

Participant Biographies
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Scott A. Allen, M.D., FACP
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Scott A. Allen, M.D. is a Clinical Professor of Medicine at the University of California, Riverside School of Medicine. He has worked in the field of correctional health for the past fifteen years, including eight years as a full time correctional physician, three of which were as Medical Director for the state of Rhode Island. He co-founded the Center for Prisoner Health and Human Rights at Brown University and works with Physicians for Human Rights, the International Committee of the Red Cross among others on understanding proper roles for physicians and other health professionals in prisons and detention settings.

David Annas, M.D., MPH
Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Forensic Psychiatry
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David Annas Graduated from Boston University School of Medicine in 2007, completed Adult Psychiatric Residency at the University of Michigan in 2010, and completed his fellowship training in Forensic Psychiatry at SUNY Upstate Medical University, in Syracuse NY, in 2011.

He has worked in many correctional sites in the state of New York. These include the state's only facility to treat prisoners who require inpatient psychiatric care (Central New York Psychiatric Center in Marcy, NY), Auburn Correctional Facility, and the Onondaga County Justice Center. His duties in these locations have included providing treatment, evaluating prisoners for treatment over objection, initial competence to stand trial evaluations for pre-trial detainees, as well as evaluations for restoration to competency for trial, in addition to performing risk assessments. He is currently working at Hutchings Psychiatric Center, a state psychiatric hospital in Syracuse, NY. Specifically, his unit is primarily dedicated to the care of patients who have been found not responsible by reason of mental disease or defect and are in the process of stepping down from a forensic to a civil hospital.

He is also on the faculty of SUNY Upstate Medical University's Department of Psychiatry, where he gives lectures on landmark legal cases and related topics in Forensic Psychiatry for current fellows, and supervises medical students in their 3rd and 4th year Psychiatry rotations.

George J. Annas (conference organizer)
Co-Founder, Global Lawyers & Physicians
Professor, Boston University School of Public Health

George Annas, William Fairfield Warren Distinguished Professor at Boston University, is Chair of the Department of Health Law, Bioethics & Human Rights of Boston University School of Public Health, and Professor in the Boston University School of Medicine, and School of Law. He is the cofounder of Global Lawyers and Physicians, a transnational professional association of lawyers and physicians working together to promote human rights and health. He has degrees from Harvard College (A.B. economics, '67), Harvard Law School (J.D. '70) and Harvard School of Public Health (M.P.H. '72). Professor Annas is the author or editor of 18 books on health law and bioethics, including *Worst Case Bioethics: Death, Disaster, and Public Health* (2010). He is a member of the Institute of Medicine, and a member of the Committee on Human Rights of the National Academies.

Thomas E. Beam, M.D.
COL (ret) MC, US Army
Editor of Military Medical Ethics

Dr. Thomas E. Beam retired from the U. S. Army in 2001 after 30 years of service as a general surgeon. While he was on active duty, he directed the Borden Institute, Office of the Surgeon General, producing the Textbook of Military Medicine series and other special projects for the Army Surgeon General. His 2 volume *Textbook of Military Medical Ethics* in that series was published in 2003 and has had excellent reviews. He was the Consultant to the Army Surgeon General in medical ethics. Dr. Beam was also the Chairman, Hospital Ethics Committee for the Walter Reed Army Medical Center for almost ten years. He continues to be active in ethics education, ethics consultation, and policy formation in military medical ethics. He is a Fellow of The Center for Bioethics and Human Dignity and member of the Christian Medical and Dental Associations, currently serving on their Ethics Commission. He is a past chairman of this commission, having served for 5 years in that capacity. His bioethical interests include the physician-patient relationship, end-of-life issues, personhood, and military medical ethics.

Dr. Beam received his B.A. summa cum laude in premedical studies, biology, and chemistry from Western Maryland College and then received his M.D. from the University of Virginia. He served a residency in general surgery at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, graduating as the center's outstanding resident for 1980. He is an Assistant Professor of Surgery in the Uniformed Services University for the Health Sciences. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Surgery and is a fellow in the American College of Surgery.

Ronald R. Blanck, DO, MACP, LTG (Ret) USA
Chair, Board of Regents
Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

Dr. Ronald Blanck currently serves as vice chairman and a partner of Martin, Blanck & Associates. Previously, Dr. Blanck served as president of the University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth from 2000 to 2006 and remains a professor in UNT's Department of Internal Medicine.

Prior to joining the University of North Texas, Dr. Blanck served for 32 years in the US Army, culminating with his selection as the Army Surgeon General. Throughout his Army career, Dr. Blanck held a variety of administrative, academic and clinical positions, including: commander of Walter Reed Army Medical Center and North Atlantic Regional Medical Command; director of Professional Services and chief of Medical Corps Affairs in the Office of the Surgeon General; chief of the Department of Medicine at Brooke Army Medical Center; and service as a general medical officer during the Vietnam War. His military honors include: the Bronze Star (1969), Army Commendation Medal (2), Meritorious Service Medal (2), Legion of Merit (3), Distinguished Service Medal (2), and the Defense Superior Service Medal (1979).

Dr. Blanck has also held a variety of academic appointments at USU, the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, Howard University, George Washington University and Georgetown University. Dr. Blanck received his Bachelor of Science from Juniata College (1963) and a Doctorate of Osteopathic Medicine from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (1967). He completed an internship at the Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital and his residency in internal medicine at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

Dr. Blanck is a master and past governor of the American College of Physicians. Additionally, he is a member of the American Medical Association, American Osteopathic Association, the Society of Medical Consultants to the Armed Forces, and the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States.

Sondra S. Crosby, M.D. (conference organizer)
Associate Professor of Medicine and Public Health
Boston University

Dr. Sondra Crosby is an Associate Professor of Medicine and Public Health, at the Boston University Schools of Medicine and Public Health, in the Departments of Medicine, and Health Law, Bioethics, and Human Rights, and a member of the Section of General Internal Medicine at Boston Medical Center. She is board certified in internal medicine. Dr. Crosby has taught both nationally and internationally on caring for survivors of torture and on performing forensic medical evaluations. She is co-founder and co-director of the Boston University Forensic Medical Evaluation Group. Dr. Crosby has consulted on the care of hunger strikers in detention, in both state prison and Guantanamo Bay, as well as overseas.

Dr. Crosby has served as a consultant to Physicians for Human Rights, and has evaluated the effects of torture, cruel, inhuman, and degrading treatment and displacement on Darfuri women, Syrian refugees living in Turkey and Jordan, and former detainees in US detention at Guantanamo Bay, and at other sites in Iraq and Afghanistan. Furthermore, she served as a medical forensic expert for the Bahrain Independent Commission of Inquiry, investigating allegations of torture.

Joseph J. Fins, M.D., M.A.C.P.
Chief, Division of Medical Ethics
Weill Cornell Medical College

Dr. Joseph J. Fins is The E. William Davis, Jr. M.D. Professor of Medical Ethics and Chief of the Division of Medical Ethics at Weill Cornell Medical College where he also serves as Professor of Medicine, Professor of Public Health and Professor of Medicine in Psychiatry. He the founding Chair of the Ethics Committee of New York-Presbyterian Weill Cornell Medical Center where he serves as an Attending Physician and Director of Medical Ethics. He is a member of the Adjunct Faculty of Rockefeller University, a Senior Attending Physician at The Rockefeller University Hospital and Co-Directs, the Consortium for the Advanced Study of Brain Injury (*CASBI*) at Weill Cornell and Rockefeller.

Dr. Fins is an elected Member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences and a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Dr. Fins was graduated from Wesleyan University (B.A. with Honors, The College of Letters, 1982) and Cornell University Medical College (M.D., 1986). He completed his residency in Internal Medicine and Fellowship in General Internal Medicine at The New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center. He is a Diplomat of the American Board of Internal Medicine and was recertified in 2012.

The author of over 250 publications, his most recent book is *A Palliative Ethic of Care: Clinical Wisdom at Life's End* (Jones and Bartlett, 2006) and *Rights Come to Mind: Brain Injury, Ethics & The Struggle for Consciousness* to be published in 2014 by The Cambridge University Press.

Dr. Fins is Immediate President of the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities and on The Hastings Center Board of Trustees where he is Chair of the Fellows' Council. He is a *Trustee Emeritus* of Wesleyan University, which has honored him with its Distinguished Alumnus Award, and a Master of the American College of Physicians.

Virginia L. Hood, M.D.
Professor of Medicine
University of Vermont College of Medicine

Virginia L. Hood, MBBS, MPH, MACP, FRACP, FRCP Edin, a physician from Burlington, Vermont is a Professor of Medicine at University of Vermont College of Medicine and a nephrologist at Fletcher Allen Health Care.

She cares for patients with chronic kidney disease, other kidney, blood pressure and fluid and electrolyte disorders. She teaches acid-base physiology, epidemiology, ethics, and internal medicine to medical students, residents and community physicians.

Her scholarly activity has included acid-base metabolism research, health promotion research in diabetes prevention, blood pressure control quality improvement activities and presentations on medical ethics and professionalism.

She has had a longstanding interest in patient participation and building partnerships that foster patient-centered care. She is President Emerita of the American College of Physicians (ACP) and a past chair of the Ethics, Professionalism and Human Rights committee and the International Council. Most recently she has been a strong advocate for the ACP High Value Care Initiative.

A medical graduate of the University of Sydney, she completed internal medicine residency training at Mater Misericordiae Hospital, North Sydney and a nephrology fellowship at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney. Dr. Hood also received a Master's degree in Public Health from the Harvard School of Public Health, Boston MA.

Robert S. Lawrence, M.D.
Center for a Livable Future Professor
Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

Bob Lawrence graduated from Harvard College and Harvard Medical School and trained in internal medicine at the Massachusetts General Hospital. After serving in the CDC's Epidemic Intelligence Service as a malaria epidemiologist in Central America, Bob joined the faculty of medicine at UNC-Chapel Hill as the medical director of a rural health services project funded by the Office of Economic Opportunity. In 1974 he returned to Harvard Medical School to direct its new Division of Primary Care and from 1980-1991 simultaneously serve as chief of medicine at Cambridge Hospital. From 1991-1995 he was the director of health sciences for the Rockefeller Foundation, overseeing grant making in Asia, Africa, and Latin America. In 1995 he was appointed Associate Dean for Professional Education and Programs at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, a position he held until 2006. In 1996 Bob established the Center for a Livable Future (CLF) to focus on the public health effects of our current food system. The CLF supports research, education, policy development, and advocacy on the interrelationships among food production, the environment, diet, and the health of the public.

In 1984 Bob joined Jonathan Fine and four others to found Physicians for Human Rights (PHR). He has participated in human rights investigations in El Salvador, Guatemala, Chile, South Africa, Egypt, Czechoslovakia, the Philippines, and Kosovo. In 1997 PHR shared the Nobel Peace Prize for its work to ban anti-personnel landmines. Bob has served on the PHR board of directors three times, twice as board chair. Since 1996 Bob has taught a seminar in health and human rights at Hopkins and integrates a human rights framework with his leadership of the CLF.

Bob is a member of the Institute of Medicine, a Master of the American College of Physicians, and a Fellow of the American College of Preventive Medicine. He lives with his wife Cynthia in Baltimore.

Jeremy A. Lazarus, M.D.
Immediate Past President
American Medical Association

Jeremy A. Lazarus, M.D., a board-certified psychiatrist in private practice in Denver, served as the 167th president of the American Medical Association from June 2012 to June 2013, after serving as speaker of the AMA House of Delegates from 2007 to 2011 and vice speaker from 2003 to 2007. He is a past

president of the Colorado Medical Society, the Colorado Psychiatric Society and the Arapahoe County Medical Society.

His experience in both psychiatry and private practice has enabled Dr. Lazarus to serve in multiple capacities as an effective advocate in organized medicine. Dr. Lazarus, who has been one of the AMA's chief spokespersons on the uninsured, currently is co-chair of the Commission to End Health Care Disparities and the AMA's representative to the Joining Forces initiative, a program of the nation's first lady that assists veterans with traumatic brain injury, post-traumatic stress disorder and post-combat depression.

A distinguished fellow and past speaker of the assembly of the American Psychiatric Association (APA), Dr. Lazarus is the author of numerous publications on ethics, economics and managed care issues. His most recent book is *Entering Private Practice: A Handbook for Psychiatrists*.

Born in Chicago, Dr. Lazarus attended Northwestern University, where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in chemistry. He received a medical degree with honors in psychiatry from the University of Illinois College of Medicine. Following a mixed medical internship at Michael Reese Hospital in Chicago, he became chief resident and teaching fellow at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center (UCHSC) in Denver. He is a clinical professor of psychiatry at the University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine and a voluntary professor of psychiatry at the University of Miami Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine.

Personal accomplishments include being a 13-time Ironman Triathlon finisher, 13-time marathon finisher, and a professional musician and singer.

Dr. Lazarus received the Colorado Psychiatric Society Outstanding Achievement Award in 2008 and the APA Distinguished Service Award in 2012. In 2013 he received the Distinguished Achievement Award from the University of Colorado Medical Alumni Association. Dr. Lazarus and his wife, Debbie, are the proud parents of three sons and have eight very special grandchildren.

John P. May, M.D., FACP
Chief Medical Officer
Armor Correctional Health Services, Inc.

Dr. John P. May is Chief Medical Officer for Armor Correctional Health Services (www.armorcorrectional.com) of Miami, a provider of health care services in jails and prisons across the United States. Board certified in Internal Medicine, and credentialed by the American Academy of HIV Medicine, Dr. May is also a Clinical Associate Professor of Medicine at NOVA Southeastern University College of Medicine in South Florida and Affiliated Professor, Office of Applied Health, Emory University Rollins School of Public Health. He has been an expert for the United States Department of Justice Civil Rights Division investigating conditions of confinement and has an extensive career in correctional medicine beginning in 1992 until the present.

He is a past chair of the International Relations Committee of the American Correctional Association (www.aca.org), and currently a Board Member of the International Corrections and Prison Association (www.icpa.ca). In 2005, he co-founded Health through Walls (www.healththroughwalls.org), a nonprofit organization of correctional health care professionals who volunteer and provide consultation and health care services in the prisons of developing countries. Recent projects operate in the prisons of Haiti, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Romania, Ghana, and the Democratic Republic of Congo. In 2008, his work was recognized with a special service award from the U.S. Ambassador to Haiti.

Jeffrey L. Metzner, M.D.
Clinical Professor of Psychiatry
University of Colorado School of Medicine

Jeffrey L. Metzner received his M.D. from the University of Maryland Medical School in 1975 and completed his psychiatric residency at the University of Colorado's Department of Psychiatry during 1979. He is a Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Colorado School of Medicine in Denver, Colorado, where he is also Associate Director of the forensic fellowship program.

Dr. Metzner has provided consultation to judges, special masters, monitors, state departments of corrections, city and county jails, U.S. Department of Justice, the National Prison Project, and others involved in the field of correctional psychiatry in over 36 states. Dr. Metzner was a member (2006) of the Institute of Medicine Committee on Ethical Considerations for Revisions to DHHS Regulations for Protection of Prisoners Involved in Research.

Dr. Metzner has written extensively on the psychiatric care of prison populations. He was on the American Psychiatric Association's task force that published the first edition of guidelines for Psychiatric Services in Jails and Prisons (1989). Dr. Metzner is the current author of Appendix E: Mental Health Considerations for Segregated Inmates, in Standards for Mental Health Services in Correctional Facilities published by the National Commission on Correctional Healthcare (2008).

Steven H. Miles, M.D.
Professor of Medicine
University of Minnesota Medical School

Steven H. Miles, M.D. is Professor of Medicine and Maas Family Foundation Chair in Bioethics at the Center for Bioethics and the Department of Medicine at the University of Minnesota Medical School. He is author of Oath Betrayed: America's Torture Doctors. He manages The Physicians who Torture Accountability Project (www.doctorswhotorture.com). He is on the Board of the Center for Victims of Torture in Minneapolis. He has served as President of the American Society of Bioethics and Humanities and received its Distinguished Service Award.

Professor Vivienne Nathanson
Director of Professional Activities
British Medical Association

Professor Vivienne Nathanson qualified at Middlesex Hospital Medical School in London, 1978 and then spent five and a half years in various hospital medical posts before joining the British Medical Association staff in 1984. She is now Director of Professional Activities at the BMA, which encompasses all the professional areas of work of the BMA including Ethics, Science, Medical Education, Public Health, Doctors' Health, Equal Opportunities, International Affairs and Conferencing. She is Honorary Professor of Ethics in the School for Health at Durham University. Professor Nathanson chaired the BMA Steering Group on Human Rights and was a member of Council and Council Executive of the International Rehabilitation Council for the Care of Victims of Torture between 1996 and 2009. She lectures extensively (Including at Cambridge and Durham) on ethics and human rights and has contributed chapters to textbooks on ethics and human rights. She has taught several programmes with the International Committee of the Red Cross, eg on ethics for doctors new to ICRC missions and human rights in prison settings. She has been an expert witness to Select Committees of the Houses of Lords and of Commons on wide variety of issues, including the rights of refugees to health care and medical ethics issues such as abortion law, euthanasia and assisted suicide, and to public enquiries on the abuse of prisoners of the UK military, and viral transmission in blood products.

Marc Sageman, M.D., PhD
Forensic Psychiatrist
Consultant on terrorism

Marc Sageman is an independent consultant on terrorism and the founder of Sageman Consulting, LLC. After a year at the U.S. Secret Service, he was the New York Police Department's first "scholar in residence" for over a year. For three and a half years, he was the special advisor to the U.S. Army Deputy Chief of Staff (Intelligence) on the "insider threat," including terrorists and spies. In the fall of 2012, he was ISAF Political Scientist looking at the Insider Threat in Afghanistan.

After graduating from Harvard, he obtained an M.D. and a Ph.D. in sociology from New York University. He was a flight surgeon in the U.S. Navy and a case officer at the Central Intelligence Agency for seven years. He spent three years supporting the Afghan Mujahedin resistance against the Soviet occupation. He returned to medicine and completed a residency in psychiatry at the University of Pennsylvania. He is a forensic and clinical psychiatrist and taught course on law and psychiatry, Holocaust perpetrators and terrorism at the University of Pennsylvania and Columbia University at both graduate and undergraduate levels.

He is the author of Understanding Terror Networks and Leaderless Jihad and several studies on the process of radicalization. He testified before both the 9/11 Commission in the U.S. and the Beslan Commission in Russia. He has extensively consulted with most national security agencies in the U.S. and the West as well as law enforcement agencies. He has lectured at dozens of universities in the U.S. and abroad.

Albert J. Shimkus, Jr.
Associate Professor, National Security Affairs
Naval War College

Professor Albert J. Shimkus, Jr. joined the National Security Affairs (NSA) faculty in December 2006 and was appointed Course Director for the Policy Making and Process (PMP) and Contemporary Staff Environment (CSE) courses in May 2007. He now teaches in the Leadership sub-courses. He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1965 and completed a tour of duty at Bien Hoa Air Base, RVN in 1967 and 1968. After earning an honorable discharge he attended and subsequently graduated from Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, Worcester, MA and Salem State College, Salem, MA with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Professor Shimkus received a direct commission in the Navy as a Lieutenant Junior Grade in 1977 and was assigned to Naval Hospital Annapolis, M.D. where he practiced in the intensive care unit. He graduated from George Washington University in 1981 with a Bachelor of Science in Nurse Anesthesia and practiced as a nurse anesthetist (CRNA) for over 25 years with numerous tours in support of deployed forces. He earned an MA in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College in 1993. He had numerous leadership tours while on active duty to include executive officer, U.S. Naval Hospital, Naples, Italy; commanding officer, U.S. Naval Hospital, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba and joint task force surgeon, JTF GTMO; Navy Medicine's team leader for BRAC 2005; deputy commandant, Naval District Washington; and commanding officer, medical treatment facility USNS COMFORT. Professor Shimkus taught in the Naval War College's National Security Decision Making Department for 2 years as a military faculty member and in the College of Distance Education for 6 years. Professor Shimkus retired from the Navy as a Captain (06) in 2007 after a 39 year career. Professor Shimkus is also a member of a Task Force sponsored by The Institute on Medicine as a Profession and The Open Society Foundations examining the ethics health care professionals in the context of Joint Task Force Guantanamo. He has lectured extensively on the topic of "The Military Health Care Provider and Dual Loyalties."

Gerald E. Thomson, M.D. (conference organizer)
Professor of Medicine Emeritus
Columbia University

Dr Gerald Thomson is the Lambert and Sonneborn Professor of Medicine Emeritus and former Senior Associate Dean at Columbia University. He was previously Chief of Staff and Executive Vice President for Professional Affairs at the Columbia University Medical Center and before that Director of Medicine at Harlem Hospital Center. Dr. Thomson served on numerous National Institutes of Health and regional committees on hypertension, cardiovascular disease, clinical trials, end stage renal failure, and public hospitals. He was Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Institute on Medicine as a Profession (IMAP) from 2003-2011 and served on the 2011-2013 IMAP Task Force on Medical Professionalism and Detainee Abuse in the War on Terror. Dr. Thomson is a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies (IOM) and was Chairman of a 2004 IOM committee that reviewed and reported on the Health Disparities Research Plan of the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Thomson served as a member of the Constitution Project Task Force on Detainee Treatment which issued its report in April 2013. He is a former Chairman of the American Board of Internal Medicine and past President of the American College of Physicians.

Hans Wolff, M.D., MPH
Division of Penitentiary Medicine
Geneva University Hospitals

Dr. Wolff is the head of the Division of Penitentiary Medicine at the Geneva University Hospitals, Switzerland and the vice-president of the Conference of Swiss Prison Doctors. He is member of the Committee of Prevention of Torture (CPT) of the Council of Europe and also member of the Central Ethics Committee of the Swiss Academy of Medical Sciences. His main research interests include access to health care for vulnerable populations. Particularly he works on addiction and infectious diseases, mental health and human rights in custody.

Stephen N. Xenakis, M.D. (conference organizer)
Brigadier General (Ret.), U.S. Army

Dr. Xenakis is a psychiatrist with an active clinical and consulting practice. He is the Founder of the Center for Translational Medicine that develops treatments and conducts tests on brain related conditions affecting soldiers and veterans. He has been a senior adviser to the Department of Defense on wide range of issues concerning the care and support to service members and their families. Retiring at the rank of brigadier general, he served 28 years in the United States Army as a medical corps officer. Dr. Xenakis has been written widely on medical ethics, military medicine, and treatment of detainees, including book chapters and legal reviews. He is currently working on the clinical applications of quantitative electroencephalography (QEEG) to brain injury and neurobehavioral conditions and promoting integrative care programs for veterans. Dr. Xenakis is an Adjunct Professor at the Uniformed Services of Health Sciences of the military medical department. He is a graduate of Princeton University and the University of Maryland School of Medicine.