Coming Soon from the Project on Law & Applied Neuroscience!

Opiate Regulation Policies: Balancing Pain and Addiction
April 3, 2017 12:00 PM
Austin Hall, West Classroom (111), Harvard Law School, 1515 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA

The current opiate epidemic has spurred long-overdue scrutiny on the pharmaceutical production and distribution of opiate medication, but it also raises questions of public policy and law regarding the regulation of medical access to and use of opiate medications with high potential for addiction. Expert panelists will address the challenges that arise from efforts to balance restrictions on access to opiates to limit addiction while also preserving sufficient access for legitimate medical management of pain.

Don't Miss Great New Spring Events!

Critical Pathways to Improved Care for Serious Illness
March 10, 2017 12:00 PM
Wasserstein Hall, Milstein East, Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA

Join leading health care executives and experts, policymakers, and other thought leaders as they embark upon a project to develop a guiding framework for providing improved community-based care for people with serious illness. This panel discussion will report on innovations to test and replicate new ways of delivering high quality care for chronic illness, especially for an aging population with declining function and complex care needs.

Crowdfunding Medical Care: Identifying Ethical Implications
April 5, 2017 12:30 PM
Tosteson Medical Education Center Harvard Medical School, 260 Longwood Ave., Boston, MA

Crowdfunding for medical care-seeking financial contributions from a large number of donors, often via social networks, to pay medical expenses-is growing in popularity in both the US and Canada. While the practice can have tangible benefits for some
patients, it also raises challenging ethical and equity questions at the social level and for individual donors and campaigners. In this lecture, Professor Valorie Crooks will examine some of these questions, identify important directions for ethics-focused research, and discuss what we know about the medical expenses people are seeking to have covered.

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.

Scholarship from Petrie-Flom Affiliates

Mitochondrial Replacement Therapy: Unmade in the USA
by I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director) and Eli Y. Adashi
JAMA Forum, February 14, 2017

Common Rule Revisions: Impact of Public Comment, and What's Next?
by Holly Fernandez Lynch (Executive Director), I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director), and Barbara E. Bierer
The Hastings Center Blog, February 8, 2017

Advanced and end of life care: cautionary suggestions
by Frances Kamm (Senior Fellow Alumna)
Journal of Medical Ethics, February 7, 2017

A New Day For Oversight Of Human Subjects Research
by Holly Fernandez Lynch (Executive Director)
HealthAffairs Blog, February 6, 2017

Evaluating NFL Player Health and Performance: Legal and Ethical Issues
by Jessica L. Roberts, I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director), Christopher R. Deubert (Senior Law & Ethics Associate), and Holly Fernandez Lynch (Executive Director)

News from Petrie-Flom Affiliates

NFL Team Doctors: In Whose Interest?
By Nancy Benson, interviewing I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director)
Radio Health Journal, February 5, 2017
What You Don't Know About the Cost of Grandma's Prescription
By Carson Leigh Brown, quoting Rachel E. Sachs (Academic Fellow Alumna)
Pacific Standard, February 3, 2017

E&C delays vote on drug pricing bill
By Sarah Karlin-Smith, quoting Rachel E. Sachs
Politico, February 6, 2017

Trump's 'Two Out, One In' Regulatory Policy May Apply to Some FDA Guidance
By Zachary Brennan, quoting Rachel E. Sachs
Regulatory Affairs Professionals Society (RAPS), February 6, 2017

Why Did That Drug Price Increase 6,000%? It's The Law
By Matthew Herper, quoting Rachel E. Sachs
Forbes, February 10, 2017

Recent Blog Posts

General health law/policy:

- "A New Day For Oversight Of Human Subjects Research," by Holly Fernandez Lynch
- "Artificial Intelligence and Medical Liability (Part II)," by Shailin Thomas
- "Housing Equity Week in Review," by Center for Public Health Law Research
- "The High Cost of Clinical Negligence Claims," by John Tingle

Bioethics:

- "Defeating Death (And Taxes)," by Seán Finan

Health care reform/finance:

- "Watching Out for the Rights of the Uninsured," by Howell E. Jackson

Pharmaceuticals:

- "PhRMA, Marathon Is Why You Can't Have Nice Things," by Rachel Sachs

'The Week in Health Law' podcasts:

- "Rebecca Dresser on 'The Week in Health Law' Podcast," by Nicolas Terry and Frank Pasquale

Petrie-Flom Center Events

Check out our website for a more complete listing of events 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.
Yuval Noah Harari in conversation with Michael Sandel - A discussion of Harari's new book Homo Deus: A Brief History of Tomorrow

Purchase tickets here!
February 22, 2017 6:00 PM
Brattle Theater, 40 Brattle St., Cambridge, MA

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AGENDA AVAILABLE! 2017 Petrie-Flom Center Annual Conference: Transparency in Health and Health Care: Legal and Ethical Possibilities and Limits
April 28, 2017
Wasserstein Hall, Milstein East ABC (2036), Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA

Health Policy and Bioethics Consortia

Promoting Accurate and Useful Public Reporting on Physicians
March 29, 2017

Other Harvard Events

REGISTER NOW! Harvard Medical School 2017 Bioethics Conference: The Ethics of "Making Babies"
April 6 - 7, 2017
Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA

Health Law Policy & Bioethics Workshops
The 2016-2017 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 Professor 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.

Questions about the workshop should be directed to Jennifer Minnich (jminnich@law.harvard.edu).

Upcoming workshops include:

March 6: Khiara Bridges, Boston University School of Law
March 27: Kathryn Zeiler, Boston University School of Law
April 10: Leo Beletsky, Northeastern University School of Law
April 17: Judith Daar, Whittier Law School

Harvard Opportunities

Fellowship in Bioethics, 2017-2018
Harvard Medical School Center for Bioethics
Application Due: March 20, 2017

Postdoctoral Research Scholars Program in Bioethics
Harvard Medical School Center for Bioethics
Application Due: March 31, 2017

Other Opportunities

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

Call for Papers
AMA Journal of Ethics
Application Due: Various.

Call for Papers
European Pharmaceutical Law Review (EPLR)
Application Due: Various.

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