Dear Health Law & Policy Reader:

On behalf of the Editorial Board, it is with great enthusiasm that we present our second issue of Health Law & Policy. The articles in this issue reflect a fresh and highly responsive perspective to new developments in the ever-changing field of health care law. Since health care is a major issue in the current presidential candidate debate, and an important topic of concern in everyday discourse, we strived to create a publication that would inform individuals and illustrate the myriad of ways in which these topics influence our lives.

This issue consists of an impressive range of innovative practitioner and student articles. It includes a focus on international law through an article exploring medical neutrality and the struggles of the ‘Benghazi Six,’ medical workers who were sentenced to death for allegedly infecting Libyan children with the HIV virus. Concerns about the role of medical workers conveyed in this article parallel domestic discussions about the role of medical personnel that students, professors, and practitioners frequently address through academia and in the practice of law. For instance, a well-renowned United States physician recently faced public outcry for performing medical procedures that attenuated the growth of a nine-year-old girl at her parents’ request. Finally, one of the most salient issues today is the debate over a universal health care system; accordingly, we feature an article that profiles universal health care programs around the globe and queries whether universal health care is the best solution to the medical problems in the United States.

Each year, more students at the Washington College of Law (WCL) are discovering that the health care field makes for an exciting academic and professional career. Health Law & Policy continues to serve as a testament to the ever-increasing appreciation of the health law field. As health care opportunities and interests continue to expand at WCL, we look forward to ushering in a new generation of law students to move Health Law & Policy into the future.

We extend our genuine gratitude and thanks to our advisor, Professor Corrine Parver, and to our dedicated staff members for their efforts in making this issue a success. We sincerely hope you enjoy this issue as much as we enjoyed putting it together.

Sincerely,

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