



Call for Proposals:

Beazley Symposium:

Access to Healthcare: Advancements and Unrelenting Barriers

The Beazley Institute for Health Law and Policy at Loyola University Chicago School of Law and *Annals of Health Law and Life Sciences* invite original submissions for presentations at our 18th **Annual Health Law Symposium: Access to Healthcare: Advancements and Unrelenting Barriers**. The Symposium will take place at Loyola University Chicago School of Law on **Friday, October 25, 2024** beginning at 9:00am.

This year's Symposium will explore access to healthcare, which continues to be a major concern for many individuals. It will examine the ways in which this access has been broadened and the ways in which accessibility can be improved in order to make healthcare a true right for all. The Symposium will highlight the need for broader changes in accessibility to reflect evolving healthcare needs, delivery systems, and equity concerns.

The Symposium will touch upon a wide variety of areas responsive to this overall theme. Accordingly, we invite submissions addressing different topics relating to healthcare accessibility and in turn, the barriers that hinder health access and equity, including but not limited to:

- **The impact of accessibility on vulnerable or marginalized groups.** Topics may include access to healthcare for various populations considering ethnicity, the elderly, individuals in rural or a metropolitan setting, whether a person is housed or unhoused, class and more.
- **Accessibility challenges insured individuals face.** Topics may include patient harm caused by partial implementation of the Affordable Care Act, challenges relating to healthcare literacy, long waiting lists for Medicaid coverage, prior authorizations, and the cost of care.
- **Advancements and/or technological improvements.** Topics may include recent breakthroughs governing oversight of records, telemedicine, and, remote patient monitoring devices.

Submission Information: To be considered, please send **an abstract of no more than 1000 words** to health-law@luc.edu by **June 16, 2024**. It is our hope that some presenters will also submit articles for publication in the *Annals of Health Law and Life Sciences Journal* (articles will be due by **January 3, 2025**); if you are interested in this opportunity, **please indicate that in your submission**. Applicants for participation in the Symposium will be notified of decisions no later than **July 13, 2024**.

- **Covered expenses:** Hotel, travel, ground transportation, three provided meals.
- **Questions:** E-mail questions to health-law@luc.edu.