



This week, the Petrie-Flom Center launched its newest digital symposium on the *Bill of Health* blog: [Understanding the Role of Race in Health](#).

Structural racism pervades all facets of society, from education, to housing, to law enforcement. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the health disparities that result from this systemic and structural racism.

The Petrie-Flom Center has asked leading scholars in law, public health, history, sociology, and other fields to [explore these issues in the \*Bill of Health's\* symposium](#). The focus of the symposium is to unpack how critical race theories and other strands of racial justice scholarship can inform health care, public health, and other areas of law to improve health outcomes among minorities. [Craig Konnoth](#), Associate Professor of Law and Director of the Health Law Certificate Program at the University of Colorado Law School, is the guest editor of the symposium.

We hope you'll take some time to read the latest contributions to the symposium, and we hope to see you on [Monday at our semester kick-off event, a moderated discussion about the issues at stake in the symposium](#).

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## *Spotlight on Scholarship*



## COVID-19 and the 'Essential' Yet

# Underappreciated Front-Line Health Care Worker

When considering those on the front lines of the coronavirus pandemic response, most people likely envision doctors and nurses. However, there is an often forgotten, front-line workforce comprised of orderlies, nursing facility workers, and nursing assistants (“NAs”) that earns very little money, has few protections, and is largely Black and Brown and female.

[Read the full article.](#)

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## *Upcoming Events*

### *Understanding the Role of Race in Health: A Moderated Discussion*

**DATE AND TIME**

September 21, 2020 at 12:00 - 1:00 PM EST

**LOCATION**

ONLINE ONLY

Learn more about "Understanding the Role of Race in Health"

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### *Constitutional Democracy and the Role of High Courts in Times of Crisis: The Case of Mexico*

**DATE AND TIME**

October 23, 2020 at 12:00 - 1:00 PM EST

**LOCATION**

ONLINE ONLY

Learn more about "Constitutional Democracy and the Role of High Courts in Times of Crisis: The Case of Mexico"

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### *Detecting Dementia: Technology, Access, and the Law*

**DATE AND TIME**

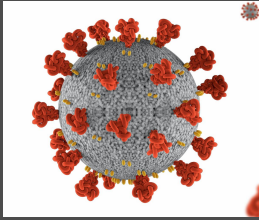
November 16, 2020 at 12:00 - 1:00 PM EST

**LOCATION**

ONLINE ONLY

Learn more about "Detecting Dementia: Technology, Access, and the Law"

## Affiliate News and Scholarship



### COVID-19 Coverage in *Bill of Health*

"COVID-19 and the 'Essential' Yet Underappreciated Front-Line Health Care Worker," by Kimani Paul-Emile.

"Concerns Mount About Rule of Law in Argentina During COVID-19," by Roberto Gargarella.

"Why a COVID-19 Vaccine Shouldn't be Mandatory," by Dorit Rubinstein Reiss and Y. Tony Yang.

"Who's to Blame for COVID-19 Outbreaks at Colleges and Universities?" by Sravya Chary.

"Why We Must Hold Nursing Homes Legally Accountable for COVID-19 Outbreaks," by Laura Karas.

"Between Gross Negligence and Genocide: Brazil's Failed Response to COVID-19," by Octávio Luiz Motta Ferraz.

"The Novel Coronavirus and Civil Rights: An Update from Chile," by Lidia Casas Becerra.

"Telehealth Policy Brought to the Fore in the COVID-19 Pandemic," by Vrushab Gowda.

"How Telehealth Can Reduce Disparities," by Jenna Becker.

"COVID-19 and Nursing Homes: The New York State Experience," by James W. Lytle.



### I. Glenn Cohen (Faculty Director)

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#### NEW SCHOLARSHIP

"June Medical Services v Russo—the Future of Abortion Access in the US," by Dov Fox, I. Glenn Cohen, and Eli Y. Adashi in *JAMA*.



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

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#### PROFESSIONAL UPDATE

Alicia Ely Yamin has been named to the Expert Working Group on Global Public Investment.

**"Book review: Human rights parables for a post-pandemic world,"** by Alicia Ely Yamin in *Lancet*.

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**Mason Marks (Edmond J. Safra Center and Petrie-Flom Center Fellow in Ethics of Technology and Biomedical Innovation)**  
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NEW COMMENTARY

**"Health Data After COVID-19: More Laws, Less Privacy,"** by Jacob Gershman, featuring Mason Marks in *The Wall Street Journal*.

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

Jacob S. Sherkow participated in a panel discussion on *Pharmaceutical Innovations: Patents and the Politics of COVID-19* on September 10, 2020 at the Center of IP Research, Indiana University Maurer School of Law.

NEW SCHOLARSHIP

**"Self-experimentation, ethics, and regulation of vaccines,"** by Christi J. Guerrini, Jacob S. Sherkow, Michelle N. Meyer, and Patricia J. Zettler in *Science*.

NEW COMMENTARY

**"What are the innovation challenges to scaling vaccine manufacturing?"** by Nicholson Price, Rachel Sachs, Jacob S. Sherkow, and Lisa Larrimore Ouellette in *Written Description*.

**"Four key takeaways from the latest CRISPR patent wars decision,"** by Adam Houldsworth, featuring Jacob S. Sherkow in *iam*.

**"The latest round in the CRISPR patent battle has an apparent victor, but the fight continues,"** by Jon Cohen, featuring Jacob S. Sherkow in *Science*.

**"Patent board delivers blow to University of California over its CRISPR invention claims,"** by Andrew Joseph, featuring Jacob



**Michelle N. Meyer (Former Academic Fellow)**  
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NEW COMMENTARY

**"What are the innovation challenges to scaling vaccine manufacturing?"** by Nicholson Price, Rachel Sachs, Jacob S. Sherkow, and Lisa Larrimore Ouellette in *Written Description*.

**"Trump Issues Expansive Order Aimed at Lowering Drug Prices,"** by Sheryl Gay Stolberg, featuring Rachel Sachs in *The New York Times*.

**"Vaccine-makers promise safety amid shaky public confidence in Covid developments,"** by Sarah Oweremohole, featuring Rachel Sachs in *Politico*.

**"We cannot allow the reporting to go on': Political pressure on CDC sparks outrage,"** by Dan Diamond and Adam Cancryn, featuring Rachel Sachs in *Politico*.

**"Drug companies seek to reassure public amid Trump vaccine push,"** by Peter Sullivan, featuring Rachel Sachs in *The Hill*.

**"Trump order on drug prices faces long road to finish line,"** by Peter Sullivan, featuring Rachel Sachs in *The Hill*.

**"COVID-19 Vaccine: Absolutely Everything You Need to**

**Know,** by Giselle Hengst and Corinne Ahrens, featuring Rachel Sachs in *Ms. Magazine*.

**"CEOs join regulators and top scientists vowing to hold the line on Covid-19 vaccine. But will that get in the way of Trump's 'big surprise'?"** by John Carroll, featuring Rachel Sachs in *Endpoints News*.

**"Addressing Sickle Cell Disease: A Strategic Plan and Blueprint for Action,"** citing Rachel Sachs, published by *National Academies Press*.



**Jonathan J. Darrow (Former Student Fellow)**  
*@JonathanDarrow*

NEW COMMENTARY

**"Challenging Patents To Promote Timely Generic Drug Entry: The Second Look Act And Other Options,"** by Liam Bendicksen, Jonathan J. Darrow, Aaron S. Kesselheim in *Health Affairs*.



**Emily Largent (Former Student Fellow)**  
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NEW SCHOLARSHIP

**"Consent to Trainee Involvement in Pediatric Care,"** by Emily A. Largent in *The New England Journal of Medicine*.

## ***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!](#)



[Clinical Ethics Fellowship Webinar: Center of Medical Ethics & Health Policy, Baylor College of Medicine](#)



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