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EDUCATION

Yale University, Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS (New Haven, CT)

Post-Doctoral Trainee | 2008-2010

Temple University School of Law (Philadelphia, PA)

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Tsinghua University School of Law (Beijing, China)

Intensive Program in Chinese Law | 2007-2008

Brown University (Providence, RI)

M.P.H., Graduate School Scholarship | 2004

Oxford University, Lady Margaret Hall (Oxford, UK)

Visiting Student, Faculty of Geography and Institute of Health Sciences | 1998-1999

Vassar College (Poughkeepsie, NY)

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School of Law & Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University (Boston, MA)

Associate Professor of Law and Health Sciences | July 2015 -

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Founder and Director, Health in Justice Action Lab (www.healthinjustice.org) | Sept. 2017 -

Faculty Scholar, Institute on Urban Health Research | Jan. 2012 - Jan. 2014

Visiting Scholar, School of Law, UCLA (Los Angeles, CA) | Aug.-Nov. 2014

UC San Diego School of Medicine, Division of Global Public Health (San Diego, CA)

Adjunct Professor (Research) | Sept. 2010 -

Yale University Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS (New Haven, CT)

Post-Doctoral Associate | Aug. 2008 - Aug. 2010

RAND Corporation (Santa Monica, CA)

Summer Associate, Infrastructure, Safety, and Environment Division | June - Sept. 2007

American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) Foundation of Delaware (Wilmington, DE)

Project Director, "Aligning Public Health, Policing, and Civil Liberties Objectives to Maximize the Impact of Needle Exchange Programs" | April - Oct. 2007

Temple University School of Law (Philadelphia, PA)

Senior Associate | 2005-2007

Brown University (Providence, RI)

Project Director and Qualitative Researcher, “Impact of Syringe Deregulation on Rhode Island’s Law Enforcement” | 2004-2005

Community Voters Project (Miami, FL)

Regional Director and Community Organizer, South Florida | May-Dec., 2004

New York Academy of Medicine, Center for the Advancement of Collaborative Strategies in Health, Division of Public Health (New York, NY)

Project Coordinator | 2002-2004

PUBLICATIONS (* denotes mentee author)

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11. Piñedo M, **Beletsky L**, Alamillo N, et al. Health-damaging policing practices among persons who inject drugs in Mexico: are deported migrants at greater risk? *International Journal of Drug Policy*. 2017;46:41-46. [[download](#)]
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1. **Leo Beletsky**, *21st Century Cures for the Overdose Crisis*, 44 AMERICAN JOURNAL OF LAW & MED _ (in press)
2. **Leo Beletsky**, *Deploying Prescription Drug Monitoring to Address the Overdose Crisis: Ideology Meets Reality*, 15 INDIANA HEALTH LAW REVIEW 139 (2018). [\[download\]](#)
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4. **Leo Beletsky**, Lindsay LaSalle, Michelle Newman*, Janine Paré, James Tam* and Alyssa Tochka, *Fatal Re-Entry: Legal and Programmatic Opportunities to Curb Opioid Overdose among Individuals Newly Released from Incarceration*, 7 NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY LAW JOURNAL 155 (2015). [\[download\]](#)
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SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND TESTIMONY

International

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2. *Prescription Drug Monitoring: Of Law Enforcement, or Public Health?* 40th Annual Meeting of the College on Problems of Drug Dependence, June 19, 2017, Montreal, Canada.
3. *Increased non-fatal overdose risk associated with involuntary drug treatment in a longitudinal study with people who inject drugs in Tijuana, Mexico* (with Claudia Rafful, Ricardo Orozco, et al.), 11th Annual Conference of the International Society for the Study of Drug Policy (ISSDP), May 17-19, 2017, Aarhus, Denmark.
4. *Translating drug policy reform: a qualitative study of police officer perspectives in implementing the Narcomenudeo law reforms in Tijuana, Mexico* (with Mario Morales*, Maria Luisa Mittal*, Teresita Rocha*, et al), 11th Annual Conference of the International Society for the Study of Drug Policy (ISSDP), May 17-19, 2017, Aarhus, Denmark.
5. *Police innovations: harm reduction, or a source of harm?* (with Daniel Werb), 25th International Harm Reduction Conference, May 16, 2017, Montreal, Canada.
6. *Human Rights Violations affecting needle exchange program clients in Tijuana, Mexico* (with Andres Gaeta, et al.), 25th International Harm Reduction Conference, May 16, 2017, Montreal, Canada.
7. *Drug Law Reform: Policy Transformation and Sequencing Challenges*, Canadian Drug Futures Forum, April 4-5, 2017, Ottawa, Canada.
8. *Harm reduction, policy reform and policing practice: the case for Narcomenudeo implementation in Tijuana, Mexico* (with Arredondo, Morales, Rocha, Mittal, Strathdee et al.), Third International Conference on Law Enforcement and Public Health, October 2, 2016, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
9. *Police Education Program to improve the implementation of drug policy reform in Mexico: initial results from a longitudinal assessment* (with Arredondo, Morales, Rocha, Mittal, Strathdee et al.), Third International Conference on Law Enforcement and Public Health, October 2, 2016, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
10. *Occupational hazards of drug law enforcement: needlestick injury and its correlates among police officers in Baltimore, Maryland* (with Cepeda, Sherman, et al.), Third International Conference on Law Enforcement and Public Health, October 4, 2016, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
11. *Gender differences in policing behaviors: implications for HIV prevention in Tijuana, Mexico* (with Rocha,

- Strathdee et al.), 21st International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2016), July 19, 2016, Durban, South Africa.
12. *Police Practices to Support HIV Prevention: Initial Findings from an Assessment of a Police Education Program in a Mexican Setting* (with Magis, Strathdee, et al.), 21st International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2016), July 19, 2016, Durban, South Africa.
 13. *Differential experiences of Mexican policing by people who inject drugs residing in Tijuana and San Diego* (with Emily F. Wood, Dan Werb, Gudelia Rangel, Jazmine Cuevas-Mota, Richard S. Garfein, Steffanie A. Strathdee, Karla D. Wagner), International Society for the Study of Drug Policy (ISSDP), May 18, 2016, Sydney, Australia.
 14. *Drug Law Reform and its Discontents: A Mixed-Methods Assessment of Drug Decriminalization in Mexico*, Department of Social Policy & Intervention, Oxford University, January 20, 2016, Oxford, UK.
 15. *The Doctor's Secret: The Transformation of Patient Confidentiality in Six Post-Soviet States*, Oxford Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, Oxford University, January 21, 2016, Oxford, UK.
 16. *Public Health Approach to Uruguayan and Mexican Drug Policy* (with Claudia Rafful and Steffanie Strathdee), 9th Annual Conference of the International Society for the Study of Drug Policy, May 21, 2015, Ghent, Belgium.
 17. *Assessing the HIV Prevention Potential of Mexico's "Narcomenudeo" Drug Law Reform: Implementation Challenges among People Who Inject Drugs* (with Patricia Gonzalez-Zuniga, Guidelia Rangel, Daniel Werb, Jaime Arredondo, and Steffanie Strathdee), 8th IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment & Prevention, July 20, 2015, Vancouver, Canada.
 18. *Utilization of Google Earth to Georeference Survey Data among People who Inject Drugs: Strategic Application for HIV Research* (with Alicia Vera, Tommi Gaines, Jaime Arredondo, Daniel Werb, Bañuelos, Teresita Rocha T, Maria Luisa Rolon, Daniela Abramovitz, Joseph Amon, Kimberly Brouwer, and Steffanie Strathdee), 8th IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment & Prevention, July 21, 2015, Vancouver, Canada.
 19. *Reframing the HIV Risk Environment through Police Education in Tijuana, Mexico* (with Jaime Arredondo, Steffanie Strathdee, and Daniel Werb), The 2nd International Conference on Law Enforcement and Public Health, October 6, 2014, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
 20. *Approaches to improving adherence to prevention interventions* (with Daniel Werb, Alicia Vera, Jaime Arredondo, Patricia Gonzalez-Zuniga, and Steffanie Strathdee), Annual Meeting of the International AIDS Society, July 12, 2014, Melbourne, Australia.
 21. *Operationalizing the Enabling Environment: A Binational Partnership*. (with Steffanie Strathdee), Annual Meeting of the International AIDS Society, July 11, 2014, Melbourne, Australia.
 22. *HIV, Drugs, and the Legal Environment* (with Steffanie Strathdee and Thomas Kerr), Committee

on Narcotic Drugs, United Nations, March 11, 2014, Vienna, Austria.

23. *Aligning Law Enforcement and Harm Reduction: Research to Practice*, National Conference on Public Health and Law Enforcement, November 12, 2012, Melbourne, Australia.
24. *The Public Health-Human Rights Nexus in the Cross-Border Setting*, US-Mexico Border Health Commission, June 2, 2011, Tijuana, Mexico.
25. *Legal Tools to Address Opioid Overdose*, From Good Programs to Effective Advocacy Forum: Open Society Institute, April 29, 2010, Liverpool, UK.
26. *HIV Risk among Criminalized Populations*, United Nations Development Programme Capacity-Building Workshop, April 12-16, 2009, Dushanbe, Tajikistan.
27. *Human Subjects Protections for Criminalized Populations*, UNAIDS Regional Police and HIV Workshop for Asia and Pacific, February 3-5, 2009, Bangkok, Thailand.
28. *Building Collaboration between HIV Prevention and Uniformed Services Personnel*, UNAIDS Regional Police and HIV Workshop for Asia and Pacific, February 3-5, 2009, Bangkok, Thailand.
29. *Aligning Policing and Public Health: Law Enforcement Training to Promote Occupational Safety and Legal Competency* (with Corey Davis, Scott Burris, and Evan Anderson), 18th International Conference on Reduction of Drug-Related Harm, May 16, 2007, Warsaw, Poland.

National

1. *Involuntary Treatment for Substance Use Disorders in the Age of the Opioid Crisis: Ethical, Legal, and Patient Care Considerations*, Department of Internal Medicine, Yale School of Medicine, May 2, 2018, New Haven, CT.
2. *Supervised Injection Facilities: Legal and Policy Considerations*, US Senate Informational Briefing on Supervised Injection Facilities, March 26, 2018, Washington, DC.
3. *The Use of Law as a Tool to Address the Consequences of Infectious Disease and Addiction*, National Academies of Sciences Workshop on Integrating Infectious Disease Considerations with Response to the Opioid Epidemic, March 13, 2018, Bethesda, MD.
4. *America's Opioid Crisis: A Structural Determinants View*, NIH Workshop on the Contributions of Social and Behavioral Research in Addressing the Opioid Crisis, March 5, 2018, Washington, DC.
5. *Sociocultural and Socioeconomic Underpinnings of the Opioid Crisis in the United States*, Contributions of the Social and Behavioral Research in Addressing the Opioid Crisis, March 5, 2018, Washington, DC.
6. *Policy Responses to the Opioid Crisis: If you aren't outraged, you're not paying attention* (with Sarah

- Seymour), Students for Sensible Drug Policy Annual Conference 2018, March 4, 2018, Baltimore, MD.
7. *21st Century Cures Act as an Intervention to Curb the Opioid Crisis: Theory vs. Reality*, The 21st Century Cures Act: A Cure for the 21st Century?, American Journal of Law and Medicine Symposium, January 26, 2018, Boston, MA.
 8. *Using the Law and Its Enforcement to Address the Overdose Crisis: Emerging Trends and Implications*, 112th Annual Meeting Hot Topic Program, Association of American Law Schools, January 4, 2018, San Diego, CA.
 9. *Murder by Overdose: Deploying Punishment as an Antidote to the Overdose Crisis*, Hall Center for Law and Health Grand Rounds, McKinney School of Law, Indiana University, November 9, 2017, Indianapolis, IN.
 10. *Panacea to Panopticon: Prescription Drug Monitoring in the Age of the Opioid Crisis*, Data Privacy in the Digital Age Symposium, US Department of Health and Human Services, October 26, 2017, Washington, DC.
 11. *Punishment as a Response to the Opioid Crisis: Workshop and Strategic Discussion on Drug-Induced Homicide Laws and Prosecutions* (with Lindsay LaSalle), International Drug Policy Reform Conference, October 13, 2017, Atlanta, GA.
 12. *How does Criminalization affect the Health of People and Communities?* (with Tracie Gardner, Akwasi Osuw-Bempah, Tracy Pugh and Tina Reynolds), International Drug Policy Reform Conference, October 13, 2017, Atlanta, GA.
 13. *Drug War Dragnets and Trans Health: Patient Privacy in the Age of Prescription Monitoring Programs*, The Williams Institute, UCLA School of Law, October 5, 2017, Los Angeles, CA.
 14. *Involuntary Drug Treatment for Individuals with Opioid Use Disorder in Massachusetts: Ethical, Legal, and Public Health Considerations*, Division of Substance Use Disorders, Columbia University Department of Psychiatry, September 14, 2017, New York, NY.
 15. *Police Training as a Structural Intervention to Improve the Drug User Risk Environment: The Tijuana Experience*, Social Intervention Group, Columbia University Mailman School of Public Health, September 14, 2017, New York, NY.
 16. *Involuntary Drug Treatment for Individuals with Opioid Use Disorder in Massachusetts: Ethical, Legal, and Public Health Considerations*, Center for Substance Use and Mental Health Research, Johns Hopkins University, August 28, 2017, Baltimore, MD.
 17. *Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome in the Age of the Opioid Crisis: Policy, Politics and Patient Care*, Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome Symposium, June 14, 2017, San Antonio, TX.
 18. *America's Favorite Antidote: The Role of Punishment as an Overdose Prevention Tool*, Health Law

- Professors Conference, June 9, 2017, Atlanta, GA.
19. *Meeting Them Where They're At: Policing and Harm Reduction in Tijuana, Mexico*, Eighth National Harm Reduction Conference, November 6, 2016, San Diego, CA.
 20. *HIV, Drugs and the Legal Environment*, 2016 High-Level Meeting on Ending AIDS, United Nations General Assembly, June 10, 2016, New York, NY.
 21. *Assessing Police Training on the Mexican "Narcomenudeo" Drug Law Reform among Tijuana Officers* (with Jaime Arredondo, Teresita Rocha, and Steffanie Strathdee), Latin American Studies Association, May 27, 2016, New York, NY.
 22. *Police Knowledge of Legal Marijuana Possession Following Mexican "Narcomenudeo" Drug Law Reform: Initial Findings from an Assessment of a Police Education Program in the Mexico-US Border* (with Mittal et al.), The Cannabis Science & Policy Summit, April 17, 2016, New York, NY.
 23. *Drug Law Reform and its Discontents: A Global Health Perspective on Drug Decriminalization in Mexico*, Los Angeles Global Health Conference, February 6, 2016, Los Angeles, CA.
 24. *Instructional Video to Promote Harm Reduction Knowledge among Tijuana Police* (with Jaime Arredondo, Tommi L. Gaines, Daniel Werb, and Eddie Luchembe), Center for AIDS Research HIV Research Day, October 6, 2015, La Jolla, CA. [[watch video](#)]
 25. *A Tale of Two Cohorts: Assessing the Implementation of Drug Policy Reform in Mexico Using Police and Drug User Data*, RAND Drug Policy Research Center, September 29, 2015, Santa Monica, CA.
 26. *Teaching Public Health Law through Drug Law and Policy*, Health Professors Conference, American Society of Law, Medicine and Ethics. June 28, 2015, St. Louis, MO.
 27. *Examining the spatial-temporal relationship of policing in areas characterized by high drug activity* (with Tommi L. Gaines, Daniel Werb, Jaime Arredondo, and Victor Morales), 77th Annual Meeting, College on Problems of Drug Dependence, June 17, 2015, Phoenix, AZ.
 28. *The Call for Action in Wendy Parmet's Populations, Public Health, and the Law*, Symposium: The Future of Public Health Law, University of Michigan School of Public Health, April 17, 2015, Ann Arbor, MI.
 29. *The Public Health Legacy of Citizens United: Impact or Fallacy?*, UCLA School of Law Faculty Colloquium, November 24, 2014, Los Angeles, CA.
 30. *Legislative Advances and Next Steps in Overdose Response*, National Harm Reduction Pre-Conference on Overdose Prevention, October 22, 2014, Baltimore, MD.
 31. *Increasing Naloxone Availability as a Harm Reduction Measure for Opioid Poisoning*, The American Academy of Clinical Toxicology Annual Meeting, October 20, 2014, New Orleans, LA.

32. *Experiencing Mexico's "Narcomenudeo" Drug Law Reform in Tijuana: Is the Rule of Law Essential to Public Health?*, Thomas Jefferson School of Law Center for Law and Social Justice, September 19, 2014, San Diego, CA.
33. *The Public Health Legacy of Citizens United*, Health Professors Conference, American Society of Law, Medicine and Ethics, June 7, 2014, San Francisco, CA.
34. *OTC Drug Review as a Regulatory Bottleneck: The Case of Naloxone*, Over-The-Counter Drug Monograph System - Past, Present and Future, Food and Drug Administration, March 25, 2014, Silver Spring, MD.
35. *Preventing Opioid Overdose Death: First Responder Use of Naloxone*, Webcast organized by the Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, August 28, 2013, Washington, DC.
36. *Legal Environment as the Risk Environment: Understanding Drug User Experiences of Law in the Context of Arbitrary Policing* (with Jamie Arredondo, Karla Wagner, Carlos Magis-Rodriguez, and Stephanie Strathdee), 75th Annual Meeting, College on Problems of Drug Dependence, June 17, 2013, San Diego, CA.
37. *Aligning Law Enforcement and Harm Reduction in Baltimore City: Research and Intervention Strategies* (with Susan Sherman, Chris Serio-Chapman, and Marina Smelyaskaya), Center for AIDS Research, Johns Hopkins University, November 26, 2012, Baltimore, MD.
38. *Building Cross-Agency Synergy in Drug Law Enforcement*, Baltimore City Department of Health and Baltimore City Police Department, November 26, 2012, Baltimore, MD.
39. *Aligning Law Enforcement and Harm Reduction in Baltimore City* (with Susan Sherman, Chris Serio-Chapman, and Marina Smelyaskaya), 9th National Harm Reduction Conference, November 15, 2012, Portland, OR.
40. *Advancing Public Health through the Law: The Role of Legal Academics* (with Wendy Parmet), Center for Disease Control and Prevention Law and Science Journal Club, October 25, 2012, Atlanta, GA.
41. *The Role of Police in Translating Public Health Laws into Public Health Interventions: Research and Program Opportunities*, Annual Meeting of the Public Health Law Research Program, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, January 19, 2012, New Orleans, LA.
42. *Harm Reduction Interventions and the Police: Towards an Evidence-Based Framework for Preventing, Monitoring and Addressing Barriers to Syringe Access*, (with Loretta Grau, Sarah Bowman, Ted White, Robert Heimer), 8th National Harm Reduction Conference, November 15, 2010, Austin TX.
43. *A Binational Training Program to Improve Social Justice in the Mexico-US Border Region*, Invited Lecture,

Rule of Law and the Drug Trade: Challenges and Implications for US and Mexico, Emory Law School, October 1, 2010, Atlanta, GA.

44. *Aligning Criminal Justice and HIV Prevention: From Conflict to Synergy* (with Robert Heimer), Association of Criminal Justice Sciences Conference, February 24, 2010, San Diego, CA.
45. *Engaging the Criminal Justice Sector in Drug Policy Reform Efforts* (with Daliah Heller and Narelle Ellendon), International Drug Policy Conference, November 14, 2009, Albuquerque, NM.
46. *Safe Injection Facilities in New York City: a Legal Perspective* (with Corey Davis and Evan Anderson), Safe Injection Facilities Conference, May 22, 2009, New York, NY.
47. *Supervised Injection Facilities in the United States: An Update and a 5-year Plan* (with Scott Burris, Corey Davis, and Evan Anderson), 7th National Harm Reduction Conference, November 13-16, 2008, Miami, FL.
48. *Toward National Funding for Syringe Exchange: Strategic Bundling of SEP Appropriations with Resources for Needle Stick Prevention for Law Enforcement*, 7th National Harm Reduction Conference, November 13-16, 2008, Miami, FL.
49. *Harmonizing Harm Reduction and Law Enforcement: Strategies for Prevention, Monitoring, and Response*, International Drug Policy Reform Conference, Dec. 5, 2007, New Orleans, LA.
50. *Do Criminal Laws Affect HIV Risk Behavior? An Empirical Trial* (with Scott Burris, Patricia Case, and Zita Lazzarini), 1st Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Oct. 27, 2006, Houston, TX.
51. *Understanding Law Enforcement Experiences, Perspectives, and Attitudes: How Partnership Can Maximize the Impact of Harm Reduction* (with Scott Burris and Grace Macalino), National Harm Reduction Conference, November 14, 2004, New Orleans, LA.
52. *Mobile Societies and Geographies of Jurisdiction: The Case of the Oxford Canal Community*, Meeting of the Association of American Geographers, April 20, 2000, Pittsburgh, PA.

Local

1. *America's Favorite Antidote: Punishment in the Age of the Opioid Crisis*, Petrie Flom Center Seminar on Health Law and Bioethics, Harvard Law School, April 10, 2017, Boston, MA.
2. *Patient Confidentiality and the Transplantation of Health Care Ethics in Six Post-Soviet States*, Faculty Colloquium Series, Suffolk School of Law, November 19, 2015, Boston, MA.
3. *Más miedo a una enfermedad que a un balazo [More afraid of a disease than a bullet]: Implementation of System-wide Needle-stick Injury Surveillance System in the Tijuana Police Department, Mexico* (with María Luisa Rolón, et al.), Consortium of Universities for Global Health, March 26, 2015, Boston, MA.

4. *Harnessing Interdisciplinary Perspectives to Inform Effective Health Policy and Law in HIV/AIDS Response* (with Aziza Ahmed, Brook Baker, and Richard Wamai), Health Policy and Law Roundtable, Northeastern University School of Law, September 25, 2013, Boston, MA.
5. *Drug Use and HIV - A Tale of Toxic Policy* (with Robert Heimer), HIV/AIDS Policy Grand Rounds, The Northeastern Program on Health Policy and Law, February 3, 2013, Boston, MA.
6. *Benefits and Limitations of Public Health Advocacy in Prevention of Opioid Overdose*, Tufts University School of Medicine, March 15, 2013, Boston, MA.

GRANTS

External: Ongoing

1. NIDA R01DA039073 Beletsky/Strathdee (MPIs) 4/1/2015-1/31/2020
Police Training to Reduce Occupational Needlesticks and HIV among Substance Users
The goal of this project is to support a longitudinal assessment of the impact of a police education intervention designed to shift police knowledge, attitudes and practices on occupational safety and HIV prevention among people who use drugs.
\$3,731,457
Role: Principal Investigator (35% coverage)
2. NIDA R37DA019829 Strathdee (PI) 8/1/2010-6/30/2020
Impact of Drug Policy Reform on the HIV Risk Environment among IDUs in Tijuana
The goal of this project is to evaluate the impact and assess the implementation barriers to the enactment of Mexico's new drug policy on the risk environment of injection drug users.
\$3,875,000
Role: Co-Investigator/Subcontract PI (10% coverage)
3. Vital Projects Fund Beletsky (PI) 1/1/2018-12/31/2018
Health in Justice: Supporting a Public Health Approach to the Opioid Crisis
The goal of this project is to assess and respond to carceral and punitive responses to overdose crisis, including involuntary commitment to substance use treatment.
\$110,000
Role: Principal Investigator (no covered effort)

External: Completed

1. Proteus Fund Beletsky (PI) 10/1/2017-5/31/2018
Punishment in the Age of the Overdose Crisis
The goal of this project is to establish systematic surveillance for drug-induced homicide laws and prosecutions as applied to overdose events.
\$30,000
Role: Principal Investigator (no covered effort)
2. The Global Fund/U. of Melbourne Martin/Beletsky (MPIs) 2/10/2016-4/30/2018
The Enabling Environment for Reducing Drug-Related Harms in Tijuana, Mexico

The goal of this project is to formulate a mathematical modelling-based assessment of enabling factors in the drug user risk environment in Tijuana, Mexico

\$23,760

Role: Co-Principal Investigator (no covered effort)

3. Tufts CTSI 2016 Pilot Award Program Stopka/Beletsky et al.(MPIs) 5/1/2016-4/31/2017
Facing the Opioid Epidemic (FOE): Assessing and Responding to Prescription and Illicit Opioid Use and Misuse

The goal of this project is to assess the implementation of prescription monitoring programs across five New England States using a mixed-methods approach.

\$56,600

Role: Principal Investigator (No covered effort)

4. OSF, Criminal Justice Fund Beletsky (PI) 2/1/2012-12/31/2012
Bridging Law on the Books with Law on the Streets: a Model for Optimizing the Impact of Drug Policy Reform

The purpose of this project is to develop a model for harmonizing police practices in Baltimore with public health approaches, utilizing this model for impacting criminal justice policy and practice locally and nationwide

\$37,145.

Role: Principal Investigator

5. OSF Latin America Program Strathdee/Rangel(PIs) 1/1/2014-12/31/2015
A Police Education Program Promoting Harm Reduction in Tijuana, Mexico

The goal of this project was to support the development of content, production of materials, and piloting procedures for scaling a police education program intervention in Tijuana, Mexico.

\$60,100

Role: Co-Investigator

6. NIDA CHAMPS Seed Grant Beletsky (PI) 2/1/2011-12/31/2012
Optimizing the Measurement of Policy and Policing Influences in the IDU Risk Environment

The goal of this project is to develop a preliminary version of an optimized, calibrated instrument used to assess the influence of policy and policing practices in the risk environment of injection drug users (IDUs).

\$19,999

Role: Principal Investigator

7. USAID/HED TIES Program Strathdee (PI) 5/1/2010-6/30/2012
A Binational Training Program to Improve Social Justice in the Mexico-US Border Region

The goal of this project is to administer an interdisciplinary training program to improve response to substance abuse problems in along Mexico's northern border.

\$3,281,729

Role: Co-Investigator

8. NIDA R21 DA027228-01A2 Shabotalas (PI) 9/1/2010-8/31/2012

International Feasibility Study of Pharmacy-Based HIV Prevention

The goal of this project is to assess the feasibility of delivering prevention and treatment services to IDUs in St. Petersburg through pharmacies, including evaluation of policing-driven barriers.
\$427,421

Role: Co-Investigator

9. Tides Foundation Drug Policy Prog. Burriss & Beletsky (MPIs) 10/31/2007-7/31/2008
Legal Aspects of Preventing Opiate Overdose in the US
The goal of this project was to systematically analyze and summarize policy environment shaping overdose prevention in US, \$14,510.
Role: Co-Principal Investigator
10. Tides Foundation Drug Policy Prog. Beletsky (PI) 4/1/2007-12/31/2007
Aligning Public Health, Policing, and Civil Liberties Objectives to Maximize the Impact of Needle Exchange Programs
The goal of this project was to develop a system for prevention, monitoring, and response to police inference with a newly-established syringe exchange program in Wilmington, DE, \$14,201.
Role: Principal Investigator
11. OSF Public Health Program Burriss (PI) 10/1/2005-9/30/2006
Development of Global Health Governance Framework
The goal of this project was to establish a conceptual framework for, and cross-disciplinary network of scholarship about global health governance, \$49,998.
Role: Co-Principal Investigator
12. Rhode Island Foundation Mini Grant Prog. Beletsky (PI) 6/1/2004-2/28/2005
Rhode Island Law Enforcement Syringe Training Initiative
The goal of this initiative was to develop and pilot a training for police bundling occupational safety information with content related to HIV prevention in the community, \$2,462.
Role: Principal Investigator

Internal: Ongoing

1. UCSD CFAR P30 AI036214 Cepeda/Vera (MPIs) 09/01/2017- 08/31/2018
Exploring barriers and facilitators of police referral to HIV prevention services.
The goal of this project is to formulate and evaluate a training designed to improve the alignment of drug enforcement policing with public health and human rights goals in Tijuana.
Role: Co-Investigator (No covered effort)

Internal: Completed

1. UCSD International Institute Beletsky/Cepeda/Potero (MPIs) 5/1/2017-4/30/2017
Health, Law and Human Rights Faculty Group
The goal of this project is to use multiple sources of big data to understand the influence of structural factors on key health and social adjustment indicators.
\$5,000
Role: Co-Principal Investigator (No covered effort)

2. Northeastern University Tier 1 Pierce, Beletsky, et al. (Co-PIs) 7/1/2015-9/30/2016
The Status of Economically and Socially Disadvantaged Groups in the US
The goal of this project is to use multiple sources of big data to understand the influence of structural factors on key health and social adjustment indicators.
Role: Co-Principal Investigator (No covered effort)

3. UCSD CFAR P30 AI036214 Beletsky and Magis (MPIs) 7/1/2014-6/30/2016
Tijuana Police Assessment: Foundation for Structural HIV Prevention
The goal of this project is to formulate and evaluate a training designed to improve the alignment of drug enforcement policing with public health and human rights goals in Tijuana.
Role: Principal Investigator (No covered effort)

4. Northeastern Program in Health Law & Policy Beletsky (PI) 5/1/2012-6/30/2013
Harnessing Interdisciplinary Perspectives to Inform Effective Health Policy and Law in HIV/AIDS Response, Northeastern University Program in Health Law and Policy
The purpose of this grant is to convene a series of interdisciplinary workshops called “HIV Policy Grand Rounds,” presenting a particular policy discourse on HIV control and offer it up for critiques by other investigators, invited discussants, and members of the audience. \$6,750.
Role: Principal Investigator

TEACHING AND ADVISING

Courses Taught

1. *Drug Law and Policy* (LAW 7606; new course) Instructor, Northeastern University School of Law, Spring 2012, Winter 2013, Spring 2014, Winter 2014-2015, Spring 2018
2. *Global Health* (PHTH 5230) Instructor, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Spring 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2018
3. *Quantitative Methods for Lawyers* (LAW 7447; new course) Instructor, Northeastern University School of Law, Fall 2013, Summer 2015
4. *Population Health Research* (PHTH 6400) Co-instructor, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Fall 2013
5. *Essentials of Global Public Health* (FPM 235) Co-Instructor, UCSD, Spring, 2011

Selected Guest Lectures

1. *International Health Policy* (IRGN 490) Guest lecture, UCSD School of Global Policy and Strategy, Fall 2016
2. *Health Law and Policy* (LAW 326) Guest lecture, UCLA School of Law, Fall 2016
3. *Introduction to Health Promotion* (HP 200) Guest lecture, University of Southern California, Fall 2016, Fall 2017
4. *American Health Care System* (PHTH 1260) Guest lecture, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Fall 2015, Fall 2016
5. *Macrosocial Determinants of Health* (BSHE 535) Guest lectures, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, Fall 2014; Fall 2015

6. *Harm Reduction and Human Rights Webinar*, Guest, HIV Prevention Justice Alliance, Chicago, IL, May, 2015
7. *HarvardX Course "Opioid Crisis in America"* [[link](#)]
8. *Health Policy in an Age of Reform* (HONR 3310) Guest lecture, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Spring 2015
9. *ATTRIP Training Program*, Guest lecture, UCSD Division of Global Public Health, Fall 2014, Spring 2017
10. *Qualitative Methods in Health and Illness* (PHTH 6320) Guest lecture, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Spring 2014
11. *Environmental Health* (PHTH 5214) Guest lecture, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Spring 2014
12. *Healthcare Research* (HLTH 5450), Guest lecture, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Fall 2013
13. *Introduction to College* (HSCI 1000), Guest lecture, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Fall 2013
14. *Principles and History of Urban Health*, Guest lecture, Bouvé College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University, Spring 2013
15. *International Health Law: Governance, Development and Human Rights*, Guest lecture, Northeastern University School of Law, Spring 2013
16. *Cultural Perceptions about Health and Disease* (FPM 270), Guest lecture, UCSD School of Medicine
17. *Doctoral Public Health Seminar* (PH 800), Guest lecture, UCSD School of Medicine
18. *Migration and Refugee Health* (ANTH 231) Guest lectures, UCSD Department of Anthropology
19. *Health in Societies in Transition* (HPA 531), Guest lectures, Yale School of Public Health

Supervision of Graduate Students

1. Rini Ghosh, Northeastern University PhD in Public Policy Dissertation Committee: "Breastfeeding Policy and the Public's Health."
2. Jaime Arredondo, UCSD-SDSU PhD in Joint Doctoral Program in Public Health Dissertation Committee: "Police and Public Health: Drug Decriminalization and the Tijuana Police Department." (Committee Co-Chair)
3. Erin Crocker, Northeastern University, Bouvé College MPH in Urban Health. Capstone: "Drug user perspectives on prescription monitoring program in Massachusetts." (Ongoing)
4. Mina Hong, Northeastern University, Bouvé College MPH in Urban Health. Capstone: "Pharmacist perspectives on prescription monitoring program in Massachusetts." (Ongoing)
5. Kate Lena, Northeastern University, Bouvé College MPH in Urban Health. Thesis: "Evaluation and Design of Gender-Appropriate Overdose Training for Incarcerated Individuals." (Completed September, 2015).
6. Sarah Scotland, Northeastern University, Bouvé College MPH in Urban Health. Thesis: "Caregiver Burden related to Dementia" (Completed January 2016).
7. Legal Skills in Social Context Program, Supervising Attorney, Northeastern University School of Law, Law Office #10, 2012-13: "Ending an Epidemic: Responding to Opioid Overdose Deaths;" Law office #7, 2014-15
8. Legal Skills in Social Context Program, Northeastern University School of Law, Law Office #10 "Expanding Drug Treatment in Correctional Settings."
9. Independent study projects, Northeastern University School of Law, UCLA School of Law,

UCSD Department of Public Health.

Supervision of Undergraduate Students

1. Ashley Emuka ('18), UCSD undergraduate student, McNair Fellowship Title: "The Case for Safe Consumption Facility in Tijuana, Mexico." (Ongoing)
2. Amelia Caramadre ('18), Northeastern University undergraduate student. Capstone title: "Involuntary Civil Commitment For Substance Use Policy Surveillance."
3. Lane Bandanza ('17) Northeastern University undergraduate student. Capstone title: "Health care provider perspectives on prescription monitoring program in Massachusetts."
4. Alison Morgan ('17) Northeastern University undergraduate student. Capstone title: "Law enforcement perspectives on prescription monitoring program in Massachusetts."
5. Akiera Gilbert ('17), Northeastern University undergraduate honors student. Thesis title: "Victims of Sexual Trafficking: How the Past May Affect Futures."
6. Nicolette Kalic ('12), UCSD undergraduate student. Thesis title: "The nexus between incarceration and health."

Selected Advising Activities

1. MPH Program Mentor
2. Law Students for Sensible Drug Policy, Faculty advisor.
3. Presidential Scholars Independent Research Fellowship Program, Faculty advisor.
4. McNair Scholars Research Program, Faculty advisor.
5. Ad-hoc career and co-op advisor, Division of Global Public Health, UCSD, Northeastern University School of Law and Bouvé College of Health Sciences graduate and undergraduate students.

SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

School of Law Service

Law Admissions Committee, Northeastern University, Member (2014-); Chair (2015-2016)
Health Law and Policy Roundtable, Member (2012-)
Public Interest Fellows and Lecturers Committee, Member (2013-2015)
JD/MPH Program Workgroup, Member (2012-2014)
Program on Human Rights in the Global Economy, Affiliated Faculty (2012-)
Law in Social Context Program Advising Attorney (2012-)

Bouvé College of Health Sciences Service

MPH Admissions Committee, Member (2012-)
MPH Curriculum Committee, Member (2012-)
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Member (2014-2015)
Global Health Minor Planning Committee, Member (2015-2016)
Health Sciences Department Social Determinants Search Committee, Member (2012-13)
Population Health Ph.D. Curriculum Committee, Member (2013-14)
Bouvé College Alumni Events (2013-)
Bouvé College Admitted Students Outreach and Events (2013-)

Other Northeastern University Service

Institute on Urban Health Research and Practice, Faculty Scholar (2012-2015)
Numerous invited lectures, various colleges

UCSD Service

Global Justice Working Group, UCSD Center for Global Justice (2010-2013)
Justice, Health, and Human Rights Cross-Campus Faculty Collaborative (2017-)
Ad-hoc Grant Reviewer, Division of Global Public Health and Infectious Disease (2017-)
Ad-hoc Grant Reviewer, Center for AIDS Research (2014-)

Service to the Profession

Journal Peer Reviewer: *American Journal of Public Health, AIDS Care, Criminal Justice Review, International Journal of Drug Policy, Journal of Urban Health, Public Health Ethics, Social Justice Quarterly, Drug and Alcohol Dependence, BMC Public Health; Pan American Journal of Public Health; Addiction*

Scientific Review Panels: *National Institutes on Drug Abuse (2015); Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research (2012), National Centers for Injury Prevention and Drug Overdose Prevention, Centers for Disease and Control (2010, 2012, 2014)*

Advisory Board of Law Enforcement and Public Health Research Network, Member (2011-)
Expert Group Member, The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria (2016-)
Workshop Convener: *First Annual George Consortium Retreat, San Francisco, CA (2014)*
Workshop Co-Convener: *Advancing Public Health through the Law: The Role of Legal Academics, Northeastern University (2012)*

Pro-bono Legislative Counsel on Overdose Prevention, Better Way Foundation (2009)
Summit Co-Convener: *Aligning Criminal Justice and HIV Prevention, Yale University (2009)*
Invited Participant: Problems in Clinical Decision Support, Vanderbilt University (2009)
Forum Co-Convener: *Institutional Structure for Chinese Public Health Law, China CDC (2007)*
Conference Co-Convener: *Advancing Social Justice through the Law, Brown University (2007)*
Forum Co-Convener: *Revitalization Policy and its Local Impact, Temple University (2007)*
Conference Convener: *Health Law and Policy Research in China, Temple University (2005)*
Summit Co-Convener: *Seminar on Global Governance of Health, Salzburg, Austria (2005)*

Service to the Community/Public

Consultant, Pew Charitable Trusts (2018-)
Advisory Board, Mission LISA (2017-)
Scientific Advisory Board, LifeDose, Los Angeles, CA (2016-2017)
Consultant (pro-bono), Overdose Prevention Taskforce, Los Angeles, CA (2015-2016)
Consultant, *Bureau of Justice Assistance, US Department of Justice, Washington, DC (2014-2015)*
Consultant, *Pacific Research Institutes, Bethesda, MD (2015-2017)*
Testimony, *Vermont State Legislature (2013)*
Advisor (pro-bono), *Office of National Drug Control and Policy, Executive Office of the President (2012-2014)*
Advisory Board, *Law Enforcement and Harm Reduction Network (2011-2015)*
Disparate Impact Workgroup, *Consortium for Police Leadership in Equity (2010-2012)*
Global Justice Working Group, *UCSD Center for Global Justice (2010-2012)*

Consultant (pro-bono), *Baltimore City Health Department*, Baltimore, MD, (2009-2013)
Consultant, *Open Society Foundations*, New York, NY, (2009-2013)
Consultant, *New York City Department of Public Health and Mental Hygiene*, New York, NY (2009-2010)
Resource Consultant, *Regional Support Team for Asia and Pacific, UNAIDS*, Bangkok, Thailand, (2008-2009)

Professional Development

Regional Health Law Retreat at Seton Hall Law School (February 9, 2018)
Arizona State University Legal Scholars Workshop (March, 2014)
George Consortium Retreat (June, 2014)
St. Louis University Health Law Scholars Workshop (2012)
Evidence-based Medicine Health Information Workshop, Vanderbilt University (March, 2009)
NIMH Career Development Workshop, NIH Campus (September, 2008)

Professional Associations

New York State Bar (2009-)
College on Problems of Drug Dependence (2013-)
American Bar Association (2009-)
American Public Health Association (2002-2005; 2013-)
National Lawyers Guild (2009-2012)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Selected Vera Institute of Justice, Criminal Justice Reform Influencer (2017)
Selected US Dep't of Health and Human Services, Data Privacy in Digital Age Project (2017)
Inducted College on Problems of Drug Dependence, Full Member (2013)
Selected ASLME/St. Louis University, Health Law Scholars Workshop (2012)
Faculty Scholar, Institute on Urban Health Research, Northeastern University (2012)
Travel Award, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Public Health Law Research (2010)
NIMH Career Development Travel Award (2008)
General Honors, Temple University School of Law (2008)
Second Place Prize, William Trickett, Jr. National Health Law Writing Award (2007)
Rubin Public Interest Scholar, Temple University School of Law (2005-2008)
Evening Section President, 1L Class, Temple University School of Law (2005-2006)
Graduate Student Scholarship (Declined), Brown University (2002)
General and Major Honors, Vassar College (2000)
Inducted *Phi Beta Kappa*, Vassar College (2000)
Ellen Sample Prize for Excellence in Geography, Vassar College (2000)
Hugh Mellon Prize for Undergraduate Research (2000)

SELECTED MEDIA APPEARANCES

NY Times: "Amid Opioid Crisis, Insurers Restrict Pricy, Less Addictive Painkillers" (September 17,

2017) [\[link\]](#); "A Drug That Should BE Easier to Get" (March 17, 2014) [\[link\]](#); "How a Police Chief, a Governor and a Sociologist Would Spend \$100 Billion to Solve the Opioid Crisis" [\[link\]](#)

BBC News: "Officers Rue the Return of the 'War on Drugs'" (April 18, 2017) [\[link\]](#); "Opioid Addiction and death mail-ordered to your door" (February 22, 2018) [\[link\]](#)

NPR: "U.S. Attorney Investigating Mass. Prison Officials' Treatment Of Inmates With Addictions" (March 29, 2018) [\[link\]](#); "Wolf's reluctance to back Philly injection site leaves door open to U.S. crackdown" (May 9, 2018) [\[link\]](#); "Is It Addiction Treatment Or Prison? A Look Inside A State Center For Involuntary Commitments" (September 13, 2017) [\[link\]](#); "How Massachusetts Deals with Opioid Addicts: Jail or Rehab?" (October 10, 2017) [\[link\]](#); "Ithaca Mayor Wants to Open Safe Site for Heroin Users Faces Legal Hurdles" (February 24, 2016) [\[link\]](#)

Boston Globe: "US investigating treatment of addicted prisoners in Mass." (March 29, 2018) [\[link\]](#); "Can giving inmates access to addiction medication help ease the opioid crisis?" (August 7, 2017) [\[link\]](#); "Worse than jail: addicts civilly committed say DOC abused them and failed to treat them" (July 13, 2017) [\[link\]](#); "Lynn drug dealer convicted of involuntary manslaughter in overdose case" (September 28, 2017) [\[link\]](#); "Amid opioid crisis, insurers restrict less-addictive but pricier painkillers" (September 18, 2017) [\[link\]](#); "Patients call Plymouth addiction center a mere jail" (December 2, 2017) [\[link\]](#)

CBS News: "The new politics of the "War on Drugs" " (May 27, 2016) [\[link\]](#)

NBC News: "Surgeon General wants Naloxone widely on hand. Is this feasible?" (April 18, 2018) [\[link\]](#)

POLITICO: "After pledging to solve opioid crisis, Trump's strategy underwhelms" (March 29, 2017) [\[link\]](#); "Addiction specialists blast Price comment on opioids" (May 11, 2017) [\[link\]](#); "Drug Databases are no panacea for opioid crisis" (September 27, 2016) [\[link\]](#)

Washington Post: "Trump administration to seek stiffer penalties against drug dealers, reduce opioid prescribing" (March 18, 2018) [\[link\]](#); "The \$4,500 injection to stop heroin overdoses" (January 27, 2017) [\[link\]](#)

ProPublica: "Measuring the toll of the opioid epidemic is tougher than it seems" (March 13, 2018) [\[link\]](#)

Newsweek: "Trump still wants drug dealers executed-but won't push to change death penalty laws" (March 19, 2018) [\[link\]](#)

USA Today: "Ithaca mayor wants a haven for heroin addicts" (March 25, 2016) [\[link\]](#)

Huffington Post: "Trump's latest ideas to combat the opioid crisis are also his dumbest" (March 20, 2018) [\[link\]](#); "FDA Releases Kratom Death Data, Undermines Its Own Claims About Drug's Deadly Harms" (February 7, 2017) [\[link\]](#).

Other outlets: (*VICE* [[link](#), [link](#), [link](#), [link](#), [link](#), [link](#), [link](#), [link](#)], *The Hill* [[link](#),[link](#)], *Chicago Tribune* [[link](#), [link](#)], *Vox* [[link](#), [link](#), [link](#)], *The Verge* [[link](#)], *This Week in Health Law Podcast* [[episodes 119, 65, 50](#)], *Wired* [[link](#)], *Business Insider* [[link](#)], *The Crime Report* [[link](#)], *Boston Herald*, *Yahoo News* [[link](#)], *POZ Magazine* [[link](#)], *New York Daily News* [[link](#)], *Science Daily* [[link](#)], *SLATE* [[link](#)], *Pittsburgh Post Gazette*, *Philadelphia Inquirer* [[link](#)], *Seattle Times* [[link](#)], *Health.com*, *Medpage*, *Scientific American* [[link](#)], *STAT* [[link](#), [link](#), [link](#), [link](#)], *The Trace* [[link](#)], *Daily Beast* [[link](#), [link](#), [link](#)], *Philadelphia Weekly*, *New Times* (Miami), *LA Daily News* [[link](#)], *In Justice Today* [[link](#), [link](#)], *The Marshal Project* [[link](#)], *Mic*: "Sessions thinks harsher sentencing will stop the opioid epidemic. He's wrong." (May 12, 2017) [[link](#)]

LANGUAGES

English and Russian (native)

French (intermediate knowledge)

Spanish, Brazilian Portuguese, and Mandarin Chinese (basic knowledge)