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Weekly Public Affairs Program

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1. **Sam Emaminejad, PhD**, Assistant Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering at the UCLA Samueli School of Engineering

Prof. Emaminejad has developed an add-on for existing smartwatches that allows the device to monitor drug levels inside a person's body in real time. He said the wearable technology could be incorporated into a more personalized approach to medicine -- where an ideal drug and dosages can be tailored to an individual. He believes the cost will be low and it could be available to consumers within two or three years.

Issues covered:

Length: 8:52

**Personal Health
Technology**

2. **Lisa Boucher, RN**, author of *"Raising the Bottom: Making Mindful Choices in a Drinking Culture"*

Ms. Boucher said many Americans quarantined are feeling more and more disconnected, which can easily lead to substance abuse. She added that people who may already have drinking problems are drinking more because they are alone, and alcohol can be easily ordered online and delivered to their homes. She outlined warning signs and what help is available for those struggling with alcohol abuse.

Issues covered:

Length: 8:18

**Substance Abuse
Coronavirus**

3. **Roger Beckett**, Executive Director of the Ashbrook Center at Ashland University, Ashland, Ohio

For years, the teaching of history and civics has taken a back seat to STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) education. Testing has found that only 18 percent of 8th graders are deemed "proficient" or better in history; only 23 percent in civics or government. Mr. Beckett explained why he believes the founding documents of our country should be essential reading for every American, especially students.

Issues covered:

Length: 5:03

**Education
Government Policies**

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