

Conference Announcement and Call for Proposals

The globalization of health care: legal and ethical challenges

*Friday May 20 – Saturday May 21, 2011**

The Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology and Bioethics at Harvard Law School is pleased to announce plans for our annual conference, this year entitled: **“The globalization of health care: legal and ethical challenges.”** The one and a half day event will take place May 20 and 21st at Harvard Law School in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The conference will be presented in conjunction with the Harvard University Program on Ethics and Health.

Conference Description

The increasing globalization of health care and its inputs provides new challenges for health law and bioethics. This conference will bring together leading scholars and policy-makers to discuss several overlapping and diverging instances of this globalization, to try and develop new strategies and paradigms. We currently envision having panels with papers on the following topics, but this list is not exhaustive, such that participants are welcome to submit for review proposals on topics related to the conferences themes but not covered by this list:

- Medical Tourism for Services Legal or Illegal in the Patient’s Home Country (E.g., Fertility Tourism, Death Tourism, Organ Tourism)
- Medical Migration (Brain Drain)
- Medical Repatriation
- Parallel Drug Pricing, and Arbitrage in Pharmaceuticals across Borders
- Research Tourism and Multi-Regional Clinical Trials
- Policing Transnational Infectious Diseases and International Vaccine Development
- Moral Duties to Provide Health Care Across Nations

If you are interested in participating please reply to petrie-flom@law.harvard.edu as soon as possible, but not later than **October 25**, and include a brief description of your proposal for presentation. At this time a single paragraph description will suffice. Fuller abstracts will be due in December, and final submissions will be due after spring break closer to the date of the event. The conference will pay travel expenses for those selected to present who must travel to Cambridge.

** Please note that the original dates planned for this event have changed so as not to conflict with the ASLME Annual Conference.*