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Academic Fellow Rachel E. Sachs to Join Faculty at Washington University School of Law



We are [pleased to announce](#) that Petrie-Flom Academic Fellow [Rachel E. Sachs](#) has been appointed an Associate Professor at the [Washington University in St. Louis School of Law](#). At Washington University, Rachel will continue to teach and research at the intersection of patent law and health law, with a particular focus on problems of innovation in and access to health care technologies. In her two years at the Petrie-Flom Center, Rachel has studied the relationship between prescription drug insurance and innovation incentives, recent legal developments in personalized medicine, and the ways in which the FDA and patent law deal with emerging

technologies that challenge existing legal paradigms. Her written works from her time at the Center will or have been published in the University of California Davis Law Review, the Yale Journal of Law & Technology, IP Theory, and the Journal of Law and the Biosciences, as well as book chapters in volumes stemming from two conferences held at the Center. She has given invited presentations at Harvard Law School, Boston University Law School, Massachusetts General Hospital, and at a National Institutes of Health working group, among others.

Congratulations, Rachel!

Join Us for Our March Events!



The Limits to Consumerism in Healthcare: A lecture by Mary Anne Bobinski

March 2, 2016 12:00 PM

[Wasserstein Hall, Room 1010](#)

[Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA](#)

[Mary Anne Bobinski](#), Professor of Allard School of Law at the University of British Columbia, and [Louise P. King](#), Assistant Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Biology and Director of Reproductive Ethics at the Center for Bioethics, will explore some of the limits to consumerism in health care, with a particular focus on circumstances where patient values or preferences conflict with provider values, professional ethics, or societal norms captured in legislation or court decisions.

This event is free and open to the public. Lunch will be served.

Sponsored by the [Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics at Harvard Law School](#) and the [Center for Bioethics at Harvard Medical School](#), with support from the Oswald DeN. Cammann Fund.

The Future of Health Law and Policy: The Petrie-Flom Center's 10th Anniversary Conference Celebration

March 29, 2016 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

[Wasserstein Hall, Milstein East ABC](#)

[Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA](#)



The Petrie-Flom Center is celebrating its first decade and kicking off the next by looking at the future of health law and policy!

Please join us as we bring together Petrie-Flom and other prominent Harvard Law School alumni to discuss major trends, developments, and open questions in the fields of health law policy, biotechnology, and bioethics. We'll hear about the founder's vision for the Center and the Dean's perspective on the Center's influence within the Harvard Law School community and beyond. Center Leadership will discuss what we have accomplished in the first ten years, and more important, our plans for the future. [Alan Weil](#), Editor-in-Chief of *Health Affairs*, will deliver the keynote address.



This event is free and open to the public, but seating is limited and registration is required. [Register now!](#)

Sponsored by the [Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics](#) at Harvard Law School, with support from the [Harvard Law School Dean's Office](#).

Scholarship from Petrie-Flom Affiliates



The Unpatentable Microbiome

By [Rachel E. Sachs](#) (Academic Fellow)

New England Regional Junior Faculty Scholarship Workshop, February 12, 2016

Violence Risk Assessment with Youth and Young Adults

By [Robert Kinscherff](#) (Senior Fellow)

Cambridge Health Alliance, February 3, 2016

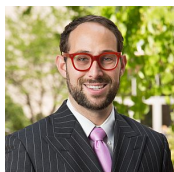


"The Trolley Problem Mysteries" HKS Library Virtual Book Tour

By [Frances Kamm](#) (Senior Fellow Alumna)

Harvard Kennedy School Library, January 20, 2016

News from Petrie-Flom Affiliates



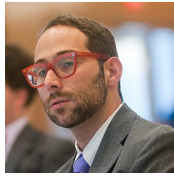
Research on 'Three Parent Babies' is 'Ethically Permissible,' Report Concludes

By [Kristen Fischer](#), quoting [I. Glenn Cohen](#) (Faculty Director)
Healthline, February 17, 2016

Scalia's death shakes contraception mandate, other high-profile court cases

By [Tom Howell Jr.](#), quoting [Holly Fernandez Lynch](#) (Executive Director)
Washington Times, February 15, 2016





Expert Committee: FDA Should Allow Mitochondrial Replacement Trials Under Certain Conditions
 By Zachary Brennan, quoting I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director)
Regulatory Affairs, February 3, 2016

From the Blog



Bill of Health

Examining the intersection of law and health care, biotech, & bioethics
 A blog by the Petrie-Flom Center and friends

Recent Blog Posts

Health insurance, health care reform/finance:

- "[High Deductibles and Consumer-Based Health Care](#)," by Zack Buck
- "[Medicaid and the Primaries](#)," by Emma Sandoe
- "[President Obama Introduces Evidence Generation Strategy to Reduce High Drug Costs](#)," by Elizabeth Guo

Reproductive Health/Rights:

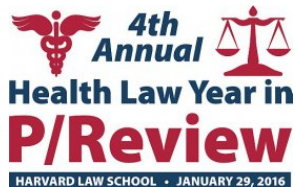
- "[Et tu, CDC?](#)," by Michael Anne Kyle
- "[Zika Messes with Texas](#)," by Gregory M. Lipper

General health law/policy:

- "[Humanizing Pain: Advocacy, Policy and Law on Abortion, Execution and Juvenile Life Without Parole](#)," by Robert Kinscherff
- "[The Testosterone Rule Strikes Again - New Policy to Address Transgender Athletes](#)," by Maayan Sudai
- "[Expanding Coercive Treatment Is The Wrong Solution For The Opioid Crisis](#)," by Leo Beletsky, Wendy Parmet, and Ameet Sarpatwari

If you'd like to join us as a guest blogger or if you have something you'd like us to post, please contact us at petrie-flom@law.harvard.edu.

VIDEO NOW AVAILABLE!



Fourth Annual Health Law Year in P/Review January 29, 2016

The Fourth Annual Health Law Year in P/Review symposium featured leading experts discussing major developments during 2015 and what to watch out for in 2016. The discussion at this day-long event covered hot topics in such areas as health insurance, health care systems, public health, innovation, and other issues facing clinicians and patients.

Couldn't attend in person? Learn more about the event:

- Check out event details and find videos of the full event [here!](#)
- Learn more about the presentations - check out select [speakers' slides!](#)
- Check out the [collaborative blog series](#) on the Health Affairs Blog!

This year's Health Law Year in P/Review was sponsored by the [Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics at Harvard Law School](#), the [New England Journal of Medicine](#), [Health Affairs](#), the [Hastings Center](#), [Harvard Health Publications at Harvard Medical School](#), and the [Center for Bioethics](#) at Harvard Medical School, with support from the Oswald

DeN. Cammann Fund at Harvard University.

Petrie-Flom Center Events

Check out our [website](#) for a more complete listing of events scheduled for 2016, as well as full co-sponsorship information about our collaborators. Remember, you can find materials from many of our events, including slide presentations and full event videos, online in our [events archive](#).



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The National Security Implications of the Genetics Revolution

April 5, 2016 12:00 PM

[Pound Hall, Room 101 Harvard Law School, 1536 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA](#)

Check Out These Other Great Upcoming 2016 Events!

- [Canaries in the Coal Mine: People with Disabilities and Non-Invasive Prenatal Diagnosis](#), February 22, 2016
- [Negotiating for Health: The Role of Negotiation and Dispute Resolution in Healthcare](#), February 27, 2016
- [Therapeutic Misconception in ALS](#), March 3, 2016
- [The National Security Implications of the Genetics Revolution](#), April 5, 2016
- [SAVE THE DATE: Project on Law and Applied Neuroscience Panel Discussion](#), April 13, 2016
- [AGENDA NOW AVAILABLE! 2016 Annual Conference: Big Data, Health Law, and Bioethics](#), May 6, 2016
- [Special Opening Lecture by Don Berwick: Part of ASLME's 39th Annual Health Law Professors Conference](#), June 2, 2016

Other Harvard Events

Sheri Fink: Ethics in Emergencies, from Katrina to Ebola and Beyond

February 25, 2016

[Fong Auditorium, Boylston Hall, Harvard Yard](#)

Other Events

Intensive Workshop in Conflict Resolution

April 28 - May 1, 2016

[Penn Department of Medical Ethics and Health Policy](#)

Health Law Policy & Bioethics Workshops

The 2015-2016 [Health Law Policy, Biotechnology and Bioethics Workshops](#) provide a forum for discussion of new scholarship in these fields from the world's leading experts. Harvard graduate students may register to take the workshop for course credit, but it is also open to the public.

This year, the workshop is led by Petrie-Flom Faculty Director and Professor of Law [I. Glenn Cohen](#), and meets on selected Monday evenings from 5-7 PM [on the Harvard Law School campus](#). The invited presenter generally speaks for about 30 minutes, after which the floor is opened for Q&A. It is recommended to read the papers in advance. Papers will usually be posted on the [website](#) one week before they are scheduled for presentation, but occasionally are available by request only.

The spring semester workshops include:

February 22: [Tom Shakespeare](#), Norwich Medical School, University of East Anglia

Download the papers [here!](#)

March 7: [Michael Frakes](#), Northwestern Law

April 4: [Nicolas P. Terry](#), Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law

The full workshop schedule is available on our [website](#).

Other Opportunities

All opportunities are posted once in our newsletter. For the full posting and for other available positions, please visit our [website](#).

Brocher Summer Academy in Population-level Bioethics: Ethical Issues in Randomized Trials in Development Economics and Health Policy

Fondation Brocher

Application Deadline: March 11, 2016

Project Manager & Research Assistants

The Hastings Center

Application Deadline: March 13, 2016

Health Law Externship

American Health Lawyers Association

Application Deadline: April 4, 2016

18th Annual Henry K. Beecher Prize in Medical Ethics

Center for Bioethics at Harvard Medical School

Application Deadline: May 31, 2016

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