



The Petrie-Flom Center currently has two exciting opportunities with fast-approaching deadlines. Together with the Solomon Center for Health Law and Policy at Yale Law School, we are [looking for abstracts examining the COVID-19 pandemic from several perspectives](#), but especially focusing on its relationship with health law and policy. Accepted abstracts will be presented at an upcoming virtual conference, and may be part of a publication. The deadline for submissions is August 14th.

Also on the 14th is our [deadline for 2020-2021 Petrie-Flom Student Fellowship applications](#). The fellowship is open to all graduate students at Harvard. More information about the fellowship and application requirements can be found on the application page.

And the following week, don't miss "[Coronavirus Conversations: Ethics Of The Use Of Wearables For Early COVID Detection](#)," which the Petrie-Flom Center is co-sponsoring with Duke +DataScience and Duke Science & Society on August 20, 2020. You can find more details on that event below.

Spotlight on Scholarship



As Cities Decriminalize Psychedelics, Law Enforcement Should Step Back

Amid rising rates of depression, suicide, and substance use disorders, drug makers have

scaled back investment in mental health research. Psychedelics may fill the growing need for innovative psychiatric drugs, but federal prohibition prevents people from accessing their benefits. Nevertheless, some cities, dissatisfied with the U.S. war on drugs, are decriminalizing psychedelics.

[Read more](#)

Upcoming Events

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DATE AND TIME

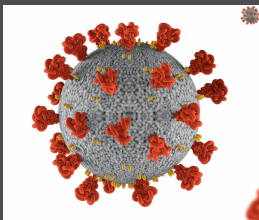
August 20, 2020 at 4:00 - 5:00 PM EDT

LOCATION

ONLINE ONLY

Learn more about "Coronavirus Conversations"

Affiliate News and Scholarship



COVID-19 Coverage in *Bill of Health*

["Arizona's Crisis Standards of Care and Fair Allocation of Resources During COVID-19,"](#) by Govind Persad.

["Value-Based Reimbursement Can Decrease Spending on Medicare During COVID-19,"](#) by Sravya Chary.

["Indiana's Mask Mandate Debate Raises Public Health Enforcement Questions,"](#) by Ross D. Silverman.

["The Challenge of Implementing Abortion Law Reform in Northern Ireland During COVID-19,"](#) by Fiona Bloomer.



I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director)

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NEW SCHOLARSHIP

["A Legislative Blueprint for the Next Pandemic,"](#) by Eli Y. Adashi and I. Glenn Cohen in *JAMA Health Forum*.

["Regulatory, Safety, and Privacy Concerns of Home Monitoring Technologies During COVID-19,"](#) by Sara Gerke, Carmel Shachar, Peter R. Chai, and I. Glenn Cohen in *Nature Medicine*.

"Maximizing Use Of Claims Data To Address COVID-19: We Need To Revisit Gobeille v. Liberty Mutual," by Carmel Shachar, Sara Gerke, and I. Glenn Cohen in *Health Affairs Blog*.

"Distance Learning Up Close," by Elaine McArdle, featuring I. Glenn Cohen in *Harvard Law Today*.



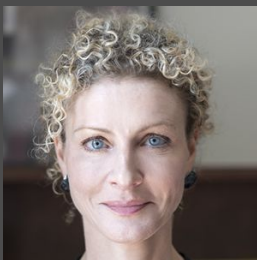
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Alicia Ely Yamin (Senior Fellow)
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NEW SCHOLARSHIP

"Democracy and Health: Situating Health Rights within a Republic of Reasons," by Alicia Ely Yamin and Tara Boghosian in *Yale Journal of Health Policy, Law, and Ethics*



Sara Gerke (Research Fellow, Medicine, Artificial Intelligence, and Law)
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"Applying the Proportionality Principle to COVID-19 Antibody Testing," by Hrefna D Gunnarsdóttir, Michael S Sinha, Sara Gerke, and Timo Minssen in *Journal of Law and Biosciences*.

"Maximizing Use Of Claims Data To Address COVID-19: We Need To Revisit Gobeille v. Liberty Mutual," by Carmel Shachar, Sara Gerke, and I. Glenn Cohen in *Health Affairs Blog*.



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

"How should policymakers use 'pull' mechanisms to improve COVID-19 innovation incentives?" by Lisa Larrimore Ouellette, Nicholson Price, Rachel Sachs, and Jacob S. Sherkow in *Written Description*.

"How should policymakers incentivize and regulate convalescent serum therapy for COVID-19?" by Jacob S. Sherkow, Lisa Larrimore Ouellette, Nicholson Price, and Rachel Sachs in *Written Description*.



Christopher Robertson (Academic Fellow Alumnus)
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NEW COMMENTARY

"We need an independent public health agency," by Christopher Robertson and Richard Carmona in *The Hill*.



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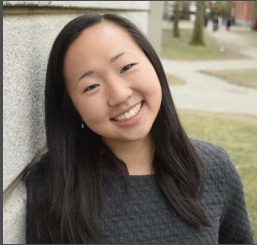
"Trump signs executive orders aimed at lowering drug

prices in largely symbolic move, by Yasmeen Abutaleb and Josh Dawsey, featuring Rachel Sachs in *The Washington Post*.

"COVID-19 Pandemic Likely To Cause US Telemedicine Boom," by Brian O'Rourke, featuring Rachel Sachs in *S&P Global Market Intelligence*.

"Trump's kinda sorta war with pharma," by Zachary Brennan and David Lim, featuring Rachel Sachs in *Politico*.

"Trump's Executive Orders on Prescription Drugs," by Lori Robertson, featuring Rachel Sachs in *FactCheck.Org*.



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NEW SCHOLARSHIP

"Transformative Models to Promote Prescription Drug Innovation and Access: A Landscape Analysis," by Phebe Hong, Aaron S. Kesselheim, and Ameet Sarpatwari in *Yale Journal of Health Policy, Law, and Ethics*.



Jonathan J. Darrow (Student Fellow Alumnus)
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NEW COMMENTARY

"Mechanical ventilators: the evidence of effectiveness," by Jonathan J. Darrow and Jing Luo in *JME Blog*.

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!](#)



Call for Abstracts: COVID-19 and the Law: Disruption, Impact, and Legacy



Call for Applications: Petrie-Flom Center Student Fellowship 2020-2021