

The Players



George Wiegiers is a former managing director at Lehman Brothers and at Dillon, Reed & Co. He donated \$3 million to establish the University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine Depression Center and to begin the National Network of Depression Centers. He also has served as a trustee of the CU Foundation and as national chairman of Trout Unlimited. In addition to his work as an investment banker, Mr. Wiegiers has been a director on many corporate boards. He moved to Colorado in the mid-1990s. He continues to run his own company, Wiegiers Capital Management. He lives in Vail with his wife, Elizabeth. They have one child, Alex.



Jeannie Lewis Ritter is Colorado's First Lady. After graduating from the University of Northern Colorado with a degree in Special Education, she volunteered with the Peace Corps in Tunisia. Jeannie and now-Gov. Bill Ritter married in 1983. The couple spent three years in Zambia as lay missionaries, running food distribution and health education centers. Mrs. Ritter taught in Denver Public Schools for ten years, specializing in classes for emotionally disturbed children. As First Lady of Colorado, she has made mental health issues her focus, hoping to bring much-needed attention to this often-ignored issue. She and Gov. Ritter have four children: August, Abe, Sam and Tally.



M. Roy Wilson, MD, MS is Chancellor of the University of Colorado Denver. Dr. Wilson is an ophthalmologist. As Chancellor, he oversees three campuses; downtown Denver, Ninth Avenue and Colorado Boulevard, and the Anschutz Medical Campus in Aurora, with combined totals of more than 28,000 students and 8,000 employees, including more than 5,000 faculty teaching graduate and undergraduate programs in 12 schools. Dr. Wilson took the helm of Colorado's premier urban research university July 1, 2006. He came from the four-campus Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, where he had served as president since 2003.



Richard D. Krugman, MD is Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs of the University of Colorado Denver and Dean of the School of Medicine. He supports the deans of Dentistry, Nursing, Pharmacy and the Graduate School at the Anschutz Medical Campus and oversees all clinical programs of the university at its five affiliated hospitals. He is a graduate of New York University School of Medicine. He joined the University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine faculty in 1973. He is Professor of Pediatrics and an internationally known expert in child abuse. He has been Dean of the medical school since 1990.



Robert Freedman, MD, is a graduate of Harvard Medical School. For the past 29 years he has been a faculty member at the University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine and the Denver VA Medical Center, where he is Professor of Psychiatry and Pharmacology, Director of the Schizophrenia Research Center, and Chair of the Department of Psychiatry. He helped organize the University of Colorado Denver's participation in the National Network of Depression Centers. He is a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies of Science and has served as Editor of the American Journal of Psychiatry since 2006.



Marshall Thomas, MD, will direct the University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine Depression Center. Dr. Thomas is Professor of Psychiatry and Vice Chairman of the medical school's Department of Psychiatry. As Medical Director for the Department of Psychiatry's clinical services, Dr. Thomas has developed a number of innovative clinical programs that have received national recognition. His clinical interests have focused on comprehensive approaches to the treatment of patients with mood disorders.



John Greden, MD, is Executive Director of the University of Michigan Comprehensive Depression Center, the Rachel Upjohn Professor of Psychiatry and Clinical Neurosciences in the Department of Psychiatry, and Research Professor in the Molecular and Behavioral Neuroscience Institute. The University of Michigan Comprehensive Depression Center integrates research, clinical, educational and public policy efforts of more than 180 members from many areas of the university. Dr. Greden now is leading efforts to establish similar centers throughout the country and integrate them into a National Network of Depression Centers.