# Intensive Course in Health and Human Rights June 17 - 20, 2002

# Learn How to Incorporate a Human Rights Framework into Your Professional Activities

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#### Overview

#### **Presented in Collaboration with:**

<u>The François-Xavier Bagnoud Center for Health and Human Rights</u>
The Boston University School of Public Health, Health Law Department

# Course Objectives

This rigorous 4-day program helps a wide range of professionals acquire the skills and background knowledge they need to successfully incorporate a human rights framework into their daily activities. Participants will acquire a basic understanding of both the history and present status of international human rights and international humanitarian law as they apply to public health

practice. The faculty will show participants how to:

- analyze the human rights dimensions of public health policies and programs
- access international mechanisms and procedures to further human rights of persons whose health status is threatened

# About the Program

Expert faculty members create a dynamic learning environment where a large body of material is covered in a short amount of time.

## The course progresses from general to specific topics:

- Basic Concepts of Health and Human Rights
- Application of the Human Rights Framework to Public Health Policies and Programs
- Skills for Putting the Health and Human Rights Linkage into Practice
- Institutional Settings for Linking Health and Human Rights
- The Way Ahead: Making the Health-Human Rights Linkage Work

# On Tuesday and Wednesday, small group sessions address:

- HIV/AIDS, Human Rights and Vulnerability
- Health and Human Rights Responses to Humanitarian Emergencies
- Reproductive Rights and Gender Issues
- Health Aspects of Implementing Rights of the Child
- Human Rights in Economic Development
- A Human Rights Approach to the Design, Implementation and Evaluation of Health Policies and Programs
- Identifying and Treating Survivors of Torture and Refugee Trauma
- Disaster Management and Humanitarian Relief
- Human Rights Analysis of International Genetics Research
- How to Bring a Case to the United Nations

These small groups provide an opportunity for direct interaction with the faculty and with your peers. Repeated offerings allow you to attend more than one session of interest. The individualized attention you receive in the Intensive Course in Health and Human Rights will help you formulate a strategy for implementation of your newly acquired knowledge and skills in your professional work.

# Put Your Principles into Your Practice

If you want to discover realistic ways to apply a human rights framework, be sure to attend the Intensive Course in Health and Human Rights. Space is limited, so reserve your place today. Register before May 21 and save \$200 off the price of tuition.

## Who Should Attend

- policy makers
- service providers

- legal and health practitioners
- administrators
- government agency officials
- staff and officers of international institutions and NGOs
- public officials
- activists and researchers
- clinical practitioners
- community health leaders

#### Course Fee

\$995 if you register before May 21st \$1195 if you register after May 21st

Scholarships available — Scholarships for tuition may be available for those individuals who would not be able to attend without financial assistance. The deadline for scholarship submission is April 17, 2002. We are unable to provide assistance for travel or lodging. We will notify you as soon as possible of the Scholarship Committee's decision on your application.

#### Course fee includes:

- comprehensive take-home reference manual
- comprehensive take home reader
- course materials
- lunches and refreshment breaks
- Harvard certificate of attendance

## Continuing Education Credit

The Harvard School of Public Health is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education to provide continuing medical education for physicians. The Center for Continuing Professional Education designates this educational activity for a maximum of 21 hours in category 1 credit towards the AMA Physician's Recognition Award.

# **A**genda

# Monday, June 17

8:00 am Registration

9:00 Welcome and Opening Remarks – Faculty

9:30 The Link Between Health and Human Rights - Grodin

10:30 Break

- 10:45 I. Basic Concepts of Health and Human Rights Origin & Philosophical Premises of International Human Rights Marks
- 11:45 Biomedical and Public Health Models Annas
- 12:30 pm Lunch with faculty
- 1:45 Content, Means and Methods of International Human Rights Gruskin
- 2:45 Break
- 3:00 Human Rights Strategies in Conflict and Disaster Areas Onyango
- 4:00 Value and Impact of Linking Health and Human Rights Faculty
- 5:00 Reception

## Tuesday, June 18

9:00 am II. Application of the Human Rights Framework to Public Health Policies and Programs Overview of Application of the Human Rights Framework to Public Health Policies – Gruskin Introduction of Small Group Session Topics – Faculty

10:00 Break

- 10:30 Small group sessions:
- a. A Human Rights Approach to the Design, Implementation and Evaluation of Health Policies and Programs Gruskin
- b. Health and Human Rights Responses to Humanitarian Emergencies Onyango
- c. Reproductive Rights and Gender Issues Annas
- d. Health Aspects of Implementing Rights of the Child Grodin
- e. Human Rights in Economic Development Marks
- 12:00 pm Lunch
- 1:30 Small group sessions:
- a. HIV/AIDS, Human Rights and Vulnerability Gruskin
- b. Identifying and Treating Survivors of Torture and Refugee Trauma Grodin
- c. Humanitarian Relief: Injecting the Human Rights Perspective Onyango
- d. Human Rights Analysis of International Genetics Research Annas
- e. How to Bring a Case to the United Nations Marks
- 3:00 Break
- 3:30 Human Rights Aspects of International Biomedical Research Annas, Grodin

## 4:30 Summary

## Wednesday, June 19

9:00 am III. Skills for Putting the Linkage into Practice Skills Acquisition for Linking Health and Human Rights – Marks

10:00 Break

10:30 Repeat of Small Group Sessions of Tuesday morning

12:00 pm Lunch

1:30 Repeat of Small Group Sessions of Tuesday afternoon

3:00 Break

3:15 IV. Institutional Settings for Linking Health and Human Rights Impacts of Globalization on Health and Human Rights – Marks

Human Rights Strategies of International Health Agencies: The Examples of UNAIDS and WHO-Gruskin

Health and Human Rights Considerations of International Cooperation in Bioethics – Annas

4:45 Summary

## Thursday, June 20

9:00 am V. The Way Ahead: Making the Health-Human Rights Linkage Work Health and Human Rights Information Sources – Grodin

10:00 Break

10:15 Human Rights as a Transformative Strategy – Marks

11:00 Strategies for Participants' Implementation of Acquired Knowledge and Skills in Their Professional Work – Gruskin

11:45 Course Evaluation and Closing – Grodin, Marks