

Community Healthline



Podcasts

Community Health Line (1977-2007)



**Tom O'Connor
& William Gust, M.D.**

For 20 years (1987-2007), Tom O'Connor (left), senior associate director of UNMC Public Relations Department, and William Gust, M.D., assistant professor of UNMC Department of Internal Medicine, served as co-hosts of "Community Health Line," a weekly radio program featuring UNMC and community health experts. The program aired on Wednesdays from 10:30 to 11 a.m. on KIOS-FM (91.5).

Overall, the program aired for nearly 30 years and is believed to be the longest running health program in Omaha radio history. Dr. Gust's passion for the program was evident. In 1994, a serious throat infection required an emergency tracheotomy, which forever gave his voice a gravelly quality. The show is now off the air and a new program is in development. The final year of "Community Health Line" programs (.mp3 format) is linked below.

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Guest: Gary Cochran, Pharm. D.

Topic: [Reducing pharmaceutical errors](#)

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Guest: Dan Anderson, M.D.

Topic: [Heart healthy diet](#)

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Guest: Cathleen Piazza, Ph.D.

Topic: [Pediatric eating disorders](#)

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Guest: Katherine Finney, M.D.

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Guest: Carl Smith, M.D.

Topic: [Olson Center for Women's Health](#)

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Guest: Alvin Wee, D.D.S.

Topic: [Oral facial prosthetic clinic](#)

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Guest: Dell Gines

Topic: [Omaha Urban Area Health Education Center](#)

October 24, 2007

Guest: Jim Sorrell, M.D.

Topic: [College students and mental health](#)

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Guest: Rebecca Webster, M.D.

Topic: [Falls in seniors](#)

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Guest: Jyoti Mahapatra, M.D.

Topic: [Concussions and head injuries](#)

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Guest: Sylvia Ziegenbein, M.D.

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September 25, 2007

Guest: John Shepherd, M.D.

Topic: [Low vision clinic](#)

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Guest: Mark Smith, M.D.

Topic: [MMI's work with people with disabilities](#)

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Guest: Dave Mercer, M.D.

Topic: [Hepatitis C research](#)

August 29, 2007

Guest: Michael Cullen, M.D.

Topic: [Plantar fasciitis](#)

August 22, 2007

Guest: Paul Larsen, M.D.

Topic: [Pediatric neurology and what makes a good teacher](#)

August 15, 2007

Guest: Audrey Lazenby, M.D.

Topic: [Inflammatory diseases of the colon](#)

August 8, 2007

Guest: Susan Smith

Topic: [The Sandwich Generation and dealing with stress](#)

August 1, 2007

Guest: Sean McGarry, M.D.

Topic: [Orthopedic oncology](#)

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Guest: Kaleb Michaud, Ph.D.

Topic: [Arthritis Outcomes Research Center](#)

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Guest: Sarah Thompson, Ph.D.

Topic: [End of life care](#)

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Guest: Brenda Bishop

Topic: [Weight management and diabetes prevention](#)

June 27, 2007

Guest: Quan Ly, M.D.

Topic: [Colon cancer](#)

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Guest: Kerri Peterson and Kent McNeill

Topic: [Bike to work month](#)

June 13 , 2007

Guest: Bob Binhammer, Ph.D.

Topic: [Gross anatomy](#)

June 6 , 2007

Guest: Lori Maness, M.D.

Topic: [Myelodysplastic syndrome](#)

May 30, 2007

Guest: Wayne Fisher, Ph.D. and Gail Werner-Robertson

Topic: [Autism](#)

May 23, 2007

Guest: Anthony Lauder, M.D.

Topic: [Hand/wrist injuries, carpal tunnel](#)

May 15 , 2007

Guest: Charlene Kelly, Ph.D. and Rosalee Yeaworth, Ph.D.

Topic: [Nebraska Center for Nursing](#)

May 9 , 2007

Guest: Kathleen Grant, M.D.

Topic: [Methamphetamine use in rural Nebraska](#)

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Guest: Martin Wetzel, M.D.

Topic: [Adult ADHD](#)

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Guest: Jim Sorrell, M.D.

Topic: [Psychology of VA. Tech shootings](#)

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Guest: Howard Needelman, M.D.

Topic: [Development outcomes of premature babies](#)

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Guest: Diane Allen-Gipson, Ph.D.

Topic: [Airway research/diversity](#)

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Guest: Ken Hansen

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Guest: Ann Berger, Ph.D. and Bernice Yates, Ph.D.

Topic: [Nursing research](#)

March 14 , 2007

Guest: Vicky DeCoster

Topic: [How humor can improve one's health](#)

March 7 , 2007

Guest: Peggy Wheelock, Ph.D. and Keith Johnson, Ph.D.

Topic: [Cell signaling](#)

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Guest: Paula Turpen, Ph.D.

Topic: [New research at UNMC](#)

February 21 , 2007

Guest: John Gollan, M.D., Ph.D.

Topic: [Liver disease and the UNMC College of Medicine's 125th Anniversary](#)

February 14 , 2007

Guest: Tim Malloy, M.D.

Topic: [Alzheimer's disease and related dementia](#)

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Guest: Kara Henner Eastman

Topic: [Omaha Healthy Kids Alliance](#)

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Guest: Roxanna Jokela

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Guest: Sharon Medcalf

Topic: [Preparation for avian flu pandemic](#)

January 17 , 2007

Guest: Lisa Bartenhagen and Marcia Hess Smith

Topic: [Radiation science and nuclear medicine](#)

January 10 , 2007

Guest: Mary Wampler, M.D.

Topic: [Occupational and environmental medicine](#)

December 20 , 2006

Guest: Mark Gilbert and Virginia Aita, Ph.D.

Topic: [Art and medicine](#)

Community Health Line Links

The last broadcast of their program from KIOS studios.

[Community Health Line signing off -- for now anyway](#)

[The greatest PR tool](#)