

After Roe: Pressing Issues Around Contraception Access. A Webinar

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Directors of the American Society for Bioethics and the Humanities, and on the Governing Council for the Young Physicians Section of the American Medical Association. She was named a 40 under 40 leader in minority health by the National Minority Quality Forum. Dr. Arora received her BS with a minor in Philosophy from the Pennsylvania State University. In 2009, she graduated with both an MD from Jefferson Medical College and a Master's Degree in Bioethics from the University of Pennsylvania. She completed her residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology at McGaw Medical Center of Northwestern University. She subsequently completed a Master's in Science of Clinical Research at Case Western Reserve University.



KAMI GEOFFRAY, JD is the President of Geoffray Strategies, LLC, a consulting firm based in Austin, Texas, offering policy and strategy solutions for healthcare clients. An experienced advocate and strategist, Kami has 15 years of experience in government, legal, and nonprofit sectors, on both the state and national level, with a focus on reproductive health policy and programs. Kami most recently served as the Chief Executive Officer of Every Body Texas, where she spent five years overseeing the administration of one of the largest Title X family planning services grant awards in the nation.

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CYNTHIA HARPER, PhD, is a Professor of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Sciences at the University of California, San Francisco School of Medicine and is on the Steering Committee of the Bixby Center for Global Reproductive Health. She co-leads an NIH-funded K12 mentored scholar training program, Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health (BIRCWH) at UCSF and Kaiser Permanente Division of Research. She is also the Director of a continuing education contraceptive training program, *Beyond the Pill*, that offers evidence-based training to physicians, clinicians, and health educators reaching over 8 million

contraceptive clients annually at under-resourced clinics throughout the U.S. Dr. Harper received her Bachelor's degree from Middlebury College, Master's from Columbia University, and Doctorate in Demography and Public Policy from Princeton University. She completed a Postdoctoral Fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania. Her research focuses on contraceptive access and equity, reproductive autonomy, and the health and well-being of adolescents and young adults. She has led large multi-country studies in global reproductive health as well as U.S.-based research, including a series of studies leading to over-the-counter access to emergency contraception. She currently is the PI of a randomized trial testing a multilevel contraceptive intervention in Texas and California, comparing reproductive health outcomes in these contrasting policy contexts. She is also piloting new interventions in the abortion care setting to streamline access to affordable contraceptives, including for travel patients. Post-Dobbs, she has scaled up interventions in abortion ban states to improve contraceptive access and equity. Dr. Harper is the 2013 recipient of Guttmacher Institute's Darroch Award in Excellence in Sexual and Reproductive Health Research. She won the 2016 Award from the Alliance for Continuing Education in Health Professions for her provider contraceptive training. She also received Awards in 2022 and 2023 for Outstanding Research Mentorship.



JAMIE HART, PhD, MPH, Executive Director of the Coalition to Expand Contraceptive Access. Jamie has 20+ years of experience partnering with a wide range of Federal agencies, states, and foundations with the goal of achieving health equity. She is particularly known for her ability to pull together diverse public and private stakeholders, build consensus, and help groups use evidence and expert opinion to guide program and policy decisions. As one of the original founders and Executive Director at CECA, Jamie shapes and implements CECA's overall strategy, fosters strategic partnerships, and manages operations and staff. She brings specific expertise in using frameworks for sexual and reproductive health equity and wellbeing to reform policy, research, and clinical practice in accordance with

the values and goals of equity and justice. Jamie has designed and facilitated numerous convenings, for example, to develop and implement shared measurement to expand sexual and reproductive health services equitably and to evolve the preconception health framework to center reproductive and sexual health equity. She also led a series of expert and workgroup meetings to assist with development of, and subsequent updates to, Providing Quality Family Planning Services: Recommendations of the Centers for

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Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the U.S. Office of Population Affairs. She has conducted extensive research related to sexual and reproductive health by exploring the barriers and facilitators to accessing prevention and care services faced by Black, Indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC), women veterans, transgender women, and couples—and the providers and systems that serve them. Jamie completed her graduate work at the University of Michigan. Her dissertation research focused on the historical context of sexual and reproductive health care and reproductive justice for African American women.



ALINA SALGANICOFF, PhD is a senior vice president and the director of Women's Health Policy at KFF. Her work at KFF focuses on health policies of importance to women throughout their lifespans, with an emphasis on coverage and access challenges facing underserved women. Dr. Salganicoff has written and lectured extensively on the financing of and access to health services for women on topics ranging from maternity care and reproductive health to long-term care. Over her career, she has also served on numerous federal, state, and non-profit advisory committees focused on improving the quality of and access to health care for women, including the HHS Office on Women's Health, AHRQ, HRSA, CDC, OPA, and the VA. She also served as a member of

multiple National Academy of Sciences committees including those that addressed abortion safety and quality, the control and prevention of STIs, and women's health research, as well as the Institute of Medicine committee that issued recommendations for preventive services for women that are now covered under the ACA. Dr. Salganicoff is currently a member of the Advisory Panel of the ACOG's Women's Preventive Services Initiative (WPSI), the Public Policy Advisory Group of Power to Decide, and an associate editor of the journal, Women's Health Issues. Born in Argentina, Dr. Salganicoff is a native Spanish speaker. She holds a B.S. from the Pennsylvania State University and a Ph.D. in Health Policy from the Johns Hopkins University.