Symposium on the Use of Prisoners and Vulnerable Populations for Medical Research

An Interdisciplinary Discussion among Activists, Community Members, and Scholars to Address Ethical, Legal, and Human Rights Questions Surrounding Experimentation on Vulnerable Human Subjects

February 14-15, 2008
Old Main Chapel
CU-Boulder

Speakers:

Thursday, 4:00-6:00, Opening Plenary
George Annas, Boston University School of Public Health, "American Vertigo: Promoting Prisoner Research in the Midst of the Global War on Terror and in the Wake of Nuremberg and Geneva"

Friday, 9:00-10:30, Panel: Theoretical and Historical Context
Steve Miles, Center for Bioethics, University of Minnesota – "Interrogation Research and the War on Terror Prisons"
Vanessa Northington Gamble, GW University – "A Narrative on Vulnerability: Changing the Discourse in Research Ethics"

11:00-12:30, Panel: Vulnerable Populations Respond
Vera Hassner Sharav, Alliance for Human Research Protection – "Why Children Are At High Risk of Experimental Harm?"
Harriet Washington, Author of "Medical Apartheid" – Title TBA
Leodus Jones, Former incarcerated person and subject of experimentation – Title TBA

2:00-3:30, Panel: The IOM Report on Research Involving Prisoners
Jeffrey Metzner, CU-Denver – "The Institute of Medicine (IOM) Report: A Summary of Proposed Changes"
George Annas, Boston U – "We’re Not Nazis: Rewriting the Nuremberg Code’s Consent Requirement for Prisoners"

4:00-6:00, Closing Plenary
Dorothy Roberts, Northwestern University Law School, "Prison Research and the Biopolitics of Race"

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