

Greetings everyone,

It is time to “fall back” as Daylight Savings Time ends this weekend. Please remember to set your clocks back one hour on Saturday evening before you go to bed!

Thank you for your continued support of the Research Theme in Health Equity & Translational Social Science (HETSS) at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. There are some special announcements below:

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HETSS SEMINAR SERIES

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From supervised consumption to safe supply: Addressing the overdose crisis among structurally vulnerable people who use drugs



Ryan McNeil, PhD

Associate Professor, Internal Medicine & Public
Health, Yale University

Director of Harm Reduction Research, Yale
Program in Addiction Medicine

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Friday, September 9th at 1:00pm – 2:00pm PT

Free Zoom webinar. Registration required.

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Drawing on a ten-year program of community-engaged qualitative and ethnographic research in Vancouver, Canada's Downtown Eastside neighborhood, Ryan McNeil, PhD, from Yale University, will examine social-structural dynamics shaping the implementation and effectiveness of established and emerging responses to the evolving overdose crisis and their transferability to the United States.

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Survival Pending Revolution: Another Look at the Black Panther Party's Health Programs



Robyn C. Spencer, PhD

Associate Professor of History, Lehman College, CUNY

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Friday, September 23rd at 1:00pm – 2:00pm PT

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As one of the leading organizations of the Black Power Movement, the Black Panther Party has become well known for its militant stances, international impact and community programs. The Panther's legacy on health issues ranges from broadening understandings of medical racism, to reconceptualization of theories of holistic health, to public policy. Robyn Spencer, PhD, from Lehman College, CUNY, will consider the Panther's impact on the politics of health in the 1960 and examine how the Panthers theorized health and wellness and the organizing strategies and grassroots mobilization that resulted in the Panthers network of health clinics.

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Bounding and Scaling: Allocating Psychiatric Care in France and the United States



Alex V. Barnard, Ph.D., M.Phil

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology,
New York University

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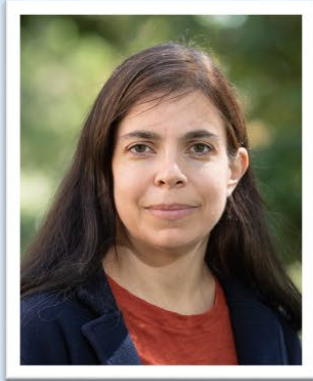
Modern mental health systems face simultaneous pressures to expand treatment to new populations (often referred to as “medicalization”) and to control costs (through techniques of “rationalization”). Alex Barnard, PhD, Assistant Professor of Sociology at NYU, will compare how these trends shape who receives treatment in the public mental health system in France and the United States, drawing on ethnographic observations of a clinic in Paris and California, over three-hundred-fifty qualitative interviews, and archival materials. In France, clinicians resist pressures to both expand and economize care through “bounding”: they rely on professional judgment to draw boundaries around a small group of “really mentally ill” persons, in ways that exclude people with mere “psychic troubles” from care. In the U.S., clinicians embrace both medicalization and rationalization through “scaling”: classifying a wide range of behaviors as pathological, using rankings and counts. Prof. Barnard argues that this “bounding” and “scaling” represent two different underlying conceptions of what mental health systems are actually treating (people versus behaviors) and what kinds of categories can be used to evaluate it. This approach shows how distinctive national cultures and the historical development of mental health systems shape decision-making on the ground.

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RECORDING COMING SOON

Structural Competency Discourse, Epistemic Justice and the Cultural Politics of Identity: Hard Questions



Nev Jones PhD (she/her)

Assistant Professor, School of Social Work
Affiliate Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry,
University of Pittsburgh

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Friday, November 4 at 1:00pm – 2:00pm PT

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Structural competency, as both a framework and a movement, has helped initiate important conversations within medicine, including the much-needed centering of structural racism. At the same time, structural competency discourse has arguably both opened up and shut down (or side-stepped) other important challenges to psychiatry (and medicine), including concerns about ongoing biomedical framing (even when social and structural determinants are endorsed), alternative patient/service user identities (or refusals of particular identities), and epistemic injustice. Dr. Nev Jones from University of Pittsburgh will explore the directions structural competency writings and pedagogical projects have and have not taken (so far). A Q&A discussion to follow with UCLA faculty Dr. Helena Hansen, Professor and Interim Chair, Department of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences, and Dr. Ippolytos "Ippy" Kalofonos, Assistant Professor, Center for Social Medicine and Humanities.

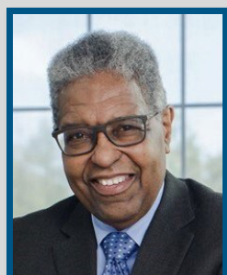
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THE LANCET HEALTH JUSTICE SEMINAR SERIES

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Reparations & Health

*Presented by the Health Justice Seminar Series of
The Lancet Commission on US Public Policy and Health*



William "Sandy" Darity Jr., PhD



Kayty Himmelstein, MD



Claudia Fegan, MD

Please join us for a timely webinar on Thursday, September 15 at 11-12pm PT/ 2-3pm ET. William "Sandy" Darity Jr., PhD, Distinguished Professor of Public Policy, Duke University, Kayty Himmelstein, MD, Infectious Disease Fellow, Harvard Medical School, and Claudia Fegan, MD, Chief Medical Officer, Cook County Health, will discuss the moral and economic case for reparations, their estimated impact on life expectancy, and the under-resourcing of Black-serving hospitals.

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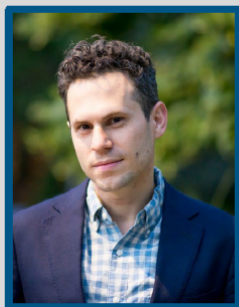
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Supreme Court v. Americans' Health

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The Lancet Commission on US Public Policy and Health*



Adam Gaffney, MD, MPH



Nikolas Bowie, JD, PhD



Linda Prine, MD

Please join us for a webinar on Thursday, October 20 at 11am-12pm PT/ 2-3pm ET.

Adam Gaffney, MD, MPH, Assistant Professor in Medicine, Harvard Medical School; Nikolas Bowie, JD, PhD, Louis D. Brandeis Professor of Law, Harvard Law School; and Linda Prine, MD, reproductive rights activist and Professor of Family and Community Medicine, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, will discuss the impact of recent Supreme Court rulings on health in America. Moderated by Robert Rock, MD, Fellow, National Clinician Scholars Program, Yale School of Medicine.

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Post-Election Review: What Happens Now to Americans' Health?

Presented by the Health Justice Seminar Series of The Lancet Commission on US Public Policy and Health



Jacob Grumbach, PhD



Stella Safo, MD, MPH



Robert Weissman, JD

Please join us for a webinar on Thursday, November 17 at 11am-12pm PT/ 2-3pm ET. Jacob M. Grumbach, PhD, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Washington; Stella Safo, MD, MPH, HIV Primary Care Physician, Mt. Sinai, and Founder, CEO Just Equity for Health; and Robert Weissman, JD, President of Public Citizen, will discuss the implications of the midterm elections for health in America. Moderated by Nichole Roxas, MD, MPH, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellow, UCLA.

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FUNDING & RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

UC Opportunity

- [UCLA Center for the Advancement of Teaching: Instructional Improvement Grant Program](#) due 11/10/22
- [University of California: UC-Hispanic Serving Institutions Doctoral Diversity Initiative](#) due 11/14/22
- [UCLA Easton Technology Management Center: Cross-Campus Innovation Challenge – Sustainability Track](#) due 2/3/23
- [California Breast Cancer Research Program – Community Research Collaboration Awards](#) due 3/2/23

California Grants

- [Proposition 64 Public Health and Safety Grant Program](#) due 12/2/22
 - The purpose of this grant program is to fund projects that assist with law enforcement efforts, fire protection efforts, or other local projects addressing public health and safety associated with the implementation of the Control, Regulate and Tax Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA).
- [2022-23 Domestic Violence Assistance \(DV\) Program RFP](#) due 12/8/22
 - The purpose of the Program is to provide comprehensive support, including emergency shelter, to domestic violence victims/survivors and their children and to provide support for the development and establishment of domestic violence services to unserved and underserved populations. This specific RFP is soliciting proposals to provide culturally specific services (i.e., culturally relevant, and linguistically specific).
- [Veterans Support to Self-Reliance Pilot Grant Program](#) due 12/9/22
 - The California Department of Veterans Affairs is announcing the availability of up to \$20 million in competitive grants to provide enhanced supportive services for veteran seniors aged 55+, veterans who are high acuity, and veterans who receive assistance or have been assisted through HUD-VASH. Pilot Grants are intended to support Pilot Grantees throughout a three-year observational and reporting period.
- [2022 Domestic Violence Mobile Health Care Services \(FO\) Program RFP](#) due 12/23/22
 - The purpose of the Program is to provide domestic violence victims/survivors and their children access to COVID-19 testing, vaccines, and primary health care through weekly mobile health care visits. To ensure all areas of California are reached, Cal OES is allocating funding to the forty-eight counties not currently served through the Program (identified on Attachment A).

NIH Opportunities

- [HEAL Initiative: Research Studies to Develop and Implement Interventions to Prevent Opioid Misuse in Community Health Centers \(R61/R33 Clinical Trial Required\)](#)
 - RFA-DA-23-048; Deadline November 8, 2022
- [Global Implementation Science for Equitable Cancer Control \(GlobalISE Cancer Control, U54 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - RFA-CA-22-019; Deadline November 8, 2022
- [Understanding and Addressing Misinformation among Populations that Experience Health Disparities \(R01 - Clinical Trials Optional\)](#)
 - RFA-MD-22-008; Deadline November 13, 2022
- [Registry of Medical Cannabis Use and Health Outcomes \(UM1 - Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - RFA-DA-23-011; Deadline November 15, 2022
- [Interventions that Address Structural Racism to Reduce Kidney Health Disparities - \(U01 - Clinical Trial Required\)](#)
 - RFA-DK-22-014; See also RFA-DK-22-015; Deadline November 17, 2022
- [HEAL Initiative: Prevention and Management of Chronic Pain in Rural Populations \(UG3/UH3, Clinical Trials Required\)](#)
 - RFA-NR-23-001; Deadline November 21, 2022

- [NICHD Global Network for Women's and Children's Health Research: Research Units \(UG1 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - RFA-HD-23-008; Deadline November 29, 2022 (Limited Submission Opportunity)
- [NICHD Global Network for Women's and Children's Health Research: Data Coordinating Center \(U24 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - RFA-HD-23-009; Deadline November 29, 2022 (Limited Submission Opportunity)
- [Contraceptive Development Research Center \(P50 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - RFA-HD-23-029; Deadline December 1, 2022
- [Interventions for Stigma Reduction to Improve HIV/AIDS Prevention, Treatment and Care in Low- and Middle-Income Countries - AIDS application \(R01 - Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - PAR-21-344; Deadline December 20, 2022
- [Multidisciplinary Approaches to HIV-Associated Comorbidities and Prioritizing Intervention Targets - AIDS Application \(R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
 - PAR-21-027; Deadline January 7, 2023
- [Collaborative Program Grant for Multidisciplinary Teams \(RM1 – Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - PAR-20-103; Deadline January 27, 2023 (Limited Submission Opportunity)
- [Addressing Health Disparities among Immigrant Populations through Effective Interventions \(R01 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - PAR-21-081; See also PAR-21-080; Deadline February 5, 2023
- [NCI Mentored Research Scientist Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K01 Clinical Trial Required\)](#)
 - PAR-21-296; Deadline November 12, 2024
- [Patient-Clinician Relationship: Improving Health Outcomes in Populations that Experience Health Care Disparities \(R01 Clinical Trial Optional\)](#)
 - PAR-22-064; Deadline January 07, 2025
- [NCI Mentored Research Scientist Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K01 Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
 - PAR-21-295; Deadline [Standard Dates apply](#)
- [NCI Mentored Clinical Scientist Research Career Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K08 Clinical Trial Required\)](#)
 - PAR-21-299; Deadline [Standard Dates apply](#)
 - See also PAR-21-300 ([K08 - Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed](#))
- [NCI Transition Career Development Award to Promote Diversity \(K22 Independent Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
 - PAR-21-301; Deadline [Standard Dates apply](#)
 - See also PAR-21-302 ([K22 Clinical Trial Required](#))
- [Measures and Methods to Advance Research on Minority Health and Health Disparities-Related Constructs \(R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed\)](#)
 - PAR-22-072; Multiple dates, see announcement.

Non-Federal Funding Opportunities

- American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
 - [Distinguished Investigator Innovation Grants](#) Deadline 11/15/2022
- Harvard University
 - [Commonwealth Fund Fellowship in Minority Health Policy](#) Deadline 12/1/2022
- American Association of University Women
 - [Selected Professions Fellowships](#) Deadline 12/1/2022
- Burroughs Wellcome Fund
 - [Next Gen Pregnancy Initiative](#) Deadline 12/1/2022
- Graduate Fellowships for STEM Diversity
 - [Graduate Fellowships in Physical Sciences](#) Deadline 12/15/2022
- Klingenstein Philanthropies
 - [Addressing Transformation of Mental Health Care](#) Deadline 1/13/2023
- American Heart Association
 - [Research Supplement to Promote Diversity in Science](#) Deadline 2/1/2023
- National Science Foundation
 - [Integrative Strategies for Understanding Neural and Cognitive Systems](#) Deadline 12/15/2022
 - [Advancing Informal STEM Learning](#) Deadline 1/11/2023
 - [Racial Equity in STEM Education](#) Deadline 1/17/2023
 - [Smart and Connected Communities](#) Deadline 4/1/2024

HETSS SPOTLIGHT

Health Equity & Translational Social
Sciences Research Theme Spotlight



Cynthia Davis, MPH, DHL



Cynthia Davis teaches in the Urban MPH Program at Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science. From 1981 to 1983, she served as a Research Assistant with the National Hospice Study and was recruited to work at Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science in 1984, directing a teen pregnancy prevention program targeting at risk racial/ethnic minority youth residing in South Los Angeles County. In 1986, she was recruited to direct the federally CDC funded National HIV/AIDS Information and Education Project, a national HIV/AIDS education and primary prevention project targeting elected and appointed African American officials from throughout the U.S.; she directed this national program from 1986 to 1992. She developed the first dedicated HIV mobile testing and community outreach project in Los Angeles County in 1991 and she served as Co-Investigator, from 2001 to 2006, on the HRSA funded National SPNS Project. She joined the Board of Directors of AIDS Healthcare Foundation in 1988, formerly the AIDS Hospice Foundation, which is the largest non-profit AIDS Service Organization in the world, serving over 1.6 million clients globally. She actively is engaged in community service and research projects for the university and in 2017, the Cynthia Davis Lifelong Learning Institute for Community Transformation was named in her honor by the College of Science and Health at Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science.

INTERVIEW HIGHLIGHTS

Preventative Primary Care & Pandemics

"I've had to respond to two pandemics in my career; HIV/AIDS in the mid-1980s and COVID-19 in the 2000s. In both instances, we're dealing with disease conditions which are 100% preventable. However, due to structural and institutional racism, lack of access to primary healthcare and other social determinants of health, BIPOC communities, especially African-American and Latino populations, tend to experience health disparities disproportionate to their representation in the general U.S. population. Many of these health disparities could be lessened if people were more knowledgeable about social determinants of health as well as if they were empowered with adequate resources to lead healthier lives, such as having access to a medical home where they could be seen by a primary care physician on a regular basis."

Reducing Barriers to Care

"What I've been able to do during my 38-year career at Charles R. Drew University (CDU) is decrease some of the barriers to accessing healthcare as well as being able to proactively facilitate making primary healthcare services directly available to medically under-resourced communities utilizing a model of "mobile" community outreach; going to the community instead of waiting to have the community come to us. This was especially true with the COVID-19 pandemic where there was a lot of apprehension, misinformation and "vaccine hesitancy" within communities of color which had a lot to do with the history of unethical medical and/or research abuses that occurred in this country where racial and ethnic minority populations were utilized in medical and research-related experimentation for many decades. The U.S. PHS Tuskegee Syphilis Experiment is a prime example. As a result, many individuals residing in the African American community have for years been suspicious of community outreach efforts spearheaded by local health departments and/or researchers as well as have been hesitant to being engaged in clinical trials due to their knowledge of the Tuskegee Syphilis Experiment. When CDU was made aware of the pending availability COVID-19 vaccines and knowing that many individuals in BIPOC communities were hesitant to access COVID-19 vaccines, we had already established a COVID-19 task force at the university early on in the COVID-19 pandemic composed of CDU faculty, local public and private sector providers, policy makers, and consumers whose goal was to come together as a community in order to strategize what we could do address health inequities equated with COVID-19 vaccine uptake. We were very successful in creating culturally and linguistically appropriate educational programming and community outreach campaigns to dispel COVID-19 misinformation and to encourage BIPOC communities to get vaccinated and boosted."

What message would you broadcast to the world?

"One person can make a difference. I'm a shining example of that. The power of one is significant. Look at the difference that Martin Luther King Jr. made, and that Mother Teresa, Malcolm X, and John Kennedy made. You should have enough belief in yourself that you can make a difference in the world, that you can change the world, and you should not ever give up on your dreams."