**Health Law: First Assignment**

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**Course Material:**

Casebook (CB): Furrow, Greaney, Johnson, Jost, & Schwartz, [The Law of Health Care Organization and Finance](http://www.amazon.com/Health-Organization-Finance-American-Casebooks/dp/0314184775/ref%3Dsr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1323675787&sr=1-1) (6th ed. 2008), and the [2010 Health Care Reform supplement](http://www.amazon.com/Health-Care-Reform-Supplementary-Materials/dp/0314266879/ref%3Dpd_bxgy_b_text_b) to Furrow , et al., Health Law: Cases Materials and Problems (6th ed. 2008). Plus additional materials noted on syllabus, which will be posted on the course bSpace page.

**CLASS 1: MONDAY, JANUARY 9**

**Topics/Readings: Overview and Introduction to Health Law**

 **Access to Health Care: Focus on Affordability/Ability to Pay**

* CB: Chapter 4, Section I.A. The Problem of Access, pp. 177-79;
* CB: Chapter 4, Section II.A. Options for Expanding Access to Care, pp. 191-201
* Supp: Chapter 7, Section II.A. Options for Expanding Access to Care, pp. 65-83
* Additional Reading: Kaiser Family Foundation, Overview of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, available at: <http://www.kff.org/healthreform/upload/8061.pdf>

**First Week Assignment:**

* *First Week Submission*: For the first class, please submit several paragraphs explaining your goals for the class, interest in health law, any prior work or academic experience in the subject, and any career plans/ambitions in the field of health law. You should also submit a weekly reflection paper unless you are planning to use a free pass (see below). Please send this first week submission to me via email at ann.oleary@tcng.org by Noon on Sunday, January 8th.
* *Weekly Reflection Papers:* The weekly reflection papers should be no longer than one page. You may either comment generally on your reactions to the readings, or you may raise several questions about the readings that you would like discussed in the class session. They are due at noon on Sunday of each week and must be emailed to me at ann.oleary@tcng.org by that deadline. During the course of the semester you have three free passes to use in which you may email me by Noon on Sunday to let me know that you will be using one of your free passes that week.