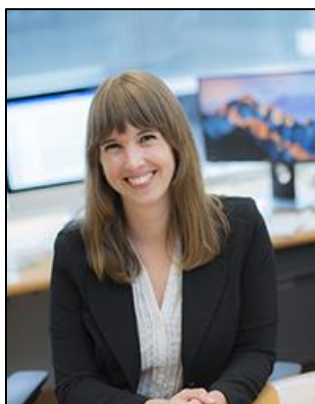


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INTERVIEW WITH ANYA PRINCE, PHD

Anya Prince, visiting scholar during Spring 2023 from the University of Iowa College of Law, reflects on her experience with the Department.



Q. What were you doing prior to joining the Department of Bioethics? Why were you interested in spending time as a Visiting Scholar?

I am a Professor at the University of Iowa College of Law, where I teach classes on genetics and the law, health law, and insurance law. My current research focuses on health and genetic data privacy and discrimination. I was interested in spending time as a visiting scholar to be part of the engaging scholarly community. In some ways, I began my career at the NIH Department of Bioethics—during law school in

Washington, D.C., I did an externship with the Department thinking about legal implications of a then newly passed law, the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act (GINA). I remember fondly my time as an extern and was excited for the opportunity to reconnect with the Department over a decade later. Plus, how could I pass up tea time?!

Q. What have you been working on?

During this visit, I have researched various legal implications of genetic technologies. In one project, I am exploring new trends in polygenic genetic testing for social traits. With this nascent technology, researchers are identifying genetic predictors for a wide range of social and behavioral traits, from educational attainment to aggression to same-sex sexual behavior. These tests raise a host of thorny bioethical issues, especially if they are utilized outside of the research setting. **Continued on page 4.**



In-person tea is back! Here we all are at a recent retirement celebration for Dr. John Gallin, Chief Scientific Officer of the Clinical Center, and longtime friend of the Department.

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CHRISTINE'S CORNER

*Greetings from the NIH CC
Department of Bioethics!*



Sending my warmest greetings and best wishes to all of you, and hope that you and yours are healthy and flourishing.

Our Department of Bioethics remains committed to a strong community, excellence in our work, and making a difference. In April 2023, we had our quadrennial Board of Scientific Counselors Review. Fortunately, the BSC concluded that the "...Department of Bioethics is outstanding on all levels. It is the flagship ethics department for many areas of research in the US and the world." I was grateful that the BSC saw the value of what we have been doing, despite the disruptions of the past 3+ years, and the fact that the Board Review was entirely virtual. Of course, it is the smart, productive, and curious people in the department who make us outstanding.

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AARON SEGAL, PHD: EXPLOITATION AND ALTRUISM IN MEDICAL RESEARCH

Aaron Segal is a postdoctoral fellow in the Department. He holds a PhD in Philosophy from the University of Pittsburgh.

Many bioethicists think that some motivations for participating in medical research are more ethically worrisome than others. When participants are motivated by medical benefit, concerns can arise about therapeutic misconception, and when they are motivated by payment, concerns can arise about undue inducement, manipulation, and exploitation. By contrast, many bioethicists think that medical research in which participants are primarily motivated by altruism is relatively unproblematic. According to this view, altruists are immune from many of these ethical issues, since to allow an altruist to participate in research is simply to provide them with the means to do something they independently want.

I argue that this received wisdom is false, and that the practice of recruiting and enrolling altruists is often wrongfully exploitative, especially given that the majority of research is now conducted by private companies designed to maximize profits. Transactions are procedurally unfair when they stem from significant inequalities of bargaining power. And the relationships between prospective participants and medical research institutions (especially private institutions) are marked by exactly this type of inequality, including inequalities in economic and legal resources, knowledge asymmetries, and disparities in understanding one another's bargaining strategies. Against the background of this form of procedural unfairness, the practice of recruiting and enrolling altruists—including by paying participants relatively small amounts of money—constitutes unfair advantage taking and thus wrongful exploitation. And while this problem is most pronounced in the context of private research, it is not strictly limited to the private sphere, since public institutions often employ low payment schemes despite being non-profit organizations.

CHRISTINE'S CORNER, CONTINUED

During this past year, most of the experiences that you shared with us in the Department of Bioethics remain intact and thriving. As the patterns and worries of the pandemic have faded, we are largely back in the office, holding in-person meetings in the conference room, enjoying tea together, and the CC has recently lifted the mask requirement except in patient areas. The Bioethics Consultation Service continues to be quite busy addressing familiar and novel challenges. The bioethics fellowship program is also going strong, with an exceptional pool of applicants this year, a stellar group of current fellows, a talented group soon moving on to their next exciting adventures. We are looking forward to welcoming an excellent new cohort in September. We have an array of innovative research projects on data sharing, surrogate decision-making, MAID, vaccine acceptance, measurement of inequality, and much more, and are fortunate to be able to pivot and respond to and explore compelling new issues when they arise. We continue to strive to make our research timely and influential. In fact, the BSC noted "The outstanding success of [the Department's] research is reflected by the academic rigor of the research, the significance of the findings, the ability to publish results in leading journals, and the actual or potential impact of the findings on practice, policy or bioethical thinking."

The Department has some new faces since last year. Dr. Yukiko Asada joined us in the fall from Dalhousie University, and is diligently working on her research program on ethics and health disparities. She will continue to build on her impressive research portfolio on the conception of, measurement of, and public understanding of inequality, especially health-related inequalities. She was recently awarded the prestigious Distinguished Scholar Award from the NIH- the first time it went to someone at the CC! Dr. Robert Steel (yes, our former fellow Robert Steel) also joined us in the fall from the University of Nebraska as a staff scientist. Robert is doing some exciting work in research ethics and he is serving as our liaison with the Division of AIDS. Annette Rid has taken on the responsibility of a new section on Global Health Ethics and is our liaison with the Fogarty International Center. Connor Sullivan, our department's research assistant, was finally able to join us in person, and it is great to have him as part of the team.

This year, we have also been quite fortunate to have several visiting scholars. Kadri Simm is a philosopher from the University of Tartu, Estonia who came to the NIH on a Fulbright to study aspects of ethics consultation. Kadri has been involved in many other things and it has been so interesting to learn more about Estonia. Jon Fuller is a physician/philosopher of medicine from the University of Pittsburgh who familiarized us with important concepts and ways of thinking in the philosophy of medicine and science. Jon has led a lively reading group series on compelling topics. Anya Prince is a law professor at the University of Iowa who is spending a sabbatical here working on ethical issues in the use of polygenic risk scores and related issues. We are very grateful for Kadri, Jon, and Anya's engagement with us, sharing their work, and for their insightful comments and contributions to our community.

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CHRISTINE'S CORNER, CONTINUED

Our big news is that Marion Danis retired on June 30, after 26 years of running our Bioethics Consultation Service. I keep saying that it is hard to imagine the Department of Bioethics without her, but for me it truly is. Marion has been a rock, a role model, a mentor to so many, and an invaluable and integral member of our team. The Bioethics Consultation Service that she created is highly-valued, utilized, and respected. She is also a pioneer in research on public engagement through CHAT, on bioethicists' role in antiracism, and in promoting justice and championing for those who are disadvantaged. She will be greatly missed. Saskia Hendriks has graciously accepted the responsibility of acting as the head of the consult service until we find someone who can permanently fill this important position.

In other big news, I had my first grandchild. She is absolutely perfect, of course.

I hope that you and yours stay healthy, happy, and productive, and that you keep addressing important questions and trying to make a difference. In a commencement address that I had the privilege to deliver this year, I emphasized four features that I think are important to a good and flourishing life- human connections, critical thinking, a strong moral compass, and a sense of wonder. I hope you each have these as part of your lives. We love to hear about your many adventures and accomplishments. (e.g. Bravo to our Jeopardy champion, Ben Chan!!). As always, you are welcome to visit us, present a work in progress or collaborate with us on a project, or check us out on twitter (@NIHBioethics)!

Warmest wishes, Christine.



**Congratulations,
Marion! We'll miss
you!**

INTERVIEW WITH ANYA PRINCE (CONTINUED)

Q. What has your experience as a Visiting Scholar been like?

The community within the Department of Bioethics is warm and inviting. During my time as a visiting scholar I have greatly enjoyed getting to know the fellows and faculty in the Department and discussing their rich research during works-in-progress and other events. The Department is truly a unique environment to share dialogue about bioethics work.

Q. What are your plans, if any, after your stint at the NIH?

In a short month, I will be returning to Iowa to continue my teaching and research. I look forward to continuing to stay in touch with the vibrant community of the Department when I'm away.

INTERVIEW WITH JONATHAN FULLER, MD PHD

Jonathan Fuller, visiting scholar during Spring 2023 from the Department of History and Philosophy of Science at the University of Pittsburgh, reflects on his experience with the Department.

Q. What were you doing prior to joining the Department? Why were you interested in spending time as a visiting scholar?

Prior to joining the department, I was a faculty member in the Department of History and Philosophy of Science at the University of Pittsburgh, where I was working in the history and philosophy of medicine. Most of my research is situated in the philosophy of medical science. One of the goals of my visit to NIH Bioethics was to explore the intersection of philosophy of science and bioethics, two areas that are sometimes siloed within the philosophy of medicine. Work in both areas can benefit from interaction and exchange because ethical and scientific issues are intertwined in medicine. Along with a colleague, I co-founded a journal called *Philosophy of Medicine* that provides a space for exchange between scholars working in various areas, including philosophy of science and bioethics.



Q. What have you been working on while here?

While in NIH Bioethics, I have been working mainly on three projects. The first project is about communicating epidemiological risks in medicine, and has a normative and empirical component. In the normative component, I defend interpretations of medical risk and treatment effectiveness that are consistent with philosophical accounts of probability and causation. For the empirical component, I am working with risk communication scientists in the National Cancer Institute to develop surveys that will probe how the public understands medical risk and treatment effectiveness when quantified in various ways or using different language. In the second research project, I am developing a framework for synthesizing diverse scientific evidence for contexts in which large, simple randomized trials are absent, including for certain emerging medical technologies. In the third research project, I am examining how to draw the boundaries between scientific medicine and pseudoscientific medicine in our current age of data abundance.

Q. What has your experience as a visiting scholar been like?

My experience as a visiting scholar has been phenomenal. I have benefited greatly from interaction with faculty and fellows working on nearby topics in clinical research ethics. I was fortunate to lead a reading group in philosophy of medicine for NIH bioethicists in which we engaged in high-level discussion on issues from medical AI to death determinations. I developed an appetite for clinical and research ethics consultations while shadowing on the ethics consultation service and through participating in an ethics consultation reading group for Bioethics faculty. I also worked closely with scholars in other NIH institutes and at other DC institutions. Most recently, I participated in a panel discussion in DC with epidemiologists and officials at NIH, CDC, and FDA on lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic for science policy.

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Q. What are your plans after your stint at the NIH?

I will be returning to my position at the University of Pittsburgh, where my main project will be completing a research monograph in philosophy of medicine. Tentatively titled *The New Modern Medicine: Disease, Evidence, and Epidemiological Medicine*, the book examines problems that distinguish contemporary scientific medicine, which I call 'epidemiological medicine' in recognition of the outsized role of epidemiological sciences in shaping medical thinking. I also hope to continue my involvement in research ethics consultation, as well as the collaborations and friendships I developed over my time in NIH Bioethics.

INTERVIEW WITH KADRI SIMM, PHD

Kadri Simm, chair and associate professor of practical philosophy at University of Tartu, Estonia, and Fulbright research scholar in the Department, reflects on her experience here this year.



Q. What were you doing prior to joining the Department? Why were you interested in spending time as a visiting scholar?

I was a chair of practical philosophy at University of Tartu, in Estonia. Tartu is a wonderful old university town but it is also quite small, so getting out regularly is really crucial. When I was thinking about doing a research leave on bioethics, all roads seemed to lead to the US. Also, because of my work at the clinical ethics committee of the university hospital, I was interested in learning more about these more practical issues. This focus not only on academic, but also clinical and research stuff made the department an ideal place.

Q. What have you been working on while here?

My plan had two major foci. First to work on ethics consultations as a more practical project-- how they are organised at the NIH and what lessons can be learned for a different context. The scale of the services provided by the consultation service at NIH is very different but I think I found several ways in which the ethics component, broadly, can be introduced more systematically to the clinical settings in Estonia. The second focus of my stay was on the ontology of ethical decisions and decision-making in clinical context and I was especially interested in broadening my approach from philosophy towards insights from moral psychology and behavioural sciences, and learning more about empirical methods in bioethics.

Q. What has your experience as a visiting scholar been like?

It was fantastic. I found the colleagues welcoming and very approachable, I admired the way everyone routinely contributed and commented at the meetings and discussions. It was wonderful to be in a setting where so many people were experts in all things bioethics and I will very much miss this friendly community.

Q. What are your plans after your stint at NIH?

I am back in Tartu and planning to go forward with the couple of projects prepared with Holly Taylor and Marion Danis. Also, will resume my teaching and administrative duties, as well as the (tiresome) routine of writing research projects to secure extra funding. Thank you so much to the department, I do feel that my experience there has given me a lot of new tools and a push to do interesting and important research.

INTERVIEW WITH KELSEY MUMFORD, BSN, RN

Kelsey Mumford, a medical student at the University of Texas at Austin Dell Medical School, discusses her year with the Department hosted through the Medical Research Scholars Program (MRSP).



Q. What have you been working on?

I have been working on finishing up a manuscript regarding a prenatal genome sequencing survey project I worked on during my fellowship. I also recently submitted several manuscripts for publication that I worked on during my fellowship on topics broadly related to reproductive health ethics. I have also been preparing to return to clinical rotations in a few weeks, as I am about to start back at medical school!

Q. What has your experience in the Department been like?

My experience with the Department was wonderful. I learned so much about conducting both normative and empirical bioethics research projects and benefitted greatly from the expertise available in the Department related to my area of interest. I will be returning to medicine

having gained a deeper understanding of the bioethical implications of the clinical work I will complete as a future OB/GYN, and hope to continue my involvement in bioethics research for the foreseeable future. I would highly recommend completing the MRSP year with the Department of Bioethics to other medical students.

Q. What will you be doing next?

I will be returning to medical school in July and applying to OB/GYN residencies this fall. I look forward to finishing up my remaining projects with the Department this year, and hope to continue collaborating with colleagues from the Department in the future, both as a resident and eventually as an attending.

SAVE THE DATE!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2023: 5-7PM

The **American Society of Bioethics and Humanities** Annual Meeting is in **Baltimore, MD** this year.

The NIH Department of Bioethics will be hosting a get together of current faculty and fellows, former faculty, fellow alums, and past visiting scholars at **Pratt Street Ale House**

<https://www.prattstreetalehouse.com/>

We will be celebrating the **27th Anniversary of the Department** and each other!

Snacks and drinks to be provided.

Stay tuned: we will follow up with a way to RSVP to get a head count closer to the date.

INTERVIEW WITH ROBERT STEEL, PHD

Robert Steel, PhD, newly hired staff scientist and former fellow, discusses his research and what he's looking forward to most as he returns to the NIH Department of Bioethics.



Q. What have you been up to since first leaving the Department?

After leaving the department, I spent a year as a postdoctoral fellow at the Center for Population-Level Bioethics at Rutgers, and then from there went on to

spend another couple of years as an assistant professor in the Department of Philosophy at the University of Nebraska, Omaha. While at UNO, I also served on the Medical Humanities Faculty and was involved in building up what was, at that time, still a quite new, but also very popular program. Omaha was a pleasant, affordable city, and the Philosophy Department at UNO was, while scrappy, also functional, well-run, and highly collegial. It is hard to overstate how good it is to work with people you like and respect, particularly in smaller departments where you see a great deal of each other.

Q. What brought you back, and what were you most looking forward to when you committed to returning to NIH?

When I went to UNO, I anticipated that it would be my “forever job”—I liked the place and the people, felt like I understood the job and could do it well, and so on. So I wasn’t shopping around. But NIH Bioethics is a very special place, so when I saw the opening I applied. Coming back to NIH, I looked forward to having more time for research. I looked forward to

working with fellows. And I especially looked forward to being embedded, as NIH Bioethics is, within larger academic and policy communities. Being here exposes you to wildly diverse types of work alongside the varied and fascinating problems they address. An ambition is that having my perspective enriched in this way will help me do work that’s useful.

I also, at the time, had a serious partner who very much wanted to return to DC. But we ended up separating shortly before I arrived. Life’s funny like that.

Q. What are you currently working on? And how does being back now compare with your initial experience here?

Presently I’m working on a few research projects: I’m still interested in risk-benefit assessments and am finishing writing up something on coronavirus challenge trials; I’m starting in on a project investigating the normative reasons we have to do community engagement in biomedical research, and how those reasons (ought to) shape best practices; and, finally, I am in the grip of various fevered thoughts about how the ethical norms governing government policy trials may differ from those governing more familiar forms of trial. Much of my time over the last months, though, has gone into institutional onboarding. My role includes acting as departmental liaison to DAIDS, which I enjoy both intellectually and as an opportunity to be useful, and getting up to speed on that has been a project. Relatedly, I will say that the most notable contrast between my current and prior time here is that, as a postdoc, I had so many fewer responsibilities. Calendar management has been a growth area. Each phase of life, I suppose, comes with its new tricks.

2021-2023 FELLOW BIOGRAPHIES



George Chingarande, PhD: George Rugare Chingarande has his PhD in Neuroscience and a graduate minor in Statistics from the University of Missouri-Columbia. While at the NIH his research focused primarily on the ethics of vaccine donations from High Income Countries to Lower Income countries. He is currently deciding between a few different options for after the fellowship.



Lauren Harcarik, BA: Lauren Harcarik earned her BA in Philosophy from the University of Massachusetts, Boston. As a post-baccalaureate fellow at NIH, she worked on issues related to decision-making capacity, including an analysis of the role of values in decision-making and the effect of personality disorders on capacity. She presented her work in a poster presentation at the Rocky Mountain Ethics Conference in 2022. She helped organize the Mid-Atlantic Fellows Symposium in 2022 and 2023. In the fall of 2023, she will enter the MSW program at the University of Maryland.



Claire Moore, BA: Claire Moore completed her BA in Public Health and Philosophy at Agnes Scott College. At NIH, she designed and facilitated virtual public deliberation sessions that engaged low-income Michigan residents in priority-setting regarding government programs that address the social determinants of health with Marion Danis and colleagues in a community-academic partnership. With Holly Taylor, she surveyed adolescents about their COVID-19 vaccine decision-making and explored the moral dimensions of incorporating solidarity into public health responses. In the fall, she will pursue her MPH in Community Health and Prevention at Drexel University as an Urban Health Collaborative Research Fellow.



Mariam Noorulhuda, BA: Mariam Noorulhuda graduated from Stanford in 2020 with a major in History and minors in Biology and Human Rights. While at the NIH, she pursued projects in the ethical concerns of patients and families while being ill and receiving care, race and ethnicity and physician-assisted death, and priority setting and equity during the COVID-19 pandemic. She hopes to continue incorporating bioethics and other justice-oriented work into her future career as a physician. In the fall, she will begin medical school at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA.



Kyle Patch, BS, BA: Kyle Patch earned dual degrees in Neuroscience and Philosophy from the University of Florida. At NIH Kyle worked on ethical issues related to drug policy and emerging therapies such as psychedelic-assisted psychotherapy and implanted neural devices for the treatment of neuropsychiatric conditions. While continuing to work on these topics, Kyle turns his focus to applying to law school.



Nina Roesner, JD: Nina Roesner received her JD from Harvard Law School in 2021. While at the NIH, she worked primarily on issues in reproductive health law and ethics, with a focus on reproductive rights in relation to disability, genomics, and emerging technologies. She plans to continue her work in bioethics after the fellowship, and will begin as a clinical ethicist in Baltimore this fall at Medstar Good Samaritan and Union Memorial hospitals.



David Shope, PhD: David Shope received his PhD in philosophy from the University of California, Riverside. His focus at the NIH was on a study interviewing autistic adults about personal identity. In the fall, he will be adjuncting at a number of local universities and hopes to find a full-time job teaching philosophy at the college level.

Congratulations, fellows!

ALUMNI UPDATES



Dena S. Davis: I'm in the process of retiring from Lehigh University, although I plan to remain active in bioethics. In January I moved from Pennsylvania to NYC, where I bought an apartment two blocks from Lincoln Center. I've already found a number of different groups with whom to play early music.

Coleman Solis: I'm entering my third year at Berkeley - by this time next year, I'll have passed my qualifying exams and started writing my dissertation (knock on wood). Also me, Kevin, DWass, Marion, and Kathleen just had an article come out in the Hastings Center Report on home care, which we started when Kevin and I were at the NIH. Things are going pretty well :)

David Wendler: Thanks to Seema Shah's efforts and support from Christine, I am spending a few wonderful months at Northwestern in Chicago. Laura and I rented an AirBnB in Lincoln Square and have been soaking up the city, where the tardy arrival of spring has been more than compensated for by fabulous city parks to walk the dog, bike lanes for navigating the city, great restaurants, interesting neighborhoods to explore, tons of cultural opportunities, and an amazing beer scene.

In addition to Hopleaf and Map Room, two of the better beer bars in the US, my list of recommended microbreweries visited so far: Metropolitan, Maplewood, Half Acre, Begyle, Dovetail, Grand Central, Hopewell, and On tour.

And, after a million-year gestation, my book on degrees of moral status is finally out:

<https://global.oup.com/academic/product/life-without-degrees-of-moral-status-9780197675328?cc=us&lang=en>. One advantage of working in such a wonderful department and

taking so long to complete a project is that you can get lots of helpful advice and input!



Hae Lin Cho: I graduated medical school in May and started my residency in Internal Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital!

Govind Persad: I am officially Associate Professor of Law with Tenure (as of August 1) at the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. This year I co-authored "Fair Domestic Allocation of Monkeypox Virus Countermeasures" in *Lancet Infectious Diseases* with former NIH Bioethics colleagues Henry Richardson, Owen Schaefer, Carla Saenz, and Zeke Emanuel. I also saw former fellows Leah Pierson and Sophie Gibert for an appearance on their bioethics podcast.

Sophie Gibert: I'm entering my sixth and final year of my PhD in Philosophy at MIT. My dissertation questions the role that concepts from the philosophy of action (e.g., autonomy, voluntariness, good reasoning) play in ethical theory - for example, in theories of manipulation, paternalism, and our rights more broadly. One of my papers, "The Wrong of Wrongful Manipulation," which I started thinking about as a fellow, was recently accepted for publication in *Philosophy & Public Affairs*. I am still close with many of the fellows from my class and beyond. Leah (Pierson) and I are starting a new bioethics podcast that should launch this summer. Several former fellows and I are working on a survey project characterizing American bioethicists' views on major topics. And Haley (Sullivan) and I achieved mediocre rankings in David (Miller)'s Survivor bracket this spring!



Leah Pierson is in the home stretch (ish) of her MD/PhD: she will defend her dissertation ("Ethical Issues in Global Health Priority Setting") this fall, and will graduate from medical school in 2025. In the past year, she's worked on four research projects with eight fellowship alums, and she and Sophie Gibert ('18) recently received a grant to start a bioethics podcast, Bio(un)ethical. (Episodes will come out soon, and will be available on normal podcasting platforms.) For her 30th birthday, she went skiing in Oregon with four fellowship alums, Robert Steel, David Miller, Haley Sullivan, and Sophie Gibert.

Sarah Raskoff: In Fall 2023, my husband and I will both start as tenure track assistant professors in the Philosophy department at Vanderbilt University. I will also be core faculty with VUMC's Center for Bioethics and Society. We feel incredibly excited about and grateful for this opportunity.



Michelle Bayefsky: After meeting back in 2014 when I was a post-bacc fellow, Nate and I were finally married in May 2022. In March, we had our first child, Sophie Dorit Bayefsky Loewentheil! This July, I will be starting my final year of OB/GYN residency at NYU and I am currently applying for a fellowship in Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility. It is always great to catch up with NIH alums - please let me know if you are visiting NYC!

Rob Hughes: I had a wonderful year at Harvard's Edmond & Lily Safra Center for Ethics. My main research topic was the ethics and regulation of wage exploitation, but I also wrote about ethical issues in managed care organizations, and I started a larger project on the limits of law enforcement. I am excited to be joining the faculty of Rutgers Business School as an Associate Professor of Professional Practice this fall. Matt and I are enjoying living in Hell's Kitchen.



Sharona Hoffman: I returned from my NIH sabbatical to a full law teaching schedule at Case Western Reserve University this fall. Happily, I recently won the 2023 Case Western Reserve University School of Law Distinguished Research Award. I also published the following articles this past year:

S. Hoffman & A. Podgurski, "The Patient's Voice: Legal Implications of Patient-Reported Outcome Measures," 22 Yale Journal of Health Policy, Law, and Ethics (forthcoming summer 2023);

S. Hoffman, "Privacy and Security – Protecting Patients' Health Information," 387 New England Journal of Medicine 1913-16 (2022);

D. Walker, S. Hoffman, J. Adler-Milstein, "Interoperability in the Post-Roe Era: Sustaining Progress While Protecting Reproductive Health Information," 328 JAMA 1703-04 (2022)

S. Hoffman, "Physicians and Cognitive Decline: A Challenge for State Medical Boards," 108 Journal of Medical Regulation 19-28 (2022).

Sumeeta Varma: I am in year 4 of a full-time, self-funded autoethnographic study of hedonic adaptation to disability. My previous position as a hospice physician in the South Bronx ended shortly after contracting an early 2020 case of "just the sniffles, definitely not that new coronavirus." While I categorically do not recommend Covid, Long Covid, ME/CFS, or any of the other conditions I've since come to know, I can now report that hedonic adaptation is astonishingly robust. My writing abilities are limited but my speech capacity is pretty well preserved, so I would be very happy to reconnect with fellow alumni in any voice or video call format you don't yet hate, or face-to-face should your travels bring you to NYC.

Haley Sullivan: I just finished the 3rd year of my Health Policy PhD at Harvard. I'm still living in Cambridge, and am glad to regularly see so many of the former fellows in the area!

Marie Nicolini: Marie Nicolini is starting a position as an Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, Neurosurgery, and Neurosciences at UT Southwestern, Dallas, where she will lead the new Neuroethics Program and start her lab in mental health ethics.

Congratulations, alumni!