RSVP Now! Discussion and Screening of Newtown documentary

Healing in the Wake of Community Violence: Lessons from Newtown and Beyond
Panel discussion and screening of the documentary Newtown (2016)
April 18, 2017 4:00 PM screening, 5:30 PM panel discussion
Wasserstein Hall, Milstein East ABC
Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA

Join us for a film screening and panel discussion on challenges that arise from tragic acts of community violence. The event will begin with a screening of Newtown, a documentary examining the impact of the mass shooting at the Sandy Hook Elementary School in December 2012. The screening will be followed by a panel of experts in health law policy, the neurobiology of trauma, and community approaches to violence in a discussion of public health, gun violence, and responses to community trauma. Discussion will highlight the issue of "healing the helpers" - the first responders, medical staff, clergy, mental health providers, and others who respond to the needs of victims, families, and communities in the wake of community violence.

This event is free and open to the public, but to help us plan we ask that guests RSVP here.

Part of the Project on Law and Applied Neuroscience, a collaboration between the Center for Law, Brain & Behavior at Massachusetts General Hospital and the Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics at Harvard Law School. Cosponsored by William James College and the Science, Religion, and Culture Program at Harvard Divinity School.

Register Now! 2017 Petrie-Flom Annual Conference

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,
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The event is free and open to the public, but seating is limited and registration is required. Register now!

Transparency is a relatively new concept to the world of health and health care, considering that just a few short decades ago we were still in the throes of a "doctor-knows-best" model. Today, however, transparency is found on almost every short list of solutions to a variety of health policy problems, ranging from conflicts of interest to rising drug costs to promoting efficient use of health care resources, and more. Doctors are now expected to be transparent about patient diagnoses and treatment options, hospitals are expected to be transparent about error rates, insurers about policy limitations, companies about prices, researchers about data, and policymakers about priorities and rationales for health policy intervention. But a number of important legal and ethical questions remain. For example, what exactly does transparency mean in the context of health, who has a responsibility to be transparent and to whom, what legal mechanisms are there to
promote transparency, and what legal protections are needed for things like privacy, intellectual property, and the like? More specifically, when can transparency improve health and health care, and when is it likely to be nothing more than platitude?

This conference, and anticipated edited volume, will aim to: (1) identify the various thematic roles transparency has been called on to play in American health policy, and why it has emerged in these spaces; (2) understand when, where, how, and why transparency may be a useful policy tool in relation to health and health care, what it can realistically be expected to achieve, and when it is unlikely to be successful, including limits on how patients and consumers utilize information even when we have transparency; (3) assess the legal and ethical issues raised by transparency in health and health care, including obstacles and opportunities; (4) learn from comparative examples of transparency, both in other sectors and outside the United States. In sum, we hope to reach better understandings of this health policy buzzword so that transparency can be utilized as a solution to pressing health policy issues where appropriate, while recognizing its true limitations.

Check out the full agenda and list of speakers on our website!

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.

New Resources and Video Available!

Opiate Regulation Policies: Balancing Pain and Addiction
Held on April 3, 2017 at Harvard Law School
Full Video and Presentation Slides Now Online!

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 addressed 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.

Check out the full video and the presentation slides our website!

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Scholarship from Petrie-Flom Affiliates

Prohibiting sperm donor anonymity in the US and possible effects on recruitment and compensation
By Andrew Hellman and I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director)
BioNews, April 3, 2017

Scott Gottlieb’s FDA Commissioner Confirmation Hearing: Remarkably Unremarkable
By Rachel E. Sachs (Academic Fellow Alumna)
Health Affairs Blog, April 7, 2017
Institutions as an Ethical Locus of Research Prioritisation

By Luke Gelinas (Clinical Research Ethics Fellow), Holly Fernandez Lynch (Executive Director), Barbara Bierer, and I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director)

Journal of Medical Ethics, April 11, 2017

News from Petrie-Flom Affiliates

Panthers doctor: 'Turf war' keeping neurologists off NHL study group
By Rick Westhead, quoting I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director)
TSN Canada, April 7, 2017

Price doesn't satisfy Congress on appropriations
By Darius Tahir, featuring NEJM article co-authored by Rachel E. Sachs (Academic Fellow Alumna)
POLITICO, March 30, 2017

Senate will vote to overturn Planned Parenthood protections
By Dan Diamond, featuring NEJM article co-authored by Rachel E. Sachs
POLITICO, March 30, 2017

Anthem inches closer to full Obamacare exit
By Dan Diamond, featuring blog post by Rachel E. Sachs
POLITICO, March 31, 2017

ICER Weekly View 03-31-17
By Mitchell Stein, featuring blog post and NEJM article co-authored by Rachel E. Sachs
ICER, March 31, 2017

Scott Gottlieb: Conflicts surround Trump's FDA pick
By Sandee LaMotte, quoting Rachel E. Sachs
CNN, April 4, 2017

Congress and FDA nominee heap love on 'adaptive trials'
By Kelly Servick, quoting Rachel E. Sachs
Science, April 7, 2017

Death By 1,000 Cuts: How Republicans Can Still Alter Your Coverage
By Jay Hancock, quoting Rachel E. Sachs
Kaiser Health News, April 10, 2017

PFC Spotlight: Student Fellow Alumnus Matthew Baum
By Petrie-Flom Center, featuring Matthew Baum (Student Fellow Alumnus)
Petrie-Flom Center, April 13, 2017

Recent Blog Posts
General health law/policy:

- "Housing Equity Week in Review," by Center for Public Health Law Research
- "Health in All Policies: Unfunded mandate?," by Joshua Waimberg
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- "Jelly Beans, Booze and B-Vitamins," by Seán Finan

Pharmaceuticals:

- "Innovation and Intellectual Property Policies in European Research Infrastructure Consortia," by Timo Minssen

Bioethics:

- "Patenting Bioprinting Technologies in the US and Europe - The Fifth Element in the Third Dimension," by Timo Minssen
- "DTC Genetic Risk Reports Back on Market," by Kayte Spector-Bagdady and Michele Gornick

'The Week in Health Law' podcasts:

- "Craig Garthwaite on 'The Week in Health Law' Podcast," by Nicolas Terry and Frank Pasquale
- "Heather Howard on 'The Week in Health Law' Podcast," by Nicolas Terry and Frank Pasquale

Blog Symposium: Applying the Americans with Disabilities Act and Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act to the NFL Workplace

- "Medical Records and the NFL Combine," by Jessica L. Roberts

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Petrie-Flom Center Events

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Health Law Policy & Bioethics Workshops

The 2016-2017 [Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics Workshops](http://www.petrieflood.com) provide a
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:

**April 17:** Judith Daar, Whittier Law School  
*Paper available, download here!*

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### Harvard Opportunities

**Summer Internship**  
Multi-Regional Clinical Trials Center of Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard  
*Application Due: Open until filled*

**Project Manager - SMART IRB**  
The Harvard Clinical and Translational Science Center, Harvard Medical School  
*Application Due: Open until filled*

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Children's of Minnesota  
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**Bioethics Instructor or Assistant Professor**  
Division of Medical Ethics and Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, NYULMC  
*Application Due: Open until filled*

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