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### **CURRENT APPOINTMENTS**

**Assistant Professor of Global Health Policy**, Department of Public Policy, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

**Adjunct Assistant Professor of Health Policy**, Department of Health Policy and Management, Gillings School of Global Public Health, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

### **EDUCATION**

**Columbia University**, Ph.D., Sociomedical Sciences, October 2009

- Concentration and Qualifying Exams in Comparative Political Science and Public Health

**Cornell Law School**, J.D., *cum laude*, May 2001

- Concentration in Public Law

**Université de Paris I and Cornell Law School**, LL.M., International and Comparative Law, *cum laude*, May 2001

- Concentration in Human Rights
- Institute of International and Comparative Law—Paris, France

**Cornell University**, B.A., Biochemistry, *graduate with distinction*, May 1998

### **FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

- Faculty Fellow, Institute for Global Health and Infectious Disease, University of North Carolina, 2009-present
- Faculty Fellow, UNC Center for AIDS Research, 2009-present
- Scholar, O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, Georgetown University Law Center, 2008-present
- National Science Foundation/Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship-International Development and Globalization Fellow, 2005-2009
- Columbia University Earth Institute Travel Award, 2008
- Jack Elinson Award for Writing Excellence, 2005, 2007
- Presidential Award for Outstanding Teaching by a Graduate Student—Finalist, 2006
- Legacy Foundation Doctoral Fellow, 2003-2005
- Freeman Award for Civil and Human Rights, 2001
- Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, 2000
  - First Place—Central Regional Tournament
  - First Place—Dillard Memorial Competition

**PEER-REVIEWED  
PUBLICATIONS**

**Benjamin Mason Meier & Ashley M. Fox**, *International Obligations through Collective Rights: Moving from Foreign Health Assistance to Global Health Governance*, HEALTH & HUMAN RIGHTS (forthcoming 2010).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, Lance Gable, Jocelyn E. Getgen & Leslie London, *Rights Based Approaches to Public Health Systems*, in RIGHTS BASED APPROACHES TO PUBLIC HEALTH (Elvira Beracochea et al. eds, forthcoming 2010).

Anja Rudiger & **Benjamin Mason Meier**, *A Rights-Based Approach to Health Care Reform*, in RIGHTS BASED APPROACHES TO PUBLIC HEALTH (Elvira Beracochea et al. eds, forthcoming 2010).

**Benjamin Mason Meier & Miriam Labbok**, *From the Bottle to the Grave: Realizing a Human Right to Breastfeeding through Global Health Policy*, CASE WESTERN RESERVE LAW REVIEW (forthcoming 2010).

**Benjamin Mason Meier & Lisa Forman**, Letters, *From Conception to Realization: A Human Right to Health*, HASTINGS CENTER REPORTS (2010).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, *Global Health Governance and the Contentious Politics of Human Rights: Mainstreaming the Right to Health for Public Health Advancement*, 46 STANFORD JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 1-50 (2010).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, *The World Health Organization, Human Rights, and the Failure to Achieve Health for All*, in GLOBAL HEALTH AND HUMAN RIGHTS (John Harrington & Maria Stuttaford eds., Routledge: London, England, 2010).

Jocelyn E. Getgen & **Benjamin Mason Meier**, Correspondence, *Ratification of Human Rights Treaties: The Beginning, Not the End*, 374 LANCET 447-448 (2009).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, James G. Hodge, Jr. & Kristine M. Gebbie, *Transitions in State Public Health Law: Comparative Analysis of State Public Health Law Reform Efforts Following the Turning Point Model State Public Health Act*, 99 AMERICAN JOURNAL OF PUBLIC HEALTH 423-430 (2009).

Ashley M. Fox & **Benjamin Mason Meier**, *Health as Freedom: Addressing Social Determinants of Global Health Inequities through the Human Right to Development*, 23 BIOETHICS 112-122 (2009).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, Jacqueline Merrill & Kristine M. Gebbie, *Modernizing State Public Health Enabling Statutes to Reflect the Mission and Essential Services of Public Health*, 15 JOURNAL OF PUBLIC HEALTH MANAGEMENT & PRACTICE 284-291 (2009).

Jacqueline Merrill, **Benjamin Mason Meier**, Jonathan Keeling, Haomiao Jia, & Kristine M. Gebbie, *Examination of the Relationship Between Public Health Statute Modernization and Local Public Health System Performance*, 15 JOURNAL OF PUBLIC HEALTH MANAGEMENT & PRACTICE 292-298 (2009).

Reilly Anne Dempsey & **Benjamin Mason Meier**, *Going Negative: How Reproductive Rights Discourse Has Changed from a Positive to a Negative Rights Framework in Support of 'Women's Rights'*, in WOMEN'S GLOBAL HEALTH AND HUMAN RIGHTS 83-96 (Padmini Murthy & Clyde Lanford Smith eds., Jones and Bartlett: Sudbury, Massachusetts, 2009).

**Benjamin Mason Meier** & Ashley M. Fox, *Development as Health: Employing the Collective Right to Development to Achieve the Goals of the Individual Right to Health*, 30 HUMAN RIGHTS QUARTERLY 259-355 (2008).

Annalijn Conklin & **Benjamin Mason Meier**, *A 'Vector of Rights' Approach to Public Health: Towards an Intersectional Human Rights Framework for Considering the Prevention and Treatment of Harms to Girl Child Soldiers*, AUSTRALIAN JOURNAL OF HUMAN RIGHTS 65-98 (2008).

Kristine M. Gebbie, **Benjamin Mason Meier**, Suzanne Bakken, Olveen Carrasquillo, Allan Formicola, Sally W. Aboelela, Sherry Glied & Elaine Larson, *Training for Interdisciplinary Health Research: Defining the Required Competencies*, 37 JOURNAL OF ALLIED HEALTH 65-70 (2008).

Lance Gable & **Benjamin Mason Meier**, *Public Health Powers Serve as Protection, Not Enforcement*, AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION, GET READY BLOG, February 29, 2008, available at [http://www.getreadyforflu.org/pg\\_commentary.htm](http://www.getreadyforflu.org/pg_commentary.htm).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, James G. Hodge, Jr. & Kristine M. Gebbie, *Alaska Public Health Law Reform*, 33 JOURNAL OF HEALTH POLITICS, POLICY & LAW 281-293 (2008).

Kristine M. Gebbie, James G. Hodge, Jr., **Benjamin Mason Meier**, Drue H. Barrett, Priscilla Keith, Denise Koo, Patricia M. Sweeney, & Patricia Winget, *Improving Competencies for Public Health Legal Preparedness*, 36 JOURNAL OF LAW, MEDICINE & ETHICS 52-56 (2008).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, *Advancing Health Rights in a Globalized World: Responding to Globalization Through a Collective Human Right to Public Health*, 35 JOURNAL OF LAW, MEDICINE & ETHICS 545-555 (2007).

Susan M. Allan, **Benjamin Mason Meier**, Joan Miles, Gregg Underheim, and Anne C. Haddix, *Why and How States Are Updating Their Public Health Laws*, 35 (supp.) JOURNAL OF LAW, MEDICINE & ETHICS 39-42 (2007).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, James G. Hodge, Jr. & Kristine M. Gebbie, *Contrasting Experiences of State Public Health Law Reform Pursuant to the Turning Point Model State Public Health Act*, 122 PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS 559-563 (2007).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, *Employing Health Rights for Global Justice: The Promise of Public Health in Response to the Insalubrious Ramifications of Globalization*, 39 CORNELL INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL 711-778 (2006).

**Benjamin Mason Meier & Donna Shelley**, *The Fourth Pillar of the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control: Harm Reduction and the International Human Right to Health*, 121 PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS 494-500 (2006).

**Benjamin Mason Meier & Larisa M. Mori**, *The Highest Attainable Standard: Advancing a Collective Human Right to Public Health*, 36 COLUMBIA HUMAN RIGHTS LAW REVIEW 101-147 (2005).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, *Breathing Life into the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control: Smoking Cessation and the Right to Health*, 5 YALE JOURNAL OF HEALTH POLICY, LAW & ETHICS 137-192 (2005).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, *International Criminal Prosecution of Physicians: A Critique of Professors Annas and Grodin's Proposed International Medical Tribunal*, 30 AMERICAN JOURNAL OF LAW & MEDICINE 419-452 (2004).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, *International Protection of Persons Undergoing Medical Experimentation: Protecting the Right of Informed Consent*, 20 BERKELEY JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL LAW 514-554 (2003).

**Benjamin Mason Meier**, *Reunification of Cyprus: The Possibility of a Foreign-Imposed Peace in the Wake of Past Failure*, 34 CORNELL INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL 455-480 (2001).

## DISSERTATION

*The Highest Attainable Standard: Implications of an Evolving Human Right to Health for Global Public Health and International Health Systems*

Proposal Defense—March 6, 2008; Dissertation Defense—July 8, 2009

- Ronald Bayer (Chair), Department of Sociomedical Sciences, Columbia University
- Gerald Oppenheimer, Department of Sociomedical Sciences, Columbia University
- Andrew Nathan, Department of Political Science, Columbia University
- Alice Miller, Berkeley School of Law, University of California
- Jennifer Prah Ruger, Division of Health Policy and Administration, Yale School of Public Health

**TEACHING/  
RESEARCH  
INTERESTS**

Global health policy; Health and human rights; Comparative health policy; Globalization and social determinants of health; Primary health care systems; Public health law; Research ethics; International organizations and institutional frameworks.

**COURSES**

*Justice in Public Policy*, Department of Public Policy, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, Spring 2010, Fall 2009.

*Global Health Policy*, Department of Public Policy, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, Spring 2010.

*Health & Human Rights*, Department of Sociomedical Sciences, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, New York, New York, Fall 2005, Fall 2006.

**SELECTED  
LECTURES**

*Disciplinary Training for an Interdisciplinary World (PhD Speaker)*, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Convocation, Columbia University, New York, New York, May 15, 2010.

*An Introduction to Human Rights for Health*, Health and International Development, American University, Washington, DC, April 3, 2010.

*Human Rights, Health Capability, and Global Breastfeeding Policy*, UNC Bioethics Interest Group, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, March 23, 2010.

*Evaluating Policy Performance*, Introduction to Public Policy Analysis, UNC Department of Public Policy, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, March 18, 2010.

Radio Interview, *Human Rights for Global Health*, Ethics Matters, WCOM 103.5 FM, December 26, 2009.

*Health & Human Rights: Is Access to Medicines All We Got?*, UNC Center for AIDS Research 11th Annual HIV/AIDS Symposium, UNC School of Social Work, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, December 1, 2009.

*HIV and Human Rights*, GlobeMed and Student Global Health Committee World AIDS Day Panel, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, November 30, 2009.

*International Legal Practice*, Pre-International Law Organization, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, November 12, 2009.

*International Human Rights: An Introduction*, Interdisciplinary Perspectives in Global Health, UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, October 7, 2009.

*Delegate*, Consortium of Universities for Global Health, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland, September 14-15, 2009.

*International Human Rights Law for the Public's Health, Public Health Law*, Columbia University, New York, New York, April 28, 2009.

*The World Health Organization, the Contentious Politics of Human Rights, and the Failure of Global Health Governance to Achieve Health for All (Job Talk)*, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, April 1, 2009.

*State Public Health Law Reform: Assessing the Policy Impact of the Turning Point Model State Public Health Act (Job Talk)*, Harvard School of Public Health, Cambridge, Massachusetts, March 30, 2009.

*Human Rights, Development, and Economic Determinants of Health*, Health & Human Rights, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, February 13, 2009.

*Human Rights, Harm Reduction, and HIV Prevention Among Intravenous Drug Users*, Health Policy in a Global Context, Columbia University, November 11, 2008.

*The Responsibilities of Governments and Health Professionals for Upholding Human Rights*, Foundations in Global Public Health, New York University, New York, New York, October 6, 2008.

*Using International Legal Advocacy to Promote Human Rights*, Georgian American University, Tbilisi, Republic of Georgia, November 21, 2007.

*Human Rights for the Public's Health*, New York Medical College - School of Public Health, Westchester, New York, November 17, 2007.

*Physician Responsibility for Human Rights*, Public Health/Preventive Medicine Residency Program, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, New York, New York, May 18, 2007.

*Legal, Ethical and Policy Implications of Bioterrorism*, Social and Policy Implications of Bioterrorism and other Weapons of Mass Destruction, Columbia University, New York, New York, November 15, 2006.

*The Promise of Human Rights for Public Health*, Introduction to Global Health, Global Health Track, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, New York, New York, November 9, 2006.

*Global Tobacco Control: The Role of International Law*, Tobacco and Public Health: Politics, Policy and Program approaches to the Global Epidemic, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, New York, New York, April 26, 2004.

**GRANTS  
RECEIVED**

Co-Principal Investigator, *World Health Organization-O’Neill Institute Health and Human Rights Database*, O’Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, Georgetown Law Center, September 1, 2008 - present.

Project Coordinator, *Analysis of New York Law Against the Model State Public Health Act*, New York State Bar Association, Public Health Law Committee, September 15, 2007 - August 30, 2008.

Public Health Law Project Manager, *Collaborations in Public Health Law as it Relates to Oral Health Issues*, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, September 1, 2007 - August 30, 2008.

Public Health Law Project Manager, *Building the Base for a Research Agenda on Local Public Health Legal Authority*, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, December 1, 2007 - August 30, 2008.

Public Health Law Project Manager, *Examination of the Relationship between Public Health Enabling Statutes and System Performance*, National Network of Public Health Institutes, September 1, 2007 - August 30, 2008.

Project Coordinator, *Public Health Law and State Reporting of Healthcare-Associated Infections*, Center for Interdisciplinary Research on Antimicrobial Resistance, June 2007 - August 2007.

Project Manager, *Impact of the Turning Point Model State Public Health Act: A Comprehensive Assessment of Changes in State Public Health Laws*, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, January 2006 - August 2007.

**PROFESSIONAL  
ASSOCIATIONS**

**Organizational Activities**

- American Public Health Association
  - Governing Council, 2009-present
  - International Human Rights Committee, 2008-present
  - Health Law Section—Editor, *Health Law News*, 2007-present
- Global Health Council, 2009-present
- Association of Schools of Public Health—Global Health Core Competency Project, 2009-present
- Triangle Global Health Consortium, 2009-present
- HIV Law Project—Young Professionals Advisory Board, 2008-present
- Human Rights & Tobacco Control Network—Legal Advisor, 2008-present

- New York Academy of Medicine—Associate Fellow, 2006-present
- American Society of Law, Medicine and Ethics, 2005-present
- Public Health Law Association, 2004-present
- Public Health Doctoral Students Association—Founding President, 2005-2009
- Public Health Law Committee, New York State Bar, 2002-2009
- Founding Member, Global Health Forum, 2004-2006
- *Cornell International Law Journal*—Managing Editor, 1999-2001
- Students United for Public Interest, 2000-2001
  - Report: *Revitalizing Public Interest at Cornell* (2001)
- *Legal Information Institute*—Editor, 1999-2000
- Public Interest Law Union, 1998-2001
- Briggs International Law Society, 1998-2001

#### **Editorial Activities**

- American Journal of Public Health
- Institute of Medicine
- Global Public Health
- Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics
- Bioethics
- Law & Social Inquiry
- Public Health Ethics
- Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health
- Journal of Public Health Management & Practice
- Institute of Medicine
- Oxford University Press
- Routledge Press

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**PATH, Global Campaign for Microbicides**, Washington, DC & Nairobi, Kenya

*Consultant* December 2009-present

Develop a landscape analysis of the clinical research review process in Kenya, outlining the laws, regulations, and stakeholders governing research; interview Kenyan informants in the governmental and nongovernmental sectors; lead a key stakeholder meeting to revise the Kenyan regulatory framework; supervise a team of research assistants in Nairobi and Chapel Hill.

**O’Neill Institute for National and Global Health Law, Georgetown University Law Center**, Washington, DC

*Scholar* September 2008-present

Survey jurisprudence and scholarship at the intersection of health and human rights; categorize sub-disciplines within the field of health rights; translate this survey and categorization into a searchable World Health Organization database; supervise a team of research assistants in New

York and Washington.

**International Clinical Research Center of Rwanda, Rwanda Ministry of Health, Kigali, Rwanda**

*Consultant*

January 2009-June 2009

Drafted enabling legislation to authorize the International Clinical Research Center of Rwanda to coordinate the review and approval of clinical research protocols in Rwanda; surveyed Sub-Saharan efforts to enact laws to create national health research coordinating bodies, analyzing the best practices of these laws; developed questionnaires to assess the legal needs of Rwandan Ministry officials; supervised research assistants and staff.

**Center for Health Policy, Columbia University, New York, New York**

*Public Health Law Manager*

December 2005-August 2008

Led Center activities related to public health law; evaluated national, state, and local laws across a range of public health issues; investigated the politics of public health law reform; interviewed key governmental and nongovernmental policy actors; represented the Center in legal consortia; drafted grant applications, project reports, and scholarly articles; presented results at law and public health conferences; developed formal collaborations with academics and practitioners; supervised research assistants and Center staff.

**Initiative for Policy Dialogue, Columbia University, New York, New York**

*Research Assistant—Professor Joseph Stiglitz* May 2005-September 2005

Reviewed and edited pending manuscripts for World Bank publications at the intersection of economic development and public health; developed curricula for the International Development and Globalization Program.

**World Health Organization, Geneva, Switzerland**

*Legal Officer Fellow—Tobacco Free Initiative*

May 2004-August 2004

Drafted memoranda on comparative law and public health issues related to ratification and implementation of the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control; assisted member states in crafting domestic legislation to implement international treaty obligations; drafted internal memoranda and academic articles on the World Health Organization's international legal authority.

**U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, Cleveland, Ohio**

*Law Clerk—Honorable Ann Aldrich*

August 2001-August 2003

Researched and drafted judicial opinions for various aspects of federal civil and criminal litigation at both the trial and appellate levels; conducted attorney conferences; wrote jury instructions; supervised law

school interns.

**American Refugee Committee**, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina  
*Summer Associate* Summer 2000  
Represented victims of human rights abuses on behalf of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees; developed legal briefs pursuant to the Dayton Accords for the Bosnian Human Rights Tribunal; drafted policy proposals on property rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

**U.S. Department of Justice**, Washington, DC  
*Summer Honors Intern—Office of Policy Development* Summer 2000  
Developed policy proposals for pending state and federal legislation; drafted international legal language for bilateral treaties; represented the Office of the Attorney General at inter-agency policy meetings and conferences.

**Cornell Law School**, Ithaca, New York  
*Research Assistant—Professor David Wippman* August 1999-May 2000  
Researched materials and drafted memoranda for public international law and human rights conferences and journal articles.

**Cornell Law School**, Ithaca, New York  
*Research Assistant—Professor John J. Barceló* April 1999-May 2000  
Researched and edited materials for an international commercial arbitration casebook and international trade conferences.

**Brown, Pinnisi & Michaels**, Ithaca, New York  
*Paralegal* April 1997-May 1999  
Performed pre-trial research; drafted biotechnology-related patent applications.

**Cornell University**, Ithaca, New York  
*Teaching Assistant—Professor David Sherwin* August 1998-January 1999  
Prepared and taught portions of undergraduate lectures on business law; led small sections for exam preparation; and reviewed examinations.

**U.S. Army Medical Research Institute**, Aberdeen, Maryland  
*Research Technician* May 1996-May 1998  
Characterized the expression of mutant butyrylcholinesterase enzymes to engineer enzymes capable of resisting exposure to sarin (nerve gas).

**Baltimore County Council**, Towson, Maryland  
*Legislative Assistant* Summer 1995  
Researched policy proposals; drafted ordinances and resolutions; represented members of the County Council at community events.

**SELECTED  
CONFERENCE  
PRESENTATIONS**

*Rights-Based Approaches to Global Health Policy: The World Health Organization and an Evolving Human Right to Health*, Unite for Sight Global Health/Innovate, New Haven, Connecticut, April 17, 2010.

*From the Bottle to the Grave: Realizing a Human Right to Breastfeeding through Global Health Policy*, Case Western Reserve University Law Review Symposium, Cleveland, Ohio, January 22, 2010.

*International Obligations through Collective Rights: Moving from Foreign Health Assistance to Global Health Governance*, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November 9, 2009.

*The Human Right to Water*, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November 9, 2009.

*Human Rights for Global Health Governance: The World Health Organization, the Human Right to Health, and the Failure to Achieve Health for All*, International Conference on Realising the Rights to Health and Development for All, Ha Noi, Viet Nam, October 28, 2009.

*The World Health Organization, the Contentious Politics of Human Rights, and the Failure of Global Health Governance to Achieve Health for All*, International Congress on Law and Mental Health, New York, New York, June 29, 2009.

*A Rights-Based Approach to US Health Care Reform: Realizing the Highest Attainable Standard of Health through a Focus on Underlying Determinants*, Unite for Sight Global Health Conference, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, April 18, 2009.

*Applying Competency-Based Training to International Public Health Law*, American Public Health Association 136th Annual Meeting & Exposition, San Diego, California, October 28, 2008.

*Mainstreaming the Right to Health for Public Health Advancement: The World Health Organization, Human Rights, and the Failure to Achieve Health for All*, American Public Health Association 136th Annual Meeting & Exposition, San Diego, California, October 27, 2008.

*Legal and Ethical Challenges to HIV Testing Policy: Current Controversies in Individual Rights and Public Health*, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, New York, New York, September 11, 2008 (facilitator).

*A Human Rights-Based Approach to Tobacco Control: Delineating the Rights-Holder and Duty-Bearer*, Tobacco Control and Human Rights Conference, Lausanne, Switzerland, August 1, 2008.

*Advancement of the Health & Human Rights Movement*, Global Health Issues and Human Rights Conference, University of Warwick, Coventry, England, June 6, 2008.

*The Highest Attainable Standard: The Implications of an Evolving Human Right to Health for Public Health and Global Health Systems*, Unite for Sight Conference, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, April 12, 2008.

*Inequality and Health*, International Development & Globalization Symposium, Columbia University, New York, New York, April 11, 2008.

*Evolution of a Human Right to Health: An Incomplete Success*, American Public Health Association 135th Annual Meeting & Exposition, Washington, DC, November 6, 2007.

*Competencies for Interdisciplinary Public Health Research*, American Public Health Association 135th Annual Meeting & Exposition, Washington, DC, November 5, 2007.

*Public Health Law and State Reporting of Healthcare-Associated Infections*, Center for Interdisciplinary Research on Antimicrobial Resistance, Columbia University, New York, New York, October 4, 2007 (with Kristine M. Gebbie).

*Deus ex Medicus? Harmonizing Individual and Collective Health Rights for Mental Health Promotion*, International Congress on Law and Mental Health, Padua, Italy, June 29, 2007.

*The Evolution of Health Rights in a Globalised World: Responding to Globalisation through a Collective Human Right to Public Health*, Public Health & Human Rights Conference, Prato, Italy, June 10, 2007.

*State Public Health Law Modernization: Assessing the Impact of the Turning Point Model State Public Health Act*, AcademyHealth Annual Research Meeting, Orlando, Florida, June 4, 2007.

*Legal & Ethical Considerations for the Protection of Prisoners Involved in Research*, Columbia University, New York, New York, April 23, 2007 (facilitator).

*Human Rights in Global Tobacco Control: A Rights-Based Approach to the FCTC and Its Protocols*, Keynote Address, Tobacco and Human Rights Roundtable, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 27, 2007.

*Maximizing the Available Resources: The Intersections of the Individual Human Right to Health and Collective Right to Development*, Unite for Sight Conference,

Stanford University, Palo Alto, California, April 14, 2007 (with Ashley M. Fox).

*Public Health & Human Rights: A Framework for Considering the Harms of Girl Child Soldiers*, Columbia University, New York, New York, April 13, 2007 (with Annalijn Conklin).

*Modernizing Public Health Laws in the 21st Century: The Impact of the Turning Point Model State Public Health Act on State Legislative Reforms*, American Public Health Association 134th Annual Meeting & Exposition, Boston, Massachusetts, November 7, 2006 (with James G. Hodge, Jr.).

*Beyond “the highest attainable standard”: Analyzing an Evolving Right to Health as a Means of Protecting Public Health*, American Public Health Association 134th Annual Meeting & Exposition, Boston, Massachusetts, November 6, 2006.

*Applying the Human Right to Health to Tobacco Control: Tobacco Cessation, Harm Reduction, and the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control*, American Public Health Association 134th Annual Meeting & Exposition, Boston, Massachusetts, November 6, 2006 (with Donna Shelley).

*Advancing Health Rights in Globalized World*, Symposium on Development and Globalization, Columbia University, New York, New York, November 3, 2006.

*Employing Health Rights for Global Justice: The Promise of Public Health in Response to the Insalubrious Ramifications of Globalization*, Cornell International Law Journal Symposium, Global Justice: Poverty, Human Rights, and Responsibilities, Cornell Law School, Ithaca, New York, April 10, 2006.

*The Highest Attainable Standard: Advancing a Collective Human Right to Public Health*, American Public Health Law Conference, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, Georgia, June 12, 2005.

**LANGUAGES/  
SKILLS**

Working knowledge of French and Spanish.  
Professional experience with Microsoft Word, Excel, Endnote, PowerPoint, Adobe Professional, FileMaker Pro, FrontPage, QuickTime, iMovie, and website development tools.

**INTERESTS/  
ACTIVITIES**

Soccer, hiking, reading, cooking  
New York Democratic Lawyers Council, Cornell Undergraduate Mentoring Program

Current as of May 18, 2010.