Check Out These Great Events Next Week!

What's Next for the ACA? A Lecture by Larry Levitt
October 3, 2017, 12:00PM
Wasserstein Hall, Room 1010 Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA

Join Larry Levitt for a talk about the future of the Affordable Care Act and health care in America.

Larry Levitt is Senior Vice President for Special Initiatives at the Kaiser Family Foundation and Senior Advisor to the President of the Foundation. Prior to joining the Foundation, he served as a Senior Health Policy Advisor to the White House and Department of Health and Human Services. He holds a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of California at Berkeley, and a master's degree in public policy from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government.

Sponsored by the Center For Health Law and Policy Innovation, the Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics and the Harvard Health Law Society at Harvard Law School.

The Cost of Medications: Current Realities and the Future of Pharmaceutical Pricing Regulations in the United States
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From "Pharma Bro" Martin Shkreli to huge price jumps for the EpiPen to the Hepatitis C treatment that costs $1000 per pill, pharmaceutical pricing is a major issue in the news and in Washington. The regular introduction of new, often expensive therapeutics as well as controversial price increases for familiar drugs attract bipartisan attention and ensure that drug costs will remain an important topic of public policy debate.

This panel of experts will discuss current laws and regulations governing pharmaceutical pricing in the United States, the impact of breakthrough therapeutics on drug pricing, and the future of drug pricing policy in the United States.

- Aaron S. Kesselheim, Associate Professor of Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital/Harvard Medical School
- Jorge Lopez, General Counsel, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
- Sabrina Yohai, Vice President, Policy, Access & Value, Vertex Pharmaceuticals

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TEDxCambridge curates one of the largest TEDx conferences in the world featuring 2,500 guests, six distinguished speakers, one exceptional performance, and a technology exhibition.

Full list of speakers:

- Glenn Cohen, Bioethics Pioneer (Faculty Director)
- Dheeraj Roy, Memory Neuroscientist
- Tsedal Neeley, Globalization Scholar
- Michael & Amy Port, Performance Experts
- Mike Boston, Truth Advocate

Video Now Available!

The Neurolaw Revolution: A lecture by Francis X. Shen

Event Held at Harvard Law School, September 13, 2017

Rapid advances in the brain sciences offer both promise and peril for the law. In light of these developments, Dr. Francis Shen explored how neuroscientific analysis of law is revolutionizing legal doctrine and practice.

Dr. Shen is the third Senior Fellow in Law and Neuroscience in 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. Dr. Shen directs the Shen Neurolaw Lab at the University of Minnesota, is co-author of the first Law and Neuroscience casebook, and serves as Executive Director of Education and Outreach for the MacArthur Foundation Research Network on Law and Neuroscience.

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.

Scholarship from Petrie-Flom Affiliates

Your Money or Your Patient's Life? Ransomware and Electronic Health Records

By I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director), Sharona Hoffman, and Eli Y. Adashi

Annals of Internal Medicine, September 19, 2017
Paternalism, reasonableness, and neutrality: a response to commentators
By Frances Kamm (former Senior Fellow)
Journal of Medical Ethics, September 2017, Vol. 43, No. 9

News from Petrie-Flom Affiliates

FDA Law SSRN Reading List - August 2017
By Erika Lietzan, highlighting work by Rachel E. Sachs (Academic Fellow Alumna)
Objective Intent Blog, September 14, 2017

The Latest Scam To Protect Sketchy Patents From Patent Office Review: Sell To Native Americans
By Mike Masnick, citing Bill of Health post by Rachel E. Sachs
Techdirt Blog, September 13, 2017

Allergan’s deal with the Mohawks raises troubling questions about the future of generics
By Ed Silverman, quoting Rachel E. Sachs
STAT, September 11, 2017

Recent Blog Posts

General health law/policy:

- "Triple Canopy and Evolving Standards of Materiality Under the Civil False Claims Act (FCA)," by Joan H. Krause
- "Five Years of Bill of Health: Student Fellow Contributions," by Petrie-Flom Center
- "The Unsustainable High Costs of Clinical Negligence Litigation in England," by John Tingle
- "The real possibility of an AIDS-free generation: HIV Prevention and the Internet," by Clíodhna Ní Chéileachair

Bioethics:

- "Precision Medicine for All? The Need for Disability Inclusion," by Maya Sabatello
- "Democratized Diagnostics: Why Medical Artificial Intelligence Needs Vetting," by Shailin Thomas
- "Understanding the Neuroscience and Philosophy of Consciousness," by Yusuf Lenfest

Pharmaceuticals:

- "The U.S. Drug Price Catastrophe and the Central Planner," by Aobo Dong
- "Orphan Drugs Designations and Approvals have Something to Say about Risks," by James Love

Health Care Reform/Finance:

- "Block Grants: Sound Theory or Doomed to Fail?," by Wendy Netter Epstein
- "ERISA and Graham-Cassidy: A Disaster in Waiting for Employee Health Benefits and for Dependents under 26 on their Parents’ Plans," by Leslie Francis
- "Special Deals for States?" by Christopher Robertson
'The Week in Health Law' podcasts:
- "Alta Charo 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 our 2017-2018 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.

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**Fourth Annual Harvard-UCLA Food Law and Policy Conference: Food Innovation and the Law - Navigating the Next Frontier**
October 13, 2017, 9:00AM
Wasserstein Hall, Milstein West AB (2019), Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, MA

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

Sponsored by the Food Law Lab at Harvard Law School and the Resnick Program for Food Law & Policy at UCLA School of Law, with support from the Animal Law & Policy Program at Harvard Law School, the Harvard Food Law and Policy Clinic at Harvard Law School, and the Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics at Harvard Law School.

Save the Date for These Other 2017-2018 PFC Events!

- **Book Launch: Specimen Science - Ethics and Policy Implications**, November 9, 2017
- **Dementia and Democracy: America's Aging Judges and Politicians**, November 15, 2017
- **Behind Bars: Ethics and Human Rights in U.S. Prisons**, November 30-December 1, 2017
- **Sixth Annual Health Law Year in Review**, December 12, 2017
Other Harvard Events

Harvard Health Law Society Mixer
October 3, 2017 7:00 PM
Student Org Room (2063), Wasserstein Hall, Harvard Law School

Health Law and Bioethics Workshop

The Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics Workshop provides 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 5-7pm on the Harvard Law School campus (room locations are noted in the individual session listings below). 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 below 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 at jminnich@law.harvard.edu.

For past workshops, please visit our Events Archive.

Upcoming workshops include:

October 2: Alicia Ely Yamin, Georgetown Law School
*Paper now available! Please contact Jennifer Minnich at jminnich@law.harvard.edu.*

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October 23: Belinda Bennett, Queensland University of Technology School of Law

October 30: Aziza Ahmed, Northeastern University School of Law

November 6: David M. Studdert, Stanford Law School

November 13: Allison K. Hoffman, University of Pennsylvania Law School

November 20: Thaddeus Mason Pope, Mitchell Hamline School of Law

November 27: Vardit Ravitsky, University of Montreal School of Public Health

December 4: Rachel E. Sachs, Washington University School of Law (St. Louis)

Health Policy and Bioethics Consortia

October Health Policy and Bioethics Consortium:
Caring for High Need Patients
October 13, 2017 12:30 PM
Room TBD, Harvard Medical School

Harvard Opportunities
Call for Abstracts: Beyond Disadvantage - Disability, Law, and Bioethics
Petrie-Flom Center at Harvard Law School
Application Due: October 15, 2017

Other Opportunities

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

Harold T. Shapiro Postdoctoral Research Associate in Bioethics
Princeton University
Application Due: November 13, 2017

Call for Papers: Second Annual Regional Health Law Works-in-Progress Retreat
Seton Hall Law School's Center for Health & Pharmaceutical Law & Policy
Application Due: November 17, 2017

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