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THE MANY FACES OF HEALTH

MARCH 19, 2021

Conference Packet

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CONFIRMED SPEAKERS

The Northeastern University Law Review invites you to participate in our annual Symposium to be held virtually on March 19, 2021. NULR is collaborating with Northeastern's Center for Public Interest, Advocacy, and Collaboration (CPIAC); Center for Health Policy and Law (CHPL); and Center for Law, Innovation and Creativity (CLIC) to host this full-day event.

This Symposium's focus was selected to reflect the ongoing pandemic, as well as the surge in awareness related to the nation's public health crisis related to systemic racism. Throughout the Symposium there will be multiple opportunities to learn from industry-experts about strategies and initiatives that can be used to solve these complex legal and social issues.

We hope you take this extraordinary opportunity to join us in this exciting and innovative event.

Symposium Editors

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Director of Medicines Law & Policy and Global Health Law Fellow University of Groningen

Ruqaiyah Yearby

Professor of Law at Saint Louis University School of Law and Executive Director and Co-Founder of the Institute for Healing Justice and Equity

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

8:30 AM

Opening Remarks & Welcome Address

8:45 AM

Keynote Speaker Introductions

9:00 AM

Keynote Address

Speaker: Daniel E. Dawes

9:45 AM

Break

10:00 AM

The Balancing Act: Intellectual Property Rights
and the Right to Access Medicine

11:15 AM

Break

11:30 AM

"Essential" to Work: Achieving a Just Workers'
Bill of Rights

1:30 PM

Racism as a Public Health Crisis: the Cradle-to-
Prison Pipeline

2:45 PM

Break

3:00 PM

Prisons, Pandemics, and Population Health

4:15 PM

Closing Remarks

Keynote Speaker: Daniel E. Dawes



Daniel E. Dawes, J.D. a widely respected scholar, researcher, educator, and leader in the health equity, health reform, and mental health movements, is director of the Satcher Health Leadership Institute at Morehouse School of Medicine in Atlanta, Georgia and a professor of health law, policy and management. He is also the co-founder of the Health Equity Leadership and Exchange Network (HELEN), which is a nationwide network of over 2000 governmental and non-governmental leaders, researchers, and scholars focused on bolstering leadership and the exchange of research, information, and solutions to advance evidence-based health equity-focused policies and programs.

Dawes's research focuses on the determinants or drivers of health inequities among under-resourced, vulnerable, and marginalized communities and is the pioneer of a new approach to examining inequities, the political determinants of health. He brings a forward-thinking, inclusive, and multidisciplinary approach to health policy, authoring two groundbreaking books, *150 Years of ObamaCare* and *The Political Determinants of Health*, published by Johns Hopkins University Press, which have received critical acclaim and rave reviews.

Dawes is an elected fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine, and serves or served on several boards, commissions, and councils focused on improving health outcomes and elevating health equity in the United States and around the world, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Federal Advisory Committee on Health Disparities, the National Center for Civil and Human Rights - Health and Human Rights Institute Advisory Committee, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Policies for Action National Advisory Committee, the National Football League/National Football League Players Association's National Committee on the Racial Disparities of COVID-19, the National Medical Fellowships Primary Care Leadership Program's National Advisory Committee, the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health National Advisory Council, the Healthcare Georgia Foundation Board of Directors, the Alliance for Strong Families and Communities Board of Directors, the National League of Cities National Advisory Board, the CDC Foundation's Community COVID Coalition Advisory Group, and the Children's Mental Health Network National Advisory Council.

He is the recipient of several national awards and recognition, including the American Public Health Association's Award for Significant Contribution to Public Health, the American Psychological Association's Exceptional Leadership in Advocacy Award, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Health Equity Champion Award, the National Medical Association's Louis Stokes Health Advocacy Award, Families USA Health Equity Advocate Award, the NMQF Minority Health Leader Award, Presented the Key to the City of St. Petersburg, Florida for national leadership advancing health equity, the Gift of Life MOTTEP Healthcare Vanguard Award, and the Caribbean Exploratory Research Center of Excellence Service Award.

The Balancing Act: Intellectual Property Rights and the Right to Access Medicine

Description: Intellectual Property Rights were developed in order to help foster creativity and innovation. In the midst of a global health pandemic, innovation and creativity is needed in order to mitigate the global spread of disease. As of January 1, 2021, there are two vaccines - the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna - approved for emergency use in the United States and approved for use in Canada. However, also in the midst of a global pandemic is the need for medicine to be provided to the population as a whole without delay or undue hardship. This creates a natural conflict that we must balance. This panel seeks to examine what can we learn from the crises around the skyrocketing prices of insulin and epinephrin injectors (e.g. Epi-Pens) to figure out how do we balance the need for innovation with getting products and medicine to the people that need it?

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"Essential" to Work: Achieving a Just Workers' Bill of Rights

Description: The pandemic has brought to the forefront and exacerbated a number of disparities in the labor force, including employment disparities. There are "essential" essential workers, who have been rewarded with higher pay, better job stability, and better benefits (e.g. doctors, nurses, and lawyers); and there are "non-essential" essential workers (e.g. grocery store clerks, janitorial staff, Uber/Lyft drivers, non-managerial restaurant staff) that are essential to the company's success yet are not rewarded in the same way with compensation and societal standing. These "non-essential" essential workers are also largely people of color and individuals from low-income backgrounds. This panel will explore the difference between these two types of "essential" workers and what it would take for them to be justly treated in the American labor force.

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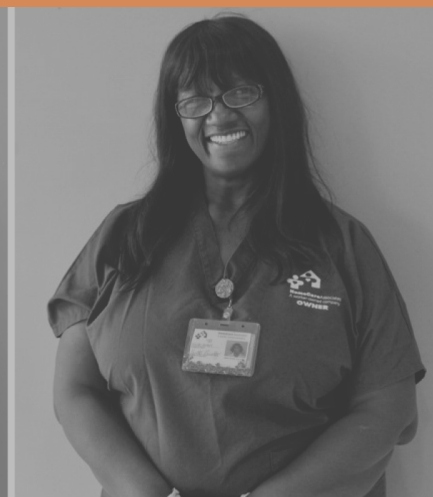
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Racism as a Public Health Crisis: the Cradle-to-Prison Pipeline

Description: Structural racism has been demonstrated to drive racialized health disparities. Its manifestations in health care and public health systems, as well as other public institutions, such as housing, additionally contribute to the criminalization of Communities of Color. This panel will explore racism as a public health issue, with a particular focus on the systems that contribute to the Cradle-to-Prison Pipeline, as well as on jails and prisons themselves.

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Prisons, Pandemics, and Population Health

Description: Incarcerated persons already receive disproportionately less or negative health care and treatment than non-incarcerated persons and the COVID-19 pandemic has only reinforced these norms. We will examine what policymakers can do to change these current trends and how the criminal justice and legal systems foster these issues. This panel seeks to answer the questions how are prisons observing and/or enforcing public health mandates related to COVID; how has COVID exacerbated health issues and health disparities already seen in prisons; and are there laws and policies that can be used to address these issues and what does that look like?

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CANCELLATION POLICY

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ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION

Accessibility information: We aim to host events that would enable individuals of all abilities to participate fully and equally. If you require an accommodations, please contact the Symposium Editors at symposium.nulr@northeastern.edu. Requests should be made by March 5, 2021 to guarantee accommodations at the event.

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