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## AAHM IN ANN ARBOR

We look forward to welcoming you to Ann Arbor in early May 2020!

We are excited that most of the conference will take place at the historic [Michigan League](#), with its comfortable and aesthetically interesting rooms.

This meeting will differ from many previous AAHM gatherings given that the primary venue is located about 2 miles away from the main conference hotel, the [Kensington Hotel](#). The Kensington is the site for Thursday's afternoon events, including the opening reception, and Sunday's morning sessions. Activities on Friday and Saturday will be at the Michigan League. These activities include the book exhibit and awards ceremony, which will be in the wonderful League ballroom. The presidential address will be delivered by two of our most distinguished Susans—Susan Lederer and Susan C. Lawrence on Friday morning. It will be in the League's Mendelssohn theater. The Garrison lecture, delivered by Evelyn Hammonds of Harvard University, will be held on Friday afternoon in the historically important and recently renovated Rackham auditorium.



Since the busiest days of the conference will take place away from the home hotel, we have put great care and energy into arranging for accessible and regularized transportation options. We want to ensure that everyone has the necessary information to navigate the conference and enjoy their time in Ann Arbor. We will have volunteers and detailed maps and instructions to make movement between sites as seamless as possible. The program itself is designed to optimize your time at the conference.

**Getting to Ann Arbor:** Ann Arbor is accessible via plane, train, bus, and car. Detroit Metropolitan Airport (DTW) is about twenty miles east of Ann Arbor; travel from the airport usually takes under thirty minutes. There are two terminals: one is the Delta hub (McNamara Terminal), the other is home to American, United, Southwest, and other major airlines (North Terminal). Once you arrive to DTW, you can catch a cab, such as [Metro Cab](#), or request Lyft or Uber. The [Michigan Flyer](#) provides reliable and affordable transportation to and from the airport, with 12 - 13 round trips a day. Ann Arbor has a centrally located [Amtrak station](#) with three trains per day from/to

Chicago and Detroit. MegaBus and Greyhound also service Ann Arbor. Depending on your proximity to Ann Arbor, this might be a great time to drive to an AAHM meeting. Ann Arbor is right off of I-94. There is free parking at the Kensington and adjacent Even hotels, and reasonably priced public parking is available in several lots in downtown Ann Arbor (less than \$2 an hour, and free in the evenings and on Sunday). At least two lots are about one block from the League—[the Maynard](#) and [the E. Washington lots](#).

**Lodging:** The main conference hotel is the [Kensington](#), with accommodations also available at the adjacent [Even wellness hotel](#). Both of these hotels are located about two miles south of the University of Michigan campus, with abundant and free parking. They are right next to Briarwood Mall, which has several eateries including California Pizza Kitchen and P.F. Chang's. We also have reserved a limited number of rooms at the [Inn at the Michigan League](#) and [Bell Tower Hotel](#), both of which are in the immediate vicinity of the League, with hopes that these rooms will be particularly useful for attendees with mobility concerns.

**Shuttles:** We will have a well-organized, regularly scheduled, convenient shuttle service running every 10–20 minutes from the Kensington to the League. Our shuttles will make getting from the hotel to the League easy and fun, and AAHM-ers will have plenty of time to talk and catch up as they move around town. The trip takes about 10 minutes door to door.

### ***Shuttle Schedule: Friday-Saturday May 8-9***

#### **Friday, May 8th**

6:30am–10:30am: 3 buses looping between Kensington/Even Hotels and League  
 10:30am–12:00pm: 1 bus looping between Kensington/Even Hotels and League  
 12:00pm–3:45pm: 2 buses looping between Kensington/Even Hotels and League  
 3:45pm–7:00pm: 3 buses looping between Kensington/Even Hotels and League

7:00pm–10:30pm: 2 buses looping between Kensington/Even Hotels and League, last bus leaves Michigan League at 10:00pm for hotels

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News items of 250 words or less are invited and may be submitted by e-mail, fax, or regular mail. Deadlines: 1 July, 1 October, and 15 February.

**Saturday, May 9th**

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**Other Transportation Options:** Both Lyft and Uber operate in Ann Arbor and it's usually fast and easy to summon a ride, which will take about 10 minutes and cost about \$8.00-10.00.

**Getting Around:** AAHM student representatives will be on hand at the conference hotels and the League to help attendees find their way. In addition to our bus service, the University of Michigan has their own [campus bus and there are bus lines](#) located along the route from the hotel to the University of Michigan. Lyft and Uber are also readily available in Ann Arbor. We will provide wayfinding materials and maps. Several other transportation options are available that meet a wide range of need and ability. For more information on UM campus transit, check out the UM Parking and Transportation [Rider Guide](#).

**Exciting and informative excursions:** The campus of the University of Michigan is historic and picturesque. The Diag, at the center of the main campus, was the epicenter of student protest in the 1960s and continues to be a hub of political and social activism, including the annual “Hash Bash,” which takes place a month before AAHM. This heart of central campus is about one block away from the League. The newly renovated Michigan Union is down the street and across from the [University of Michigan Museum of Art](#), where the amazing curators have assembled four special collections for viewing related to the history of medicine and health. Provided by UMMA staff specifically for the AAHM and ALHHS/MeMA conferences, six free, guided object-viewing sessions will examine medical objects and art related to illness and healing from around the world,

curated on the following themes: Treatment & Healing, Medicines & Remedies, Sickness & Suffering, and Diagnosis. To register for this and other tours, please refer to UMMA's [full list of events](#) and sign-up information. There are numerous eateries and shops in close proximity to the League. The [Bentley Historical Library](#) and the [Gerald Ford Presidential Library](#) are a short bus ride (or car trip) away.

The museums and libraries of the University of Michigan are pleased to offer conference attendees a variety of experiences with collections related to the history of medicine. Locations range from close walking distance from the Michigan League to the outskirts of Ann Arbor. Final details will be available in the program, alongside registration information for events with limited capacity. Open events include the new University of Michigan [Museum of Natural History](#), the [Sindecuse Museum of Dentistry](#), a self-guided tour of the [Matthaei Botanical Gardens](#) medical and herb garden, and more! **A full list of events with links to register for limited capacity events is available online.**

**Graduate Student Happy Hour:** The Graduate Student Happy Hour this year will take place on Thursday, May 7 at 7:30 PM. We also plan to organize several impromptu group meetups during the conference. More details are to follow, so stay tuned! Be sure to follow the AAHM on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#) for updates.

**Weather:** in Michigan in May can be highly variable. While we hope for May flowers and highs in the 60s, sometimes we experience rain and cooler weather. We recommend wearing layers during your visit, and we will be distributing free umbrellas to those who register for the conference.

**Volunteer Opportunity:** The Local Arrangements Committee is currently looking for graduate students volunteers to help with the conference. Student Conference Aides' duties include: wayfinding, registration and information, and organizational responsibilities. Volunteers will be

compensated with a comped conference registration that includes tickets to the receptions, drink tickets, and access to conference panels and events. Ideally work commitments will be limited to 2–3 hours, but this depends on the number of volunteers available. This is a great opportunity to network with peers and, of course, experience with conference organization and implementation is always a positive addition to a CV or resume. If you're interested in helping with this year's AAHM please contact either Cheyenne Pettit (ckpett@umich.edu) or Gianna May Sanchez (gianna@umich.edu).

**Accommodations Statement:** The AAHM aims to deliver inclusive and accessible experiences to all participants. This main conference hotel is the Kensington, which has two elevators located across from the executive boardroom. The Kensington has three double and five king ADA-compliant sleeping rooms. Two of the kings have a roll in shower; none of the doubles have a roll in shower. The Kensington has one family restroom on-site. Please see the layout [here](#). The Michigan League has three entrances with ramps and there is an elevator, making the building accessible. The elevator is on the first floor of the League, across from the information desk. The League has one gender inclusive restroom on the 3rd floor. There will be a designated lactation room and relaxation room during the conference hours.

The UM [interactive campus map](#) includes information on accessibility for many buildings on campus, including ramps and elevator access. Services for Students with Disabilities (SSD) also provides [a list of accessible bathrooms](#) on campus. [Ann Arbor city buses](#) are lift and/or ramp-equipped and UM's Department of Parking and Transportation website includes a [list of accessible transportation](#) options.

ASL will be provided during the Garrison and Presidential Addresses and CART will be provided upon request. The event program will be available in a digitally accessible format through Guidebook.

Please make your reservations and register for the meeting by April 7th to take advantage of reduced rates.

Attendees are welcomed and encouraged to post about the conference with the Twitter hashtag #AAHM2020. We are looking forward to seeing you in A<sup>2</sup>!

*The 2020 Local Arrangements Committee*

***The University of Michigan is located on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe people. In 1817, the Ojibwe, Odawa, and Bodewadami Nations made the largest single land donation to the University of Michigan, offered ceremonially as a gift in the text of the Treaty at the Foot of the Rapids so that their children could be educated. Through these words of acknowledgment, their contemporary and ancestral ties to the land and their contributions to the University are renewed and reaffirmed.***

## AAHM NEWS

### AAHM Nominations

The report of the AAHM Nominating Committee appears on page 10. Biographies for the nominated candidates appear below. The election will take place at the business meeting during the annual meeting in Ann Arbor, MI, on Saturday, May 9.

### Candidate for President

**Keith Wailoo** is Henry Putnam University Professor of History and Public Affairs at Princeton University where he teaches in the Department of History and the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. He is Chair of the History Department, and former Vice Dean of the Woodrow Wilson School. He is author of several acclaimed books, including *Pain: A Political History* (Johns Hopkins, 2014); *How Cancer Crossed the Color Line* (Oxford University Press, 2011); *Dying in the City of the Blues: Sickle Cell Anemia and the Politics of Race and*

*Health* (UNC Press, 2001), which received the William H. Welch Medal; and *Drawing Blood: Technology and Disease Identity in Twentieth Century America* (Johns Hopkins, 1997). He is co-author (with Stephen Pemberton) of *The Troubled Dream of Genetic Medicine: Ethnicity and Innovation in Tay-Sachs, Cystic Fibrosis, and Sickle Cell Disease*, and co-editor of several multidisciplinary works in history and health policy. Wailoo has written widely on such topics as the opioid crisis, pain medicine, drug policy, race, and health policy in the *New York Times*, *New England Journal of Medicine*, the *Daily Beast*, *Perspectives in Biology and Medicine*, the *Journal of Health Politics, Policy, and Law*, the *Lancet*, and the *Bulletin of the History of Medicine*.

In 2007, Wailoo was elected to the National Academy of Medicine where he currently serves as the Chair of the Interest Group on Health Policy and Health Care Systems. His research has been supported by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Investigator Awards in Health Policy Research, the James S. McDonnell Foundation's Centennial Fellowship in the History of Science, and other grants and fellowships. Before joining the Princeton faculty in 2010, he taught in History and in the Department of Social Medicine (School of Medicine) at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and he later taught in History and the Institute for Health, Health Care Policy, and Aging Research at Rutgers University, where he was Martin Luther King Jr. Professor of History. He graduated from Yale University with a Bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering, and worked for several years as a science writer before earning his Ph.D. in the History and Sociology of Science at the University of Pennsylvania.

#### Candidate for Vice President:

**Barron H. Lerner**, M.D., Ph.D. is a Professor of Medicine and Population Health at the New York University Grossman School of Medicine. He received his M.D. from Columbia in 1986 and his Ph.D. in history from the University of Washington in 1996. Dr. Lerner has written five books on the history of medicine and numerous peer-reviewed

articles. His book, *The Breast Cancer Wars: Hope, Fear and the Pursuit of a Cure in Twentieth-Century America*, published by Oxford University Press, received the AAHM's William H. Welch Medal in 2006. Dr. Lerner's most recent book, *The Good Doctor: A Father, a Son and the Evolution of Medical Ethics*, was published by Beacon Press in 2014. An AAHM member since 1991, he has served on and chaired multiple AAHM committees and gave the Fielding H. Garrison lecture in 2014. In addition to his research, Dr. Lerner practices internal medicine at New York's Bellevue Hospital and teaches medical ethics and the history of medicine to medical students and undergraduates.

#### Candidates for Council Member:

**Rana Asali Hogarth** is a professor in the History Department at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She holds a Ph.D. in History, with a concentration in History of Science/History of Medicine from Yale University; an M.H.S. in Health Policy from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health; and a B.A. in History of Science/History of Medicine from Yale University. Her research focuses on the creation of ideas about racial difference in North America and the Caribbean as they emerged through the language of medicine and its allied fields. At the University of Illinois, she teaches courses in the history of medicine, African and American History, and History of the Atlantic World. She is the author of *Medicalizing Blackness: Making Racial Difference in the Atlantic World, 1780-1840* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2017). Her research has appeared in journals such as *Social History of Medicine*, the *American Quarterly*, the *American Journal of Public Health*, *African and Black Diaspora: An International Journal* and the *Journal of Early Modern Cultural Studies*. She served on the Garrison Lecture Committee (2018-2019), and is currently chair of that committee (2019-2020). She has been a member of AAHM since 2009.

**Rebecca Kluchin** is a professor in the Department of History at California State University, Sacramento. She is the author of *Fit to Be Tied: Sterilization and*

*Reproductive Rights in America, 1950-1980* (2009), which won the Western Association of Women's Historians Francis Richardson Keller-Sierra Award for best monograph. She has published articles on abortion, sterilization, and feminism, and is currently writing *Personhood: A History of Pregnancy, Abortion, and Reproductive Justice in America*. In 2014/15 she served as the Women in Medicine Fellow at the Countway Library and in 2016 joined the board of the Women in Medicine Legacy Foundation, which works to preserve the records and stories of women in medicine (all women in medicine, not just physicians), to support female medical students via scholarships, and to celebrate the achievements of female medical pioneers. She joined AAHM in 2005 and served on the Welch Medal Committee in 2017/18 and the Program Committee in 2018/19. Kluchin earned her B.A. in History and Psychology at Washington University in St. Louis and her Ph.D. in History from Carnegie Mellon University.

**Jessica Martucci** is a researcher at the Science History Institute (Philadelphia, PA) where she runs the Science & Disability Project in the Center for Oral History. She is the author of *Back to the Breast: Natural Motherhood and Breastfeeding in America* (University of Chicago Press, 2015). Her research on the history of 20<sup>th</sup> century gender, medicine, and religion has also been published in the *Bulletin in the History of Medicine*, the *Nursing History Review*, the *Journal of Women's History*, and the *American Medical Association's Journal of Medical Ethics*, among others. She is an active member of the International Working Group on Catholicism and Medicine at KU Leuven, Belgium, where she is pursuing research on the history of Catholicism's influence on American healthcare. In prior years, she has served on the AAHM's Welch Prize Committee and is currently on the organization's Pressman-Burroughs Wellcome Award Committee.

**Kavita Sivaramkrishnan** is associate professor in Sociomedical Sciences in the Mailman School of Public Health and in the Department of History at Columbia University. She is a public health historian

of South Asia with a focus on the politics of health, medicine and science in the global South. Her most recent research is on the global politics of aging, and her new book is titled, *As the World Ages: Rethinking a Demographic Crisis* (Harvard University Press, 2018). She is currently engaged in a new book project on the history of consumption and disease risks in South Asia. Kavita's research traces the transformation of bodies, metabolisms and minds in South Asia over the past century that have redrawn the map of South Asia's epidemiological and social history. Prior to joining the Mailman School faculty, Kavita was a David Bell Research Fellow at the Center for Population Studies and Development Studies at Harvard University and was awarded the Balzan Fellowship for her work on social inequalities and health by University College London. She holds a B.A. from both St. Stephen's College, University of Delhi and Trinity College, University of Cambridge and earned her Ph.D. from Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi. Kavita is currently serving on the 2020 Program Committee and the AAHM's Welch Medal Committee.

### Oral Bibliographies for Students

The AAHM is updating its repository of bibliographies. This repository is a tool to aid graduate students who are building readings lists in preparation for their qualifying examinations in fields related to the History of Medicine.

We are especially seeking new contributions related to the following categories:

- Health Activism
- Disability History
- Drug/Pharmaceutical History
- Gender, Reproduction, and Sexuality in Medicine
- Public Health
- Medical Ethics
- Race and Medicine
- Medical/Health Humanities

- Homeopathy/Alternative Medicine
- Miscellaneous

These categories are permeable in nature and only represent a general grouping, rather than strict sub-disciplinary divisions. That being said, we welcome a variety of types of comp lists that speak to the History of Medicine or Medical/Health Humanities.

If you would like to contribute your exam book list to the repository, please email it in .pdf form to the Chair of the Education and Outreach Committee, [Claire Clark](#). We ask that you redact all personally identifying information (i.e. your name, institution, and examiner).

## NEWS OF MEMBERS

**Lara Freidenfelds** announced the release of her most recently publication: *The myth of the Perfect Pregnancy: A History of Miscarriage in America* (Oxford University Press, 2020) was appointed the director of the Department of the History of Medicine and the eighth William H. Welch Professor at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

## OBITUARIES

### Robert John Thomas Joy (1929-2019)

Bob Joy was awarded the Osler Medal in 1954 and the AAHM Lifetime Achievement award in 2012 and in between was an advocate, author, teacher and servant of what he preferred to call Medical History. Anyone who conducts a courtship in conjunction with AAHM meetings is truly committed to the field and organization; his wife, Janet, a history of medicine librarian, predeceased him by about a year. Member of Council, committeeman extraordinaire, member of the editorial board of the *Bulletin*, editor of the *Journal*, but perhaps more than anything a fixture of AAHM meetings for two generations, Bob always took a broad view of helping the organization and its members. He is acknowledged for his help in over a hundred books and gave over 80 named

lectureships, he was a visiting professor all over North America and on three other continents.



*After receiving the 2012 Lifetime Achievement Award, Bob Joy posed with Joy Liu, the 2012 Osler Medal recipient.*

Robert John Thomas Joy was born in Rhode Island into a family he described as lace curtain Irish immigrants, as a child he moved annually as his parents followed tourist in the hotel industry. He ascribed his awareness to of the nature of history to his finishing discussion of the Civil War in Rhode Island and reaching Florida in in time to do it again, where he found it to be a very different story. He earned a bachelor's degree at the University of Rhode Island and an MD at Yale before accepting a commission in the army and starting graduate training at Walter Reed Army Hospital. For the next twenty years he was intimately involved as both staff officer and commander in Army military medical research, much of it centered on the applied physiology of extreme environments. Dr. Joy was the founding Director of the USA Research Institute of Environmental Medicine, the Commander of the Medical Research Team (WRAIR) in Vietnam, and Director and Commandant of the WRAIR (Walter Reed Army Institute of Research). He found his interest in the history of medicine was useful in convincing people in power that applied physiology and tropical disease research was useful to the military and along the way helped Leonard Wilson revise John Fulton's *Selected Readings in the History of*

*Physiology*, and published a translated edition of Max Rubner's classic, *Die Gesetze des Energieverbrauchs bei der Ernabrung*. At the army's 200<sup>th</sup> birthday, he compiled (with Rose Engelman) a useful little pamphlet, *200 Years of Military Medicine*, used by a generation to remind them of their professional heritage.

In 1976 Colonel Joy became one of the earliest faculty members at the new Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences and until he retired from the Army in 1981 was the key individual shaping the military medical curriculum in the new institution. In 1981, he became the founding Chair in Medical History at USU. Though teaching, consulting, and writing (a career total of over 140 papers and chapters) he made the history of military medicine, which had been largely the avocation of retired officers, a respectable scholarly field of study. In 2005, after he had retired, the USU took the unusual step of giving one of its own faculty an honorary degree to commemorate that contribution.

Dr. Joy was a Fellow of the American College of Physicians (ACP), of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (Section I) and of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, four awards of the Legion of Merit, the Air Medal, several commendations and campaign medals and flight surgeon's wings. He was a recipient (outside the AAHM) of the Hoff Medal and the Billings Award in military medicine, The Hunter Award in tropical medicine, the Kern Award of the Association of Military Surgeons of the U.S., the DoD Clements Award in military education, the Outstanding Civilian Educator Award from USUHS, the Davies Award in Medical Humanism of the ACP, and several awards for teaching from USUHS students.

*Dale Smith*

## ARCHIVES/LIBRARIES/MUSEUMS

**The New York Academy of Medicine Library** is very pleased to announce the launch of the Dr. Robert Matz Hospital Postcard Collection, a pilot

digitization project that provides access to 118 hospital postcards from the five boroughs of New York City. Spearheaded by Dr. Robin Naughton, Senior Digital Program Manager, the collection offers a window into the history of hospitals in the New York area as well as some of the visitors to those hospitals. Many of the postcards have messages and postmarks, allowing the viewer to ascertain the time period when the cards were created. The Matz Collection can be viewed here: [bit.ly/2SJId9](http://bit.ly/2SJId9)

**The Municipal Archives of the City of New York** has recently processed the 700+ cubic feet of the records of the Commissioners of Health of New York City, 1928-1991. Anyone familiar with the history of public health in the United States will know how important the New York City Department of Health has been. The [finding aid](#) includes detailed description of each commissioner's records. For more about the NYC Dept. of Records & Information Services of which the Municipal Archives is part go to [www1.nyc.gov/site/records/index.page](http://www1.nyc.gov/site/records/index.page)

**The College of Physicians of Philadelphia** has announced that over 20,000 pages of lecture notes and related materials have been digitized as part of "For the Health of the New Nation" grant. This is a two-year project funded by CLIR and organized by the Philadelphia Area Consortium for Special Collections Libraries (PACSL). The initiative will make accessible 140,000 pages of lecture tickets, course schedules, theses, dissertations, student notes, faculty lecture notes, commencement addresses, opening addresses, and matriculation records, sharing not only the voices of the medical greats, but also the often unheard voices of students.

Some of the highlights included in the first release to the Internet Archive include the [Samuel Knox notes on lectures from the University of Pennsylvania \(1783-1785\)](#), a two-volume set of notes on topics such as midwifery, symptoms of pregnancy and labor, typical and atypical births, and postnatal care. These notes are one of the earliest sets of student lecture notes in the Library's collection. They contain



Samuel Knox's 1783 abstract of Colin McKenzie's lectures on midwifery in 1773 at the University of Pennsylvania as well as Knox's notes on Adam Kuhn's materia medica lectures and Benjamin Rush's chemistry lectures at the University of Pennsylvania, 1784-1785. Although we may not have many (if any) patient records from the 18<sup>th</sup>-century Philadelphia, these lectures notes can tell us much about preventive care and treatments for illnesses in contemporary times. For example, Knox notes that "Bleeding [bloodletting] in the first three or four months prevents abortion." Bloodletting was not uncommon in late 18<sup>th</sup> century and early 19<sup>th</sup> century obstetrics.

Other materials digitized as part of "For the Health of the New Nation" gives us insight into the lives of medical students. [The Forster family papers \(1819-1880\)](#) include letters from James H. Stuart to his mother and brother, Benjamin, which concern his training and experiences as a medical student in Philadelphia at the University of Pennsylvania. James earned his M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1850. He opened a medical practice in Erie, and later became an Assistant Surgeon in the U.S. Navy. He was a member of Commodore Matthew Perry's expedition to Japan in the 1850s and was lost at sea off the Chinese coast in September 1854.

**The Center for the History of Medicine at the Countway Library of Medicine** is pleased to announce that the [Irene E. Kochevar papers, 1971-2015 \(inclusive\)](#) are now open to research. Kochevar is Professor of Dermatology at Harvard Medical School. The papers are the product of her career as Biochemist at the Wellman Center for Photomedicine at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts, as well as her consulting work, her patents, and her involvement in professional organizations. Kochevar's work focuses on the effects of ultraviolet radiation on skin, and on photochemical tissue bonding.

Irene Emily (Hejl) Kochevar was born in Detroit, Michigan, in 1943. She graduated from Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, with a B.S.

in biochemistry in 1965, an M.S. in biochemistry in 1967, and a Ph.D. in chemistry in 1970. Following a postdoctoral fellowship at New York University, and a postdoctoral fellowship and Assistant Professorship at Columbia University, New York, New York, she was appointed Associate Professor in the Department of Dermatology at Harvard Medical School, Boston, Massachusetts, in 1981, with a simultaneous appointment at the Massachusetts General Hospital. She earned the rank of Professor in 1999. Kochevar has received National Institutes of Health and Department of Defense grant awards for her research. She holds several patents for photochemical tissue bonding, a process that involves using ultraviolet light to activate a dye that stimulates cross-linking of proteins. This technique has been used to close skin incisions and to heal corneal injuries.

The bulk of the collection consists of grant applications from Kochevar's many research projects at the Wellman Center. The collection also includes correspondence from her consulting work; research notes; patent applications; and photographs from her involvement with professional organizations and committees.

Center staff are currently processing the papers of David Dickinson Potter (1930-2019), who was a founding faculty member in the Department of Neurobiology at Harvard Medical School and co-founder of the Native American High School Summer Program (now named in honor of Potter and his colleague as the [Ed Furshpan and David Potter Native American High School Program](#)). The program began as a collaboration between Harvard Medical School and students, teachers, and community members from Native American homelands, and remains a collaborative program today. Potter hosted groups of Hopi, Lakota, Sioux, Wampanoag, Native Hawaiians, and other Native Americans at Harvard each summer, and he worked with the teachers to develop educational curricula that carefully considered the social factors influencing teenagers who lived on Native homelands. The programs often focused on

health issues that impacted the students' communities, such as addiction and fetal alcohol syndrome. Potter's voluminous files of articles on the effects of alcohol and drugs on the brain attest to his research on neurobiology's relevance to Native American health. His collection also includes posters, brochures, a word search, a bumper sticker, handwritten notes, and other educational materials about fetal alcohol syndrome from the 1990s.

This hand-drawn booklet of "Non-Alcoholic Beverage Recipes" was distributed by the Nutrition and Dietetics Training Program in Santa Fe, New Mexico. The booklet contains recipes for non-alcoholic cocktails, such as "Honey Nog" and "Party Punch." The recipe collection, informational pamphlets, and bumper sticker, are examples of public health outreach materials aimed at educating Native American communities (or the general population), about the effects of alcohol, particularly on developing fetuses.

### **New from the National Library of Medicine**

While plans for extensive renovation of the NLM physical space develop as part of its [2017-2027 strategic plan](#), the NLM History of Medicine Division remains committed to providing access to original collection materials as needed by scholars. No gaps in service are anticipated at this time. However, it is always a good idea to contact us in advance of any visit, by email at [NLM Customer Support](#) or by phone at (301) 402-8878.

Are you undertaking historical research in NLM's collections? Would you like to share your research with the world? We warmly invite you to guest blog for the NLM History of Medicine Blog [Circulating Now!](#) Featured in the [Washington Post](#), *Circulating Now* circulates widely, reaching more than 5,000 direct subscribers and 344,000 followers as part of the official NLM social media network. If you would like to guest blog for us—writing about your research in our collections—please send an email proposing your topic to Beth Mullen, managing editor, at [elizabeth.mullen@nih.gov](mailto:elizabeth.mullen@nih.gov). If you do not already

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Researchers interested in the history of [marijuana](#) and medicine will appreciate learning about the [Tod Mikuriya Papers](#) (1933–2015), a newly-available archival collection here at the National Library of Medicine (NLM). Tod Mikuriya (1933–2007) was a psychiatrist and medical marijuana activist. In addition to his work in addiction medicine and biofeedback, he is well-known for compiling [Marijuana: Medical Papers, 1839–1972](#), a master bibliography of historical resources on marijuana, and for campaigning for [California Proposition 215](#) (Prop 215) which legalized medical marijuana in the state in 1996. Dr. Mikuriya conducted research on marijuana use and founded the California Cannabis Research Medical Group, a non-profit educational organization.

Archivists at NLM have completed a [finding aid](#)—a detailed research guide to assist individuals in exploring and understanding archival materials—for the collection, which is organized into 137 boxes and a map drawer. Materials range through writings, correspondence, subject files, reprints, research files, business documents, clippings, photographs, audiovisual records, and memorabilia that document the professional career and medical marijuana advocacy activities of Dr. Mikuriya. A highlight of the collection are the extensive ephemera and artifacts related to medical marijuana and medical activism.

Tod Hiro Mikuriya (1933–2007) was born in Pennsylvania to Anna Schwenk Mikuriya, a German immigrant and teacher, and Tadafumi Mikuriya, a descendant of a Japanese samurai family and civil engineer. In 1951, Dr. Mikuriya graduated from the George School, a private Quaker preparatory school. He initially attended Haverford College but was expelled during his junior year. He went on to graduate with his bachelor's degree from Reed

College in Oregon in 1956. He was drafted into the Army in 1957 and served as an attendant at Brooke Army Hospital psychiatric ward at Fort Sam Houston in Texas. Dr. Mikuriya earned his M.D. from Temple University in 1962 and completed his internship at Southern Pacific Hospital in San Francisco, California. He completed residencies in psychiatry at Oregon State Hospital and Mendocino State Hospital. Dr. Mikuriya directed the drug addiction treatment center of the New Jersey Neuropsychiatric Institute in Princeton, New Jersey between 1966–1967. In 1967, he became the director of non-classified marijuana research for the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) Center for Narcotics and Drug Abuse.

After leaving NIMH, Dr. Mikuriya relocated to California where he continued working on publishing *Marijuana: Medical Papers*. Dr. Mikuriya also worked for the Alameda County Alcoholism Clinic and for the state's Department of Rehabilitation. In 1970, he began working as a staff psychiatrist at the Everett A. Gladman Memorial Hospital, the first inpatient psychiatric facility in

Northern California. While there, he conducted research projects on schizophrenia. During the 1970s, Dr. Mikuriya also served as Chair of the Department of Psychiatry at the Eden Medical Center. By the mid-1970s, Dr. Mikuriya began providing biofeedback therapy for his psychiatry patients out of an office at the Claremont Hotel through his self-founded company Mikuriya Data Systems. During the 1980s and 1990s, Dr. Mikuriya became an active pro-cannabis political activist.

Dr. Mikuriya faced many consequences for his activism and for prescribing medical marijuana to his patients. After his public campaign for Prop 215, he lost his office at the Claremont Hotel and his practice underwent a Medicare audit. In 2000, the Medical Board of California accused Dr. Mikuriya of recommending cannabis without first conducting proper physical examinations. In 2004, after a lengthy investigation, the Medical Board placed Dr. Mikuriya under probation.

Dr. Mikuriya died at his home in Berkeley, California in May 2007 after being diagnosed with lung cancer.

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Rana Hogarth  
Rebecca Kluchin  
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Kavita Sivaramakrishnan

Respectfully submitted and with our gratitude to all the nominees for their willingness to continue to serve AAHM in this way

Rick Keller, Ellen More, and Paul Lombardo (Chair)

