professor of Chemistry, Indiana University and former President, American Chemical Society; Dr. Lucinda Halstead, Medical Director, Evelyn Trammel Institute for Voice and Swallowing, University of South Carolina

**Compliancy issues covered:** public health; consumerism

**Links for more information:**

- <https://www.chem.indiana.edu/faculty/bill-carroll/>