



Next week, residents of Oregon and Washington, D.C. will vote on three ballot initiatives relating to the decriminalization of psychedelics. In the run-up to the election, *Bill of Health* is hosting a [digital symposium that looks at psychedelics decriminalization from a variety of angles](#). The symposium is guest edited by [Mason Marks](#), Fellow in Ethics of Technological and Biomedical Innovation at the Edmond J. Safra and Petrie-Flom Centers.

Our roster of November events also kicks off next week. On November 6th, we'll host "[Nudging Organ Donation](#)," a discussion of strategies to bridge the gap between supply and demand for organ transplantation, with a keynote presentation by [Professor Cass Sunstein](#). Then, on November 10th, we'll host a [roundtable discussion of IVF add-ons](#), controversial supplementary procedures offered along with the standard IVF paradigm. On November 16th, join us for [Detecting Dementia](#), a look at new technologies in neuroimaging and genetics used to identify brain changes that may predict the onset of neurodegenerative diseases. And, to round out the month's programming, we will host Mumbi Ngugi, a Judge of the High Court of Kenya, who will [discuss her work enforcing constitutional commitments to health and social equality](#). We hope to see you there.

Spotlight on Scholarship



Federal COVID-19 Response Unlawfully Blocks State Public Health Efforts

The federal government recently used preemption unlawfully to prevent state public health efforts to protect vulnerable people from COVID-19.

[Read the full article.](#)

Upcoming Events

Nudging Organ Donation: Tools to Encourage Organ Availability

DATE AND TIME

November 6, 2020 at 12:00 - 1:00 PM EST

LOCATION

ONLINE ONLY

Learn more about "Nudging Organ Donation"

IVF Add-Ons: Scientific, Ethical, Regulatory, and Legal Considerations

DATE AND TIME

November 10, 2020 at 12:00 - 1:00 PM EST

LOCATION

ONLINE ONLY

Learn more about "IVF Add-Ons"

Detecting Dementia: Technology, Access, and the Law

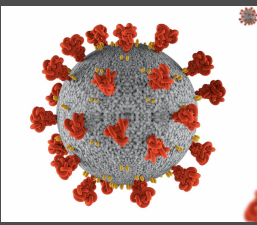
DATE AND TIME

November 16, 2020 at 12:00 - 1:00 PM EST

LOCATION

ONLINE ONLY

Learn more about "Detecting Dementia"



COVID-19 Coverage in *Bill of Health*

"How Will Health Policy Change After COVID-19?" by Abe Sutton.

"Past Anti-Vax Campaign Provides Insights for Current COVID-19 Debates," by Dorit Rubinstein Reiss.

"Federal COVID-19 Response Unlawfully Blocks State Public Health Efforts," by Barbara J. Evans and Ellen Wright Clayton.

"Deconstructing Moderna's COVID-19 Patent Pledge," by Jorge L. Contreras.

"How Does the Mexican Constitution Regulate Crisis?" by David García Sarubbi.

"COVID-19 and Women in the US Criminal Legal System," by Cynthia Golembeski, Carolyn Sufrin, Brie Williams, Precious Bedell, Sherry Glied, Ingrid Binswanger, Donna Hylton, Tyler Winkelman, and Jaimie Meyer.

"COVID-19's Impact on Clinical Trials: Meeting Participants Where They Are," by Sarah V. Ferranti and Shine Chen Schattgen.



I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director)

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NEW SCHOLARSHIP

"Ethical and Legal Implications of Remote Monitoring of Medical Devices," by I. Glenn Cohen, Sara Gerke, and Daniel B. Kramer in *The Milbank Quarterly*.

NEW COMMENTARY

"Congress Needs To Decide If Gene Editing Is Permissible For Sperm And Eggs," by Elizabeth Fernandez, featuring I. Glenn Cohen in *Forbes*.

"Institutions and Platforms," by Stephen Sachs, featuring I. Glenn Cohen in *Reason*.

"How Old Is Too Old to Be a Parent?" by Dr. Yvonne Collins, featuring I. Glenn Cohen in *BioNews*.

"Congress must clarify limits of gene-editing technologies," by Phil Ciciora, featuring Jacob S. Sherkow and I. Glenn Cohen in *IllinoisIGB*.

Alicia Ely Yamin (Senior Fellow in Global Health and Rights)

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NEW SCHOLARSHIP

"The Right to Health," by Alicia Ely Yamin in *Edward Elgar Research Handbook on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights*.

NEW COMMENTARY

"Critical Approaches To Teaching Health And Human Rights In A Pandemic," by Alicia Ely Yamin in *Stanford University Press Blog*.



Sarah Gerke (Research Fellow in Medicine, Artificial Intelligence, and Law)

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"Ethical and Legal Implications of Remote Monitoring of Medical Devices," by I. Glenn Cohen, Sara Gerke, and Daniel B. Kramer in *The Milbank Quarterly*.



Jacob S. Sherkow (Former Edmond J. Safra Center and Petrie-Flom Center Fellow in Ethics of Technology and Biomedical Innovation)

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NEW SCHOLARSHIP

"Rogues and enforcers: Reactions to the National Academies/Royal Society Report on Heritable Human Genome Editing," by Jacob S. Sherkow in *The CRISPR Journal*.

NEW COMMENTARY

"Congress must clarify limits of gene-editing technologies," by Phil Ciciora, featuring Jacob S. Sherkow and I. Glenn Cohen in *IllinoisIGB*.

"The two months in 1980 that shaped the future of biotech," by Henry T. Greely, featuring Jacob S. Sherkow in *STAT News*.



Christopher T. Robertson (Former Academic Fellow)
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NEW SCHOLARSHIP

"Keeping the Patient at the Center of Machine Learning in

"Healthcare," by Jess Findley, Andrew Woods, Christopher Robertson, and Marv Slepian in *The American Journal of Bioethics*.



Rachel Sachs (Former Academic Fellow)

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NEW COMMENTARY

"FDA approves remdesivir as first coronavirus drug," by Zachary Brennan, featuring Rachel Sachs in *Politico*.

"Progressive group highlights Trump, Tillis weakness on insulin price tags," by Aneri Pattani, featuring Rachel Sachs in *PolitiFact*.

Selected Opportunity Listings

We choose a few upcoming opportunities to feature each week. To see [the full list, check our site](#). To post your own, [get in touch!](#)



[Nanocourse Series: "Governance and Ethics of Biotechnology," Scientific Citizenship Initiative](#)



[Call for Applications: Penn Postdoctoral Training Program in the Ethical, Legal and Social Implications \(ELSI\) of Genetics and Genomics](#)



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