A Healthy Approach to Law

• The Program on Health Policy and Law provides a rich multidisciplinary resource for faculty and students interested in public health law, health and human rights, intellectual property, bioethics, health care quality, access and delivery, and regulation of our health care systems.

• The Public Health Advocacy Institute (PHAI) is an international leader in research and policy related to tobacco control and childhood obesity.

• With Tufts University School of Medicine, Northeastern trains JD/MPH students to use interdisciplinary solutions to combat public health threats.
Northeastern University School of Law welcomes health law experts Kristin Madison and Leo Beletsky to joint appointments with the School of Law and Bouvé College of Health Sciences, as we continue to expand our commitment to the growing field of health policy and law.

Professor of Law and Health Sciences Kristin Madison focuses on health economics, health law and health policy. Much of her research evaluates the implications of health care quality reporting for patients, providers and regulators. Her most recent work examines the law, policy and ethics of employer incentives for healthy behaviors. After receiving a BA from the University of California, Berkeley, Professor Madison worked with the Lewin Group, a health care consulting firm. She then earned a JD from Yale Law School and a PhD in economics from Stanford University. Prior to joining the Northeastern faculty, she was a tenured faculty member at the University of Pennsylvania Law School.

Assistant Professor of Law and Health Sciences Leo Beletsky’s scholarly interest centers on the role of law as a structural determinant of health, and the use of policy interventions to improve population health in a variety of domains, including drug policy, infectious disease prevention, criminal justice and evidence-based health care. Professor Beletsky was previously a faculty member with the Division of Global Public Health at the University of California, San Diego, School of Medicine. He received his AB from Vassar College, MPH from Brown University, JD from Temple University, and his post-doctoral training at the Yale University Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS.