NEW SENIOR FELLOW IN LAW AND APPLIED NEUROSCIENCE

We're excited to announce the 2017-2018 Senior Fellow in Law and Applied Neuroscience, Francis X. Shen!

The Project on Law and Applied Neuroscience, now entering its fourth year, is a collaboration between the Massachusetts General Hospital Center for Law, Brain and Behavior (CLBB) and the Petrie-Flom Center. The collaboration includes a Senior Fellow in residence, public symposia, and a Law and Neuroscience Seminar at Harvard Law School taught by the Hon. Nancy Gertner.

Francis X. Shen, PhD, JD is the third Senior Fellow in Law and Neuroscience. He is currently an Associate Professor of Law and McKnight Presidential Fellow at the University of Minnesota; affiliated faculty at the Center for Law, Brain and Behavior at Massachusetts General Hospital; and Executive Director of Education and Outreach for the MacArthur Foundation Research Network on Law and Neuroscience. Shen received his JD from Harvard Law School, and his PhD in Government and Social Policy from Harvard.

Shen's goal during his fellowship year will be to foster the interdisciplinary dialogue on dementia and the law. The Project on Law and Applied Neuroscience will assess the utility of law's traditional approaches to capacity and undue influence in light of emerging science on the neurobiology of dementia; consider the future legal utility and ethics of new biomarkers for dementia; and begin developing new theoretical and practical frameworks for more fairly and effectively adjudicating cases in which dementia plays a role.

Please join us in welcoming Francis Shen to the Petrie-Flom Center!

Learn more about the Project on Law and Applied Neuroscience on our website.

APPLICATIONS DUE AUGUST 4!
2017-2018 Petrie-Flom Center Student Fellowship

The Student Fellowship Program is designed to support closely-mentored student research at the intersection of law and health policy, including issues of health care financing and market regulation, biotechnology and intellectual property, biomedical research, and bioethics. The program is open to all Harvard graduate students who will be enrolled at the University during the fellowship year and who are committed to undertaking a significant research project and fulfilling other program requirements. Although the fellowship is open to all graduate students, including those in one-year programs, we encourage those who are in multi-year programs to wait until after their first year to apply. Please note that the most successful research proposals will describe an idea and novel contribution, rather than simply a topic of interest. We recognize that students will be applying from a range of disciplines, which we strongly encourage; thus, we will account for a student's field and typical standards for work in their discipline when evaluating applications.
For more information on our recent fellows and their work, see our [website](#) and check out profiles of some of our past Fellows in the [PFC Spotlight](#)!

Student Fellow Alumnus [Neel Shah, MD, MPP](#) (2007-2008) is a practicing obstetrician-gynecologist at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Executive Director of the nonprofit Costs of Care, and an Assistant Professor at Harvard Medical School and the Ariadne Labs for Health Systems Innovation. He said this about the Fellowship’s key takeaways:

> There were so many but the key takeaway was primarily an amazing community of deep thinkers on the grand challenges facing healthcare. I interact frequently with many of the faculty affiliates and co-fellows that I first met through the Center -- on panels, dissertation committees, and other collaborative work. I particularly enjoy the annual conferences and was glad to contribute to the book *Nudging Health: Health Law and Behavioral Economics*, edited by Faculty Director [I. Glenn Cohen](#), Executive Director [Holly Fernandez Lynch](#), and Academic Fellow alumnus [Christopher T. Robertson](#).

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**News from Petrie-Flom Affiliates**

**Katherine Kraschel Joins Solomon Center as New Executive Director**

*Featuring Katherine Kraschel (Student Fellow Alumna)*

*Yale Law School, July 7, 2017*

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'Sperminator' Ari Nagel spreads more seed on recent Israel visit

*By Renee Ghert-Zand, quoting I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director)*

*Times of Israel, July 6, 2017*

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**Recent Blog Posts**

**General health law/policy:**

- "[Sharing Data for 21st Century Cures - Two Steps Forward. . . ](#)" by Mary A. Majumder
- "[How should we organize consent to research biobanking in the hospital?](#)" by Alena Buyx
- "[The Problematic Patchwork of State Medical Marijuana Laws - New Research](#)" by Abraham Gutman
- "[Breaking the Mold: Law and Mold Remediation after a Natural Disaster](#)" by Nicolas Wilhelm

**Healthcare reform/finance:**

- "[How to Destabilize Insurance Markets Without Really Trying](#)" by Rachel E. Sachs
- "[How the GOP Misread Public Anger over Obamacare](#)" by David Orentlicher
- "[EPSDT: The little known acronym that helped millions of children](#)" by Emma Sandoe
Pharmaceuticals:
- "How the FDA Produces Knowledge (and Is Not So Weird)," by Christopher T. Robertson

'The Week in Health Law' podcasts:
- "An All Lightning Round 'The Week in Health Law' Podcast," by Nicolas P. 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.

2017 Petrie-Flom Center Annual Open House
September 13, 2017, 5:30 PM
Wasserstein Hall, HLS Pub (1st Floor), Harvard Law School
1585 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA

Book Launch: Law, Religion, and Health in the United States
September 27, 2017, 12:00 PM
Wasserstein Hall, Milstein West A (2019), Harvard Law School
1585 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA

HLS in the World: New Technologies, New Dilemmas - Part of the HLS200 Bicentennial Celebration
October 27, 2017 4:00 PM
Room TBD, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA
Featuring panelists I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director), Judith Edersheim, Atul Gawande, Eric Lander, and moderator Carmel Shachar (Incoming Executive Director)
This event is part of the HLS in the World sessions of HLS | 200, a bicentennial summit of academic sessions and programs devoted to legal issues of pressing importance. Events are open to Harvard Law School alumni and students, and registration is required.

Book Launch: Specimen Science - Ethics and Policy Implications
November 9, 2017 12:00 PM
Room TBD, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA
Sponsored by the Harvard Law School Library, the Francis A. Countway Library of Medicine at Harvard Medical School, and the Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics at Harvard Law School.
SAVE THE DATE! Sixth Annual Health Law Year in P/Review
December 12, 2017 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Wasserstein Hall, Milstein East AB (2036), Harvard Law School
1585 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA
Sponsored by the Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics at Harvard Law School.

Harvard Opportunities

2017-2018 Petrie-Flom Center Student Fellowship
Harvard Law School
Application Due: August 4, 2017

Academic and Research Integrity Program Manager
Office for Academic and Research Integrity, Harvard Medical School
Application Due: Open until filled

Other Opportunities

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

Fulbright Visiting Research Chair in Health & Law, Policy and Ethics
University of Ottawa, Centre for Health Law, Policy and Ethics
Application Due: August 1, 2017

Public Health Fellowship in Government
American Public Health Association
Application Due: August 14, 2017

Assistant or Associate Professor
Department of Medical History and Bioethics, University of Wisconsin-Madison
Application due: November 24, 2017

Evidence for Action: Policy & Technical Assistance Specialist
University of California, San Francisco
Application Due: Open until filled

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