Northwestern Hospital Tour
Students interested in health law careers visited Northwestern Memorial Hospital in October to get an inside look at the facilities and the hospital’s Office of the General Counsel. Students were guided through the hospital's public spaces, patient rooms, emergency department, ICU, and organ transplant floor and introduced to careers available in compliance, risk management, and medical malpractice. We thank Maria Guerrero, program director at Northwestern, for the tour and the Office of the General Counsel for exposing students to a variety of health law careers.

Hunger Week Bake Sale
During the first week of November, the Health Law Society, working with both Law Students for Reproductive Justice and Women’s Law Society, hosted a bake sale during Hunger Week. Monetary and non-perishable donations were accepted, and have been distributed to Southwest PADS, a Chicago-based homeless shelter, and A Just Harvest, an organization who works to educate and mobilize people toward helping combat hunger, poverty, and economic injustice. On behalf of all participating student organizations, we would like to thank everyone who contributed either cash, a baked good, or canned food donation. We also thank those who worked the table and/or decided to stop by for a treat between classes. All of your efforts have helped those in need and are greatly appreciated.

Blood Drive
The Health Law Society has recently teamed up with the Student Bar Association in hosting American Red Cross blood drives. On behalf of both organizations, we thank all of those who donated at our drive in November. There is a great need for blood donations, and less than 10% of those eligible in the population donate. Please consider participating in our next co-hosted blood drive and help save a life.

Health in the Movies
In November, the Health Law Society held their semi-annual Bioethics in Film series with this semester’s topic being Ethical Considerations of Organ Donation and Organ Transplantation. Short clips from My Sister’s Keeper and Never Let Me Go were screened, and Professor Nadia Sawicki and Dr. Jennifer Parks were our panelists. Dr. Parks is a Professor of Philosophy and Director of the Undergraduate Bioethics Minor Program at Loyola. Professor Sawicki is an Associate Professor of Law at Loyola. Both discussed current issues and trends in live and deceased organ donation. On behalf of all of those who benefitted from the interesting discussion, we would like to thank Dr. Parks, Professor Sawicki, and also Ben Bresnick, Gail Jankowski, and Sumaya Noush for their efforts in making it happen.

Health Law Career Panel
The Health Law Society hosted a career panel in November for students interested in health law careers. Students were able to learn first-hand about the experiences and day-to-day tasks of attorneys in medical malpractice and commercial litigation, health care regulation, and corporate transactions. On behalf of all of those in attendance, we would like to thank Fred A. Smith, Partner at Sedgwick; Limo T. Cherian, Partner at Hogan Marren; and Scott C. Bentivenga, Partner at Lewis, Brisbois, Bisgaard & Smith (all pictured above), for sharing their time and experiences.
10,000 STEPS TO WELLNESS

1L Section Fitness Competition during Winter Break

Instead of going into hibernation-mode after finals, binge-watching Netflix, and being generally lethargic, we want to encourage 1Ls to get off the couch and get moving!

We are excited to announce a friendly fitness competition between sections! What is the goal? To clock in 10,000 steps daily for 30 days to promote healthy lifestyles in the 1L class during the winter break. Each step an individual student takes goes towards their section’s total and whichever section has the most collective steps will be the winning section! Prizes include pride, bragging rights, improved physical fitness, lower stress and anxiety levels, and last, but not least, a healthy lunch reception hosted by the Beazley Institute. If that is not enough, we can finally settle the three-month long debate of which section is the best!

Each section will be given a link to their corresponding Matchup group, which they will need to link to their pedometer app or gadget. Matchup is compatible with Fitbit, Jawbone, Withings, Garmin Misfits, and The Moves app for iOS and Android—all of these sync steps to Matchup. All interested students need to do is sign up for Matchup, link it to their device and get to steppin’! Keep an eye out for information about this healthy competition in your inboxes!

This competition will start December 20, 2014 and end January 18, 2015. Any questions, please contact Marika Iszczyszyn at miszczy@luc.edu.

SPRING HEALTH LAW COURSES FOR 1LS

The Beazley Institute is pleased to provide four health law-related courses to 1Ls for the spring semester.

Introduction to Health Law

This course provides a broad survey of the most fundamental legal issues surrounding the delivery of health care in America. No prior knowledge of health law is required. Major topics include state and federal regulation of health care providers and institutions; tort liability in the context of medical care; patient and provider rights and obligations; public and private insurance systems; and basic issues in bioethics and public health.

Access to Healthcare

This is a seven-week course exploring the legal, political, environmental, financial and medical issues surrounding access to health in the United States and internationally, with particular emphasis on people who are experiencing poverty and the uninsured. The course is complemented with a required spring break field study to an impoverished region in the United States or abroad. Although this class is currently filled to capacity, keeping checking over winter break for any openings.

Bioethics and the Law

This course provides an overview of American law as it relates to emerging ethical issues in medicine and health care. It is intended to give students an appreciation of the ways in which medical practice and decision-making are guided by modern American principles of constitutional, tort, administrative, and criminal law. Students will learn how the law’s regulatory powers have been used to set boundaries in medicine, and, in turn, how theories of medical ethics and practice have informed modern legal developments. Topics covered vary from year to year, but may include issues in end-of-life care, research ethics, reproductive autonomy, distributive justice, and genetic technology.

Global Access to Medicine: A Patent Perspective

This course considers how patents impact access to medicine in today’s global economy. While there are many issues that impact access to medicine, patents are the highlight here because patents are often poorly understood, yet have an enormous impact on access to medicine. This class aims to broaden students’ consideration of different views of patents in the context of exploring a growing web of international agreements that require nations to adopt specific types of patent laws that have implications for the cost of drugs.
MEET THE HEALTH LAW SOCIETY

Health Law Society Executive Board

The Health Law Society strives to introduce students to the complex and varied world of health law through events and networking opportunities with practitioners, scholars, and other students. HLS provides Loyola University Chicago School of Law students an opportunity to get involved with the school's health law program from day one of their law school career.

Eric Chung, President
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Eric is a 2L from Chicago, IL, and graduated from Indiana University at Bloomington with a B.A. in English and B.S. in Biology. He is currently pursuing a health law certificate and has worked for the Centers for Medicaid & Medicare Services, Equip for Equality, and University of Chicago Hospital. Currently, he is working in the Corporate Compliance department at Rush University Medical Center, and at the plaintiff’s firm, Cooney & Conway. Besides studying, you can usually find Eric playing basketball or soccer, or biking.

Sara Pugh, Executive Director of Events
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Sara is a 3L from Macomb, MI, and is pursuing health law and advocacy certificates. Sara has externed with the American Medical Association, the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago Office of General Counsel, the Healthcare Bureau of the Illinois Attorney General’s Office, and clerked for the Honorable Judge Sophia Hall in the Circuit Court of Cook County Chancery Division. Sara currently works for the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, where she prosecutes physicians for violations of the Medical Practice Act. In her free time, she enjoys reading, cooking, and listening to country music.

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Sumaya is a 2L from Skokie, IL who is pursuing her health law certificate and her M.A. in Bioethics & Health Policy at the Neiswanger Institute, Stritch School of Medicine, Loyola University Chicago. Sumaya was a research intern at Yale University’s Bioethics Institute this past summer and will be returning this upcoming summer as an Institute Researcher & Seminar Leader. She is currently a Client Advocate at Loyola’s medical-legal partnership called the Health Justice Project. She enjoys building up her catalog of books she has read and wants to read and spending quality time with friends and family.

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Amy is a 2L from Mundelein, IL, pursuing her health law certificate. She received her B.S. in Kinesiology at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. Amy is interested in compliance and policy issues within the field of health law. This past summer, Amy worked as a law clerk at Figliulo & Silverman, P.C., and currently works as a law clerk at Access Living, focusing on disability discrimination in equal access to housing and government programs. In her free time, Amy enjoys spending time with friends and family, running, and playing water polo.

Healthy Initiatives Committee

The Health Law Society’s Healthy Initiatives Committee’s goal is to improve health awareness and well-being in the Loyola community.

Mel Gaddy
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Mel is a 1L who graduated from the University of South Carolina with a bachelor’s degree in Political Science. While in college, Mel coached a nationally ranked high school speech and debate team and a high school mock trial team. Additionally, he was involved with political campaign work as an undergraduate. Before law school, Mel worked as a co-instructor for the University of South Carolina’s U101 program and in a law office in Greenville, SC.

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Matt is a 1L who graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign with a B.A. in Political Science with a minor in Global Labor Studies. Before law school, Matt spent two summers interning at Winthrop University Hospital on Long Island working in the pediatrics department, as well as Nassau County District Attorney’s Office in their vehicular crimes bureau. When he is not in the library, Matt can be seen playing basketball, running, and lifting weights.

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Marika is a 1L from Chicago, IL, and is pursuing certificates in health law and advocacy. She has a B.S. in Biology with minors in Bioethics, Business Administration, and Philosophy from Loyola University Chicago. Marika has worked in hospitals and clinics, doing clinical and billing work. She has also worked with non-profit home repair organizations, and at Leydig, Voit & Mayer, Ltd. – an intellectual property firm in Chicago. In her free time, she enjoys painting, reading, and playing recreational league sports.

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Stephanie is a 1L and intends to pursue a health law certificate. Stephanie received her B.S. in Medical Humanities and Chemistry from Baylor University. At Baylor, Stephanie served as President of the Student Health Advisory Committee and Volunteer Chair for the American Medical Student Association. After graduating, Stephanie worked in an Emergency Room completing patient charts for medical, insurance, and billing purposes.

Events Committee

The Health Law Society’s Events Committee’s goal is to organize HLS events, and reach out to local alumni and other attorneys to form new connections for HLS speakers. Members of this committee include: Markeya Fowler, Erin Lewis-Faupel, and Kyla Miller. Stay tuned for our next issue to find out more about our committee members.
FEATURED BEAZLEY FACULTY MEMBER

Professor Barbara J. Youngberg

Professor Youngberg holds a B.S. in Nursing from Illinois Wesleyan, a M.S.W. from the University of Illinois, and J.D. from DePaul University College of Law. She worked as an ICU and ER nurse before law school and gained valuable clinical experience that has translated into her work as the Academic Director for the online health law program, particularly the skills of organization and time management. Her background also allows her to relate to both sides of every health law issue – the legal and clinical side. She realized her interest in the law through externships while pursuing her M.S.W. While in the MSW program she worked as a federal parole and probation officer, following up with parolees and individuals on probation to verify that they were in compliance with court directive. She also worked as a police social worker for the Maywood Police Department where she accompanied police persons on police arrests involving mental and behavioral issues. She is passionate about the healthcare field, because the most joyful and tragic moments occur in hospitals, and even on the worst day, she felt like she had a positive impact on her patients.

Professor Youngberg has been with the Beazley Institute since 2009, and loves working at Loyola, because of the great students and warm community feel. Her advice to 1Ls is to study hard, network, and get to know Prof. Singer. She advises students to take advantage of the resources available to them, especially the opportunity to become better legal writers through Legal Writing courses and various Law Reviews.

Professor Youngberg is from Chicago, IL, and when she is not at Loyola, she enjoys spending time with her daughter and two dogs, traveling, cooking ethnic cuisines, and trying new restaurants – she recently dined at Sunda and highly recommends it. Her favorite vacation destination is Aruba and she likes to scuba dive there.

Students interested in having Professor Youngberg as a professor can enroll in Risk Management, Patient Safety and Quality or Health Care Regulation and Policy.

SPRING HEALTH LAW COURSES FOR 2LS & 3LS

Corporate Transactions in Health Law (LAW 711)
Health Law Directed Study (LAW 713)
Health Law Graduate Externship (LAW 714)
Mental Health Law (LAW 717)
Annals of Health Law Executive Editors (LAW 727)
Health Care Litigation and Medical Malpractice (LAW 729)
Annals of Health Law Senior Editors (LAW 733)
Annals of Health Law Members (LAW 734)
Health Information Privacy and Technology (LAW 739)
Introduction to Health Justice (LAW 754)
Health Law Project (LAW 755)
Interdisciplinary Health Law Advocacy (LAW 756)
Advanced Health Justice Project (LAW 757)
Health Justice Policy (LAW 761)
Advanced Health Justice Policy (LAW 766)
Topics in Long Term Health Care (LAW 768)
Administrative Law and Health Care Regulation (LAW 793)
Health Law Colloquium (LAW 799)

Upcoming Spring Events
- American Red Cross Blood Drive
- Health Law Career Panel
- Bioethics in Film Series
- Northwestern Law and Loyola Law Meetup
- Safety Net Hospital Tour
- HLS Big Sib/Little Sib Mixer

Upcoming IAHA Events

Career Tips
- Read Careers in Health Law by Prof. Larry Singer, Megan Bess, and Kristin Finn – use code CHL20 to save 20% at www.ShopABA.org
- Join the IAHA and AHLA
- Attend IAHA Events
- Meet with your Career Counselor
- Attend Career Panels
- Participate in Mock Interviews

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- Meet the HLS Events Committee
- Spring Events Recap