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The Petrie-Flom Center is Hiring!

NEW POST:

The Petrie-Flom Center will hire a new Project Coordinator in connection with our work on the Regulatory Foundations, Ethics, and Law Program of Harvard Catalyst | The Harvard Clinical and Translational Center. Reporting to the Petrie-Flom Center's Executive Director and working closely with the Center's Administrative Director, Faculty Co-Directors, and other staff, the Project Coordinator will support the Center's work on the Harvard Catalyst Regulatory Foundations, Ethics, and Law Program (40% effort), as well as the Center's core administrative needs (20% effort). The position has four major areas of responsibility: (1) meeting and event support; (2) financial and compliance support; (3) other administrative support, including communications; and (4) special projects. For a full description and to apply click here. For questions, please contact petrie-flom@law.harvard.edu.

We are also hiring a Senior Law and Ethics Associate to work on the Regulatory Foundations, Ethics, and Law Program. View the full job description and apply here.

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Introducing Visiting Scholar Aziza Ahmed
The Petrie-Flom Center is pleased to welcome **Aziza Ahmed** as a visiting scholar through August 2014. Aziza joins us from the Northeastern University School of Law, where she is currently an Associate Professor. Her interests include health law, human rights, property law, international law, and development. She earned her JD at the University of California at Berkeley, and holds an MS in Population and International Health from Harvard School of Public Health.

Aziza has been an active participant in the Petrie-Flom community for some time. In November 2013 she joined our panel discussion on "Reproductive Rights around the Globe." You can check out the video [here](#).

Please join us in welcoming Aziza!

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**Scholarship & Commentary from Petrie-Flom Affiliates**

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**Would Disclosures of Conflicts of Interest Change Patients’ Decisions and, If So, Would that Make Them 'Material' Information?**

*Roy G. Spece Jr., David V. Yokum, Andrea-Gale Okoro, and Christopher T. Robertson (HLS visiting professor, Petrie-Flom affiliated faculty)*


**Abstract:** In the United States, physicians often put themselves in financial relationships that create conflicts of interest, and prior research has shown that such relationships may bias their professional decisions. However, it is not apparent that physicians routinely disclose those conflicting interests to the patients as part of the informed consent process. Nonetheless, if this information is "material" to the transactions physicians propose, then non-disclosure may be pertinent to claims of medical malpractice, informed consent (battery), and even fraud, as well as to certain professional regulations. Although prior survey research has suggested that patients want to receive such information, we do not yet know whether or how patients would use such information. Some behavioral research suggests that such disclosure mandates may even backfire, increasing patient reliance on the conflicted advice.

We fielded a randomized vignette-based experiment where 691 subjects were asked to imagine themselves facing a choice about whether to undergo a cardiac stenting procedure. We manipulated the vignettes in a 2×3 between-subjects design, where we systematically varied the appropriateness of the proposed treatment, which was described in terms of patient risk without the procedure (low or high), and manipulated the type of disclosure provided by the physician (none, standard, or enhanced). We used physician ownership of the specialty hospital where the surgery would be performed as the conflict of interest, disclosed or not, and the "enhanced" disclosure included information that such relationships have been associated with biases in prescribing behavior.

We found that the mock patients were significantly less likely to follow the cardiologist’s recommendation of surgical implantation of a drug-eluting stent when he disclosed a financial conflict of interest, regardless of whether the disclosure was standard (OR=0.65; 95% CI=0.44-0.95; p=0.03) or enhanced (OR=0.51; 95% CI=0.35-0.74; p<0.001). We found that the mock patients were more likely to choose the treatment when they faced greater risk without it (OR=1.93; 95% CI=1.41-2.64; p<0.0001). We did not, however, find a hypothesized interaction in which the disclosure would make the mock patients more discriminating about the appropriateness of the procedure.

We discuss the implications for law and policy. Contrary to prior research, the disclosure mandate did not backfire. Instead, mock patients not only want, but also seem likely to act upon, such information, which thereby...
suggests that it is material to such transactions. Arguably, therefore, physicians already have a duty under the common law to disclose the financial relationships they choose to accept. Other regulators and policymakers should recognize and clarify this duty.

Read the full paper [here](#).

**Legal Aspects of Biobanking as Key Issues for Personalized Medicine & Translational Exploitation**

*Timo Minssen (Petrie-Flom visiting scholar) and Jens Schovsbo*

**Abstract:** This perspective-article provides an overview on selected legal aspects of biobanking. It discusses these issues with a focus on public biobanks in a university setting and the specific challenges posed by personalized medicine (PM). We conclude that any decisions as to the design of the regulatory environment should follow a process that takes account of the values, hopes and concerns of all stakeholders involved. In particular, we stress the importance of a careful planning of consent obligations combining traditional legal methods with an adequate institutional set up. In order to enhance the translational exploitation of biobanks, we further emphasize the pressing need to carefully consider a great variety of strategies and policy choices relating to intellectual property rights (IPRs).

Read the full paper [here](#).

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**From the Blog**

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**Bill of Health**

Examiner the intersection of law and health care, biotech & bioethics

A blog by the Petrie-Flom Center and friends


Come join the conversation at the Bill of Health! During the last two weeks, our bloggers have been discussing:

**Health insurance, health care reform/finance:**

- Potential benefits of managed care for mental health ([here](#))
- Developments in Halbig v. Sebelius and long-term stability of the ACA ([here](#))
- Medicare stops hearing provider appeals in hopes of clearing backlog ([here](#))

**Reproductive Health/Rights:**

- Op-eds from Art Caplan regarding "life support" for brain-dead Texas woman Marlise Munoz ([here](#)) and ([here](#))

**Pharmaceuticals:**
- A review of a new charity model for redistributing unused prescription drug samples from physicians to safety-net health centers (here)
- A book review on pharmaceutical innovation, competition and patent law from Timo Minssen (here)

**Food safety and regulation:**

- An update on the recent release of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement from the USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) (here)

**Human subjects/human tissue:**

- Announcement of a new paper: "Legal aspects of biobanking as key issues for personalized medicine & translational exploitation," co-authored by Timo Minssen (here)

**General health law/policy:**

- Infrastructure as a social determinant of health in developing economies (here)
- Causation requirements in medical malpractice suits (here)

If you'd like to join us as a guest blogger or if you have something you'd like us to post, please contact Cristine Hutchison-Jones, Petrie-Flom Center Administrative Director, at chutchisonjones@law.harvard.edu.

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**Health Law Policy and Bioethics Workshops**

Upcoming presenters for the Health Law Policy and Bioethics Workshop, this year run by Professors Cohen and Robertson, include:

- February 3: Kevin Outterson, Boston University School of Law
  *PAPER NOW AVAILABLE: "New Business Models for Sustainable Antibiotics"

- February 17: I. Glenn Cohen, Harvard Law School, Petrie-Flom Center Faculty Co-Director

- March 24: Hank Greely, Center for Law and the Biosciences, Stanford Law School

- April 7: David Gamage, UC Berkeley School of Law

- April 21: Matthew J. B. Lawrence, Petrie-Flom Center Academic Fellow

All meetings will run from 5:00 to 7:00pm in Hauser 105 at the Law School. For questions and drafts of the papers being presented, contact Kaitlin Burroughs at kburroughs@law.harvard.edu.

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**Petrie-Flom Center Events**
**NEXT WEEK:**

**2nd Annual Health Law Year in P/Review**

**Friday, January 31, 2014, 9:00am to 5:00pm**

Wasserstein Hall, Milstein East C (2036), Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Ave.

Please join the Petrie-Flom Center and the New England Journal of Medicine for our second annual Health Law Year in P/Review event. This year we will welcome experts discussing major developments over the past year and what to watch out for in areas including the Affordable Care Act, medical malpractice, FDA regulatory policy, abortion, contraception, intellectual property in the life sciences industry, public health policy, and human subjects research. The full agenda is available on our website.

Attendance is free and open to the public, but space is limited and registration is required. To register, please visit our website at [http://petrieflom.law.harvard.edu/events/details/health-law-year-in-p-review](http://petrieflom.law.harvard.edu/events/details/health-law-year-in-p-review).

Contact petrie-flom@law.harvard.edu with questions.

*This event is supported by the Oswald DeN. Cammann Fund.*

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**CANCELED:**

**February Bioethics and Law Research Sessions**

**New online resources in development.**

Based on ongoing discussions with the Harvard Law School and Medical School libraries, the Petrie-Flom Center has postponed the bioethics and law research sessions that were advertised for February. Instead, we will be working with the libraries to develop new online resources, including a video training, to guide both legal and non-legal scholars in bioethics and law research.

To help us design these resources, we would appreciate it if you would answer a few questions to give us a better sense of what would be helpful to you as you learn to navigate bioethics research resources:

1. What sort of help do you need conducting bioethics, biotechnology, and health law policy research in non-legal sources? For example, do you need assistance identifying relevant journals and navigating relevant databases?
2. What sort of help do you need understanding various sources of law as they relate to bioethics, biotechnology, and health law policy issues? For example, would it be helpful to have an overview of case law, statutes, regulation, and guidance documents, and how these sources fit together?
3. What sort of help do you need conducting bioethics, biotechnology, and health law policy research within legal sources? For example, do you need assistance identifying relevant sources, crafting productive searches, etc.?
4. Do you have examples of research questions we can use as case studies?
5. What else can we do to make these resources as useful as possible?

Please send your answers to petrie-flom@law.harvard.edu.

Continue to check our website in the coming months for more information as these resources become available!

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**CANCELED:**

**Fairness in Organ Allocation: Outcomes vs. Chances**

**February 11, 2014**

Due to speaker schedule changes, this event has been canceled with no plans to reschedule. We apologize for any inconvenience, and hope that we’ll see you at one of our many other events this spring!
Patents Without Patents: Regulatory Incentives for Innovation in the Drug Industry
February 19, 2014, 12:00pm
Wasserstein Hall 1015, Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Ave.

In the pharmaceutical industry, patents are the preeminent incentive for innovation in developing new drugs. But patents aren't the whole story; regulatory agencies also offer different forms of exclusivity-enforced by the agencies themselves-to encourage different forms of innovation in the industry. This panel will discuss actual and potential roles for those rewards in the context of developing new drugs, new uses for old drugs, and new ways to make drugs, in both the United States and the European Union. Panelists include:

- **Benjamin N. Roin**, Hieken Assistant Professor in Patent Law, Harvard Law School; Faculty Co-Director, the Petrie-Flom Center
- **W. Nicholson Price II**, Academic Fellow, the Petrie-Flom Center
- **Timo Minssen**, Associate Professor, University of Copenhagen Faculty of Law; Visiting Scholar, the Petrie-Flom Center
- Moderator, **Aaron Kesselheim**, Assistant Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Director of the Program On Regulation, Therapeutics, And Law (PORTAL), Division of Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacoconomics, Department of Medicine, Brigham and Women's Hospital.

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

New Directions for Food Safety: The Food Safety Modernization Act and Beyond
February 21, 2014, 9:00am to 4:30pm
Austin Hall, Ames Courtroom (200), Harvard Law School, 1615 Massachusetts Ave.

This conference is free and open to the public, but space is limited and registration is required. For more information, including the conference agenda and registration links, please visit the conference website: [http://petrieflom.law.harvard.edu/events/details/new-directions-for-food-safety](http://petrieflom.law.harvard.edu/events/details/new-directions-for-food-safety).

Cosponsored by the Petrie-Flom Center; the Center for Health Law and Policy Innovation, Food Law and Policy Division; and the Food Law Lab at Harvard Law School, with support from the Top University Strategic Alliance at Harvard University.

Frances Kamm's Bioethical Prescriptions: Book Talk and Panel Discussion
February 27, 2014, 2:00 to 3:30pm
Wasserstein Hall 1019, Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Ave.

Please join us as we launch Professor Frances Kamm's latest book, Bioethical Prescriptions: To Create, End, Choose, and Improve Lives (Oxford University Press, January 2014). The book showcases Professor Kamm's articles on bioethics as parts of a coherent whole, with sections devoted to death and dying; early life (on conception and use of embryos, abortion, and childhood); genetics and other enhancements (on cloning and other genetic technologies); allocating scarce resources; and methodology (on the
relation of moral theory and practical ethics).

Panelists include:

- **Frances Kamm**, Littauer Professor of Philosophy & Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School of Government; Professor of Philosophy, Faculty of Arts & Sciences, Harvard University; Former Senior Fellow, Petrie-Flom Center
- **Norman Daniels**, Mary B. Saltonstall Professor of Population Ethics and Professor of Ethics and Population Health, Harvard School of Public Health
- **Thomas (Tim) Scanlon, Jr.**, Alford Professor of Natural Religion, Moral Philosophy, and Civil Polity, Faculty of Arts & Sciences, Harvard University
- Moderator: **Christopher T. Robertson**, Visiting Professor of Law, Harvard Law School; Associate Professor, James E. Rogers College of Law, University of Arizona

This event is free and open to the public. For questions, please contact petrie-flom@law.harvard.edu or 617-496-4662.

*Cosponsored by the Petrie-Flom Center, Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics at Harvard University, and the Countway Library of Medicine at Harvard Medical School. This event is supported by the Oswald DeN. Cammann Fund.*

**Mark your calendars for these additional spring events:**

- **Monday, March 3, 12:00pm**: *Hot Topics at the President's Commission on Bioethical Issues: Plus Q&A on Careers in Law and Bioethics*, with Michelle Groman, Associate Director, President's Bioethics Commission
- **Tuesday, March 11, 12:00pm**: "Evaluating the Revised Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5)." a panel discussion featuring Steven Hyman (Broad Institute), Anne Becker (HMS), and Nita Farahany (Duke Law)
- **Thursday, March 27, 12:00pm**: a panel discussion on current legal issues in HIV/AIDS work, cosponsored with Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC)
- **Wednesday, April 2, 12:00pm**: "Hot Topics in European Biopatent Law," cosponsored with the Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard
- **Friday, May 2, and Saturday, May 3**: 2014 Petrie-Flom Center Annual Conference, "Behavioral Economics, Law, and Health Policy."
- **Friday, May 20**: Conference on regulatory biostatistics, cosponsored with the Food and Drug Law Institute (FDLI).

Look for more details on these events in future editions of this newsletter, or follow us on Facebook and Twitter to receive updates as soon as they're available!

Questions? Contact petrie-flom@law.harvard.edu or 617-496-4662.

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**Other Harvard Events**
Science Lecture Series
The Ethicist’s and the Lawyer’s New Clothes: The Law and Ethics of Smart Clothes
Tuesday, February 11, 2014, 5:00pm
Sheerr Room, Fay House, 10 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA

L. Glenn Cohen RI ’13
Professor of Law
Faculty Co-director of the Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bioethics, Harvard Law School

From enhanced exosuits for members of the armed services to clothing that spies on you, this lecture will focus on legal and ethical issues pertaining to the future of smart clothes.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please visit http://www.radcliffe.harvard.edu/event/2014-i-glenn-cohen-lecture.

The smart clothes science lecture series is part of the Academic Ventures program at the Radcliffe Institute and examines the science and ethics of designing materials that improve and protect lives. A larger, one-day public symposium on the topic took place on Friday, November 15, 2013.

Illustration by Carl Wiens

The Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study at Harvard University is dedicated to creating and sharing transformative ideas across the arts, humanities, sciences, and social sciences. The Fellowship Program annually supports the work of 50 leading artists and scholars. Academic Ventures fosters collaborative research projects and sponsors lectures and conferences that engage scholars with the public. The Schlesinger Library documents the lives of American women of the past and present for the future, furthering the Institute's commitment to women, gender, and society. Learn more about the people and programs of the Radcliffe Institute at www.radcliffe.harvard.edu.

The Medical Ethics Faculty Seminar, 2013-2014
Implementation of the Affordable Care Act: Ethics and Policy

Please join the HMS Division of Medical Ethics at the Faculty Seminars led by Marcia Angell, MD:

February 21, 2014
"Consequences of the Supreme Court Decisions on the ACA"
Michelle M. Mello, JD, PhD, Professor of Law and Public Health, and Director, Program in Law and Public Health, Department of Health Policy and Management, Harvard School of Public Health

For the full 2013-2014 Medical Ethics Faculty Seminar schedule, click here.
DFCI Ethics Grand Rounds
"The Elephant in the Room: Disrespect in Health Care"
Monday, January 27, 2014, 12:00pm - 1:00pm
Smith Family Room, Dana 1620, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, 44 Binney Street, Boston

Lucian Leape, MD
Health Policy Analyst; Adjunct Professor of Health Policy
Department of Health Policy and Management
Harvard School of Public Health

The event will also be available via webcast at: http://video.dfcionline.org/accordent/Ethics012714.

NOTE: The Division of Medical Ethics at Harvard Medical School often has public programs likely to be of interest. More information is available here. The Healthcare Initiative at Harvard Business School also hosts a number of relevant events. For details, see here.

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Outside Events

2014 Yale Health Law & Policy Society Conference
Health Insurance Exchange Implementation: Early Challenges and Opportunites
Saturday, February 8, 2014, 8:30am to 5:15pm
Sterling Law Building, Yale Law School, 127 Wall Street, New Haven, CT

Yale Law School is proud to host the first Yale Health Law and Policy Society Conference. The theme of the conference is "Health Insurance Exchange Implementation: Early Challenges and Opportunities." The conference will feature keynote speaker Henry J. Aaron, Ph.D, the Bruce and Virginia MacLaury Senior Fellow in the Economic Studies program at the Brookings Institution. Additionally, other health policy and law experts from across the country will present on topics such as the history of health insurance exchanges, early successes and challenges, and how to optimally balance state and federal roles in exchange implementation and operation.

A schedule and full list of speakers is available online.

Registration: The conference is open to the Yale University community, the greater New Haven community, and all others interested in health insurance exchange implementation.

To register, please email YaleHIXConference@gmail.com with your name and affiliation.

Registration is free for Yale University and New Haven community members. For all others, the registration fee is $30, payable by check. Checks should be addressed to Yale Law School and include "YHeLPS Conference" in the memo section. Registration fees paid in advance should be mailed to Yale Law School, P.O. Box 208215, New Haven, CT 06511.

Questions? Contact YaleHIXConference@gmail.com.

For directions to Yale Law School, please see: http://www.law.yale.edu/admissions/gettinghere.htm.

For lodging options, please see: http://www.law.yale.edu/about/lodging.htm.
Opportunities at Harvard

Call for Applications: Non-Stipendiary Fellowships
Program on Science, Technology and Society, Harvard Kennedy School
Deadline: January 31, 2014

The Program on Science, Technology and Society at Harvard Kennedy School welcomes applications to its non-stipendiary pre- and postdoctoral fellowship program for AY 2014-2015. Predoctoral fellowships are most appropriate for Ph.D. students in STS or related fields who have completed their qualifying exams and have embarked on dissertation research and writing. Postdoctoral fellowships are most appropriate for recent Ph.D.’s pursuing research that would benefit from systematic exposure to STS theories and methods. The Program offers a unique collegial environment in which fellows become an integral part of the Cambridge-based STS community. Fellows meet weekly as a group to discuss each other's research, attend weekly STS Circle seminars, have the opportunity to audit Harvard graduate courses, and participate in the Program's major events. Each year's cohort includes students from varied backgrounds, cultures, and countries. We have hosted students from the US, Canada, South Korea, and several European countries (e.g., France, Germany, Italy, Norway, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom).

Non-stipendiary fellows are expected to participate in the Program for one academic year (September-May), but shorter stays of at least one semester (about three months) are also possible with appropriate justification. Fellows may stay for a maximum of two years with appropriate external support. Applicants for non-stipendiary fellowships should contact the STS Program Administrator, Shana Rabinowich, at shana_rabinowich@hks.harvard.edu, with the following information no later than January 31, 2014:

- description of research interests and reasons for seeking affiliation with the STS Program;
- supporting letter from an academic adviser evaluating the applicant's performance and standing;
- brief curriculum vitae.

For more information on the STS Program, visit http://sts.hks.harvard.edu.

Call for Postdoctoral Fellowship Applications: The Harvard Medical School/Brigham and Women's Hospital Program On Regulation, Therapeutics, And Law (PORTAL)
Deadline: February 14, 2014

The Division of Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacoeconomics at Brigham and Women's Hospital Department of Medicine and Harvard Medical School invites its 2014 round of applications for postdoctoral fellows in pharmaceutical law and health services research. Current fellows have studied FDA regulation, patents and drug access and costs, and competition in the therapeutic marketplace. Other areas of focus include intellectual property, ethics, and comparative effectiveness, as well as the development, approval, and evidence-based use of drugs, devices, vaccines, procedures, and diagnostics.

Applications are invited from researchers with doctoral degrees (J.D., M.D., Ph.D., Pharm.D., or equivalent) or who will complete such training by July 2014. Fellows will have an appointment at Harvard Medical School, receive close mentorship from faculty members in the Division, and engage in one or more projects intended to start their careers in law and public health research. Fellowship length will vary depending on the candidate (min: 1 year).

To apply, please send to akesselheim@partners.org: (1) a CV, (2) a writing sample, and (3) a cover letter
describing your past work, ideas for the kind of research you'd like to do in the fellowship, and career goals.

The Division of Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacoeconomics is a 50-member interdisciplinary research program. Our work focuses on the evaluation, regulation, outcomes, and cost-effectiveness of prescription drugs and medical devices, as well as in the development and evaluation of policies to improve use of therapeutics. Further information is at www.DrugEpi.org.

E-mail Aaron Kesselheim, M.D., J.D., M.P.H. at akesselheim@partners.org with any questions.

Brigham and Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School are Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employers; women and members of underrepresented minority groups are strongly encouraged to apply.

Call for Applications: Fellowship in Medical Ethics, Harvard Medical School Division of Medical Ethics, 2014-2015
Deadline: April 14, 2014

The Division of Medical Ethics at Harvard Medical School supports research and teaching on ethical issues in medicine, health, and healthcare policy and practice. The Fellowship in Medical Ethics is open to physicians, nurses, lawyers, social workers, and others in academic fields related to medicine or health with a serious interest in medical ethics and a wish to further their knowledge of the history, philosophical underpinnings and contemporary practice of bioethics. Fellows attend a weekly three hour seminar designed to explore a wide range of issues, including ethical theory, clinical ethics, research ethics, and selected topics in public health ethics. Most weeks there is extensive reading and a brief paper. During the year, fellows participate in the intellectual life of the Division of Medical Ethics and are eligible to participate in Harvard University courses with permission of the course instructor as well as monthly division Faculty Seminars and various public programs in medical ethics sponsored by the Division.

Fellows must have external salary support. The fellowship fee is $7,000. Most Fellows receive this support from their sponsoring institutions, and The Division of Medical Ethics will assist applicants who would like help approaching their sponsoring institutions with such a request.

Fellows are selected on the basis of their previous academic achievement and the contribution they are likely to make as researchers, clinicians, and teachers in medical ethics. Applicants should submit a curriculum vitae and a letter of not more than 750 words, describing the reasons for their interest in the Fellowship, including any particular topics or questions they are most interested in exploring. This letter is an important opportunity for applicants to tell us about themselves, their interests, and their motivations in pursuing training in medical ethics. Applicants should also provide two letters of reference and a third letter from their supervisor or key senior staff person, demonstrating institutional support for the candidate's involvement in the HMS Fellowship and likely opportunities the candidate will have to contribute to bioethics at their home institution, upon completion of the Fellowship.

Deadline for submission of application materials is April 14, 2014. Three copies of all application materials should be sent to: Dr. Mildred Solomon, Fellowship Director, c/o Helena Martins, Harvard Medical School, Division of Medical Ethics, 641 Huntington Ave, 2nd Flr, Boston, MA 02115. If you have any questions please contact Helena at helena_martins@hms.harvard.edu or 617-432-3041.

For full description and to apply click here.

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Jobs, Fellowships, and Other Opportunities
HeLEX Research Assistant position
Deadline: January 24, 2014, 12:00pm

The Centre for Health, Law and Emerging Technologies is seeking a Research Assistant to carry out literature reviews and background research for publications, presentations and reports under the direction of Dr. Jane Kaye, Director of HeLEX. You will be required to carry out background research on the law and in the fields of bioethics and medical research governance, gathering, collating and analysing material and undertaking comprehensive literature reviews. This would suit an early stage researcher who wants to gain experience of working in an active research centre in the broad area of law and emerging technologies in health.

You will possess a Masters degree or equivalent in Law, Ethics or Policy. You will have a good working knowledge of data protection law in the UK and Europe and excellent legal research skills. You will have excellent interpersonal and communication skills (both in written and spoken English) and experience of working in an interdisciplinary research team. You will also possess excellent writing skills and have experience of the steps involved in preparing a manuscript for publication. In this position you will be expected to be an active and enthusiastic member of HeLEX.

The post is offered full-time (37.5 hrs per week) for 3 years and will be based at the Old Road Campus, Headington, Oxford.
Closing date for applications is 12 noon on 24th January 2014

For further details please go to
https://www.recruit.ox.ac.uk/pls/hrsliverecruit/erg_jobspec_version_4_jobspec?p_id=111047

Director, Division of Education and Development
Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP), Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH)
Deadline: January 31, 2014

The Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP) is pleased to announce the following job vacancy within the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH), including OHRP. OHRP is actively seeking to fill a vacancy for the Director of its Division of Education and Development.

Series and Grade: Public Health Advisor, GS–0685-15

Salary Range: $124,995.00 to $157,100.00 / Per Year

Announcement numbers: HHS-OASH-DE-14-1021509; HHS-OASH-MP-14-1020472.

Who May Apply?
This is a competitive vacancy, open to all United States citizens.

Become a part of the Department that touches the lives of every American! At the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) you can give back to your community, state, and country by making a difference in the lives of Americans everywhere. It is the principal agency for protecting the health of citizens. Join HHS and help to make our world healthier, safer, and better for all Americans.

This position is located in the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office of the Secretary (OS), Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH), Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP), Division of Education and Development in Washington, DC.

The Division of Education and Development enhances the protection of human subjects in HHS-conducted or supported research by providing education to individuals involved in the human subjects research enterprise.
Specific Division functions include conference coordination, quality assessment, promotion of cooperative education and development, provision of ethical guidance and clarification, and maintenance and promulgation of educational and institutional review guidance materials.

How to apply: Depending on your status, you can apply for this position at one or the other of the following links on the USAJobs website (please copy link and paste into your browser):

HHS-OASH-DE-14-1021509:
https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/358308800
HHS-OASH-MP-14-1020472:
https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/358308900

Post-Doctorate Fellowships in Science, Ethics, and Democracy
Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics at Tel Aviv University
Deadline: February 15, 2014

The Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics at Tel Aviv University is accepting applications for its 2014-15 post-doctorate fellowship program. The Center offers grants to outstanding researchers who study the interplay between scientific and technological developments, politics, and ethics. The fellowship is open to researchers from all disciplines and fields, including humanities, social sciences, law, medicine, and bioethics.

Grant Amount: $28,000

Candidates must have a PhD from a recognized institution in Israel or abroad, and must have received their degree after February 1, 2011. Candidates with permanent positions at universities or colleges are not eligible.

Additional funding for travel for non-Israeli fellows is available.

The Research Fellows will be part of the Center's research group and will take part in the Center's activities. While in residence, the fellows are expected to dedicate their full time to research.

Applicants must submit:

- Approval indicating eligibility for a doctorate degree, or certification of the submission date of their dissertation.
- Three letters of recommendation. Preferably, at least on recommender should not belong to the academic institution where the applicant was a doctoral student.
- Summary of the dissertation and brief description of the research plan (both up to two pages).
- CV, including a list of publications (if applicable).

Deadline for submission of all application materials: February 15, 2014. Application materials should be sent by email to safracen@post.tau.ac.il.

Additional information about the Center, research fellows and activities can be found at:

Engagement Manager, Axiom, New York
No deadline posted.

Axiom, a revolution in the legal industry and one of the nation's fastest growing private companies, is seeking an Engagement Manager for our New York office.

What we’re looking for
This is a truly rare opportunity for an entrepreneurial professional with a results orientation who is looking for a
client services and business development role. Axiom has pioneered a new category of firm in the market for sophisticated legal services and is one of the fastest growing companies in the United States.

The Engagement Manager plays a critical role in ensuring both continued revenue growth and successful engagements with legal departments at Fortune 500 companies. The Engagement Manager is an integral part of the team involved in the sales cycle, driving growth and new products, providing account oversight and engaging with internal and external clients at all levels.

The Engagement Manager will

- Effectively build client relationships and oversee the day to day activities for a portfolio of clients.
- Identify new areas of opportunity with new and existing clients.
- Work with the Practice Manager and General Manager to secure new accounts and craft strategic solutions for clients’ needs.
- Support the recruiting and assessment of Axiom’s New York attorney population.
- Align Axiom attorneys with specific client engagements and manage existing engagements.
- Analyze the success metrics for each engagement.

This position is for someone who exhibits an outstanding work ethic and professionalism, and thrives in a fast-paced, high-performing environment. Our ideal candidate must possess a demonstrated ability to and interest in the growth of client relationships and developing strategic solutions for a portfolio of candidates.

Our ideal candidate

- 4 to 6 years’ sales, account management, or other business experience in a client services role with full profit/loss responsibility. This includes experience working with senior level decision makers.

Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- Keen ability to build laterally and nurture client relationships;
- Inntate ability to focus on client's needs and consistently raises the bar on service excellence;
- Capable of leading, managing & inspiring others;
- Knowledge of selling/closing and customer service techniques;
- Significant project management experience and meticulous attention to detail skills;
- Superb time management, decision-making and problem solving skills;
- Thrives in both individual and team environments;
- Expert high-impact communication and presentation skills;
- Strong leadership skills, with the ability to coach and mentor others;
- Highly proficient with the Microsoft Office suite (including PowerPoint);
- Organizational fit for the Axiom culture, that is, exhibit the core values of Irresistible, Fresh, Instinct to help, & Thoughtful;
- Legally eligible to work in the country in which the position is located.

Education

- Bachelor's degree required.

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**Summer Internships, Axiom**

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Axiom is looking for JD or JD/MBA students or post-grads interested in interning during summer 2014. Internships are available at all eleven offices around the world, including in New York. Prospective interns should be business-minded with an interest in business building and client relationship management with general counsels. Interns will not get direct legal experience.

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**Copenhagen Summer University Course Offering: Pharmaceutical Law and Policy - Hot Topics Shaping the Future of the European Pharmaceutical Industry**

Registration deadline: May 28, 2014

What are the most significant current issues shaking and shaping the pharmaceutical industry today? The business environment and legal framework relevant to the pharmaceutical industry continues to change rapidly in the face of constant challenges posed by competition, politics and technological innovation. Considering the highly lucrative and competitive nature of the industry, it is more important than ever for professionals working with legal and regulatory aspects of drug development to stay abreast of the most recent developments. This course provides a broad and practical understanding of the 'hot topics' and will present and analyse these topics from scientific, legal and policy perspectives.

The course will run August 12-16, 2014.

*This course meets the Danish requirements for compulsory supplementary training for lawyers and trainee solicitors.* [Read more here.](#)

Directed by Petrie-Flom Visiting Scholar [Timo Minssen](mailto:Timo.Minssen@harvard.edu). For further information and to register please click [here](#).
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- **Duke Master of Arts in Bioethics & Science Policy**, Deadline: March 1, 2014

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