



**ANNUAL HEALTH LAW CONFERENCE**

**APRIL 12, 2024**  
**8:15 AM - 5:00 PM**

# THE FUTURE OF **HEALTH EQUITY** AFTER THE END OF **AFFIRMATIVE ACTION**

**N** Northeastern Law  
Center for Health Policy and Law



**KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

**Michelle Williams**

*Joan and Julius Jacobson Professor of Epidemiology and Public Health, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health*

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## MORNING

JOHN D. O'BRYANT AFRICAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE CABRAL CENTER, NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, 40 LEON STREET, BOSTON

**8:15 AM DOORS OPEN - LIGHT BREAKFAST**

**8:45 - 9:00 AM WELCOME**

**James Hackney**, Dean, Northeastern University School of Law

**Wendy E. Parmet**, Faculty Director, Center for Health Policy and Law, Northeastern University School of Law

**Mehreen N. Butt**, Managing Director, Center for Health Policy and Law, Northeastern University School of Law

**9:00 - 10:30 AM KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

**Michelle Williams**, Joan and Julius Jacobson Professor of Epidemiology and Public Health, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

**11:00 AM - 12:15 PM PLENARY SESSION: PAPER PRESENTATIONS**

**“Understanding Structural Racism: How Students for Fair Admissions, Inc. v. Harvard College is Bad for Public Health and Undercuts Efforts to Achieve Racial Health Equity”**

- **Dr. April Shaw**, Network For Public Health Law

**“Addressing Racial Inequalities in the Wake of the Affirmative Action Cases: The Public Health Landscape”**

- **Sabrina Adler**, ChangeLab Solutions; **Lindsey Wiley**, UCLA Law; and **Ruqaiyah Yearby**, Moritz College of Law

**COMMENTATORS**

**Jennifer Lea Huer**, Northeastern University School of Law

**Renée Landers**, Suffolk University School of Law

**MODERATOR: David A. Simon**, Northeastern University School of Law

**12:15 - 1:00 PM LUNCH AT CABRAL CENTER**

## AFTERNOON

DOCKSER HALL, NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, 65 FORSYTH STREET, BOSTON

**1:00 - 2:15 PM CONCURRENT SESSIONS 1**

**44 DOCKSER**

**The Future of Maternal and Children’s Health**

**Aziza Ahmed**, Boston University School of Law

**Brietta Clark**, Loyola Law School (virtual)

**Ederlina Co**, University of the Pacific

**Jamille Fields Allsbrook**, St. Louis University School of Law

**MODERATOR: Katherine Kraschel**, Northeastern University School of Law

**2:20 - 3:35 PM CONCURRENT SESSIONS 2**

**44 DOCKSER**

**The Impact of SFFA on the Health of Traditionally Marginalized Populations**

**Dr. Allison Kelliher**, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing

**Medha Makhlof**, Penn State Dickinson Law

**Sidney Watson**, St. Louis University School of Law

**Maya Watson**, Wayne State University Law School (virtual)

**MODERATOR: Wendy E. Parmet**, Northeastern University School of Law

**3:35 - 3:45 PM BREAK**

**3:45 - 5:00 PM CONCURRENT SESSIONS 3**

**44 DOCKSER**

**The Impact of the Court’s Decision on Medical Education and the Healthcare Workforce**

**Dr. Andea T. Deyrup, MD, PhD**, Duke University School of Medicine

**Joseph L. Graves, Jr.**, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University (virtual)

**John Hoberman**, The University of Texas at Austin

**Michael Sinha**, St. Louis University School of Law

**MODERATOR: Jonathan Kahn**, Northeastern University School of Law

**46 DOCKSER**

**The Potential of Technology and Artificial Intelligence (AI) to Mitigate or Exacerbate Health Inequities**

**Ignacio Cofone**, McGill University Faculty of Law

**Sara Gerke**, Penn State Dickinson Law

**Chris Robertson**, Boston University School of Law

**MODERATOR: Claudia Haupt**, Northeastern University School of Law

**46 DOCKSER**

**The Impact of the Court’s Decision on Hospitals and Insurance Companies**

**Joshua Abrams**, Office of General Counsel, Mass General Brigham

**Almeta E. Cooper**, Moms Clean Air Force

**Allison Hoffman**, Penn Carey Law

**Liz McCuskey**, Boston University School of Public Health

**MODERATOR: Kristin Madison**, Northeastern University School of Law

**46 DOCKSER**

**The Impact of the Court’s Decision on Research**

**Maggie Alegria**, Massachusetts General Hospital

**Giridhar Mallya**, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

**Alfredo Morabia**, City University of New York and Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health

**MODERATOR: Idia Binitie Thurston**, Northeastern University College of Social Sciences and Humanities