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LETTER FROM THE EDITORS

Dear *Health Law & Policy* Reader:

On behalf of the editorial board and staff, we proudly present Volume 4, Issue 1 of *Health Law and Policy*. The publication of our seventh issue comes just as history was made with the passage of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. With health care reform finally a reality, it is an incredibly exciting time to be in the field of health law. Although the health care reform legislation expands coverage to 32 million uninsured Americans, creates health insurance exchanges, and prevents insurers from screening patients with preexisting conditions, several items remain unsettled. Several pieces of this legislation will not be implemented until 2014 leaving the details and true impact of reform to be seen.

Our current issue covers health care reform and provides articles that delve into a wide range of issues and assert diverse perspectives. Our first article provides an excellent summary of the saga to pass health care reform. The second piece tackles an extremely divisive and timely topic; the legislative battle to legalize marijuana in Washington, D.C. Our third article provides a unique and valuable perspective on disability and the right to reproduce. This issue also includes a comparative piece on international second hand smoke legislation and an article arguing in favor of legalizing prescription drug importation. Our last article, written by a member of the editorial board, examines the controversial topic of pregnancy discrimination.

We would like to thank our staff for their hard work on this issue and our advisor, Professor Corrine Parver, Esq., for her dedication both to this publication and to her students in furthering an understanding of health law issues. This is our last issue together as co-editors in chief and we hope you enjoy reading it as much as we have enjoyed working together over this last year.

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