

**“Bodies of Law: Women’s Health & Equality”**

Feminist Legal Studies Queen’s  
March 1-2, 2013 at the University Club (March 1) and  
Macdonald Hall (March 2), Queen’s University

March 1, 2013 – University Club, 168 Stuart Street

8:15 Registration – University Club

8:50 Welcome

9:00 **Keynote Address: Belinda Bennett**, Sydney University, Principal’s  
Development Fund International Visitor  
“The Future of Women’s Health: Globalization, Health Law & Ethics”

10:20 Break

10:40 Panel I           **Reproduction: Assisted Reproductive Techniques**

Vanessa Gruben (Ottawa) – Egg Donation

Annette Burfoot (Queen’s Sociology) – Scientific Creep and Disappearing  
Women in Stem Cell Research

11:50 Lunch

1:00 **Keynote Address: Isabel Karpin**, University of Technology Sydney,  
Willis G. Cunningham Lecture in Law and Medicine  
“Implications for Women of Laws to Protect Future Children’s Welfare”

2:20 Break

2:35 Panel II           **Conceptions of Health and Disabilities**

Joan Gilmour (Osgoode) – Constructing Disability: Negotiating Capacity

Jennifer Chandler (Ottawa) – Sexual Assault and Memory-dampening  
Treatments for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder

Lynne Hanson (Queen’s) – Conceptualizing Women and Mental Illness in the  
Diagnostic and Statistical Manual-V

Judith Mosoff (U.B.C.) – Mothers with Mental Disabilities in Child Welfare  
and Child Custody law

4:00 Panel III      **Socio-economic Policy and Political Change**

Kathleen Lahey (Queen's) – Designed to Fail: Aboriginal Governance & Health Funding

Robyn Lee (York, co-author Dayna Scott) - Precautionary Consumption & the Environment

Elizabeth Thomas (Queen's)– Equality Claims for Women Prisoners with Mental Disabilities

Jennifer Raso (U of T, S.J.D. candidate) - Brighter Prospects for Women's Health? Assessing Recommended Ontario Social Welfare Changes

5:45              Cash bar

7:00              Dinner

March 2, 2013 – Macdonald Hall, 128 Union Street

9:00 Panel IV      **Reproduction, Disabilities and Treatments**

Roxanne Mykitiuk (Osgoode) – Reproduction and Respect for Difference under the International Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Angela Cameron (Ottawa) (co-author Vanessa Gruben) – Use of Donated Sperm in Women-led Families

Patricia Peppin (Queen's) – Prescribing Drugs Off-label: Inequalities and Health

10:30 Break

10:45 Panel V      **Abortion**

Jocelyn Downie (Schulich Dalhousie) - Abortion and Conscientious Objection

Dr. Susan Phillips (Family Medicine, Queen's) – Medical Education regarding Abortion Pre- and Post-*Morgentaler*: From Illegal to Invisible

Rachael Johnstone (Gender Studies, Queen's) – A Woman's Right to Health

12:15 Lunch  
Panel VI – **Sports Equality**

Speakers – Erin Durant (Dooley Barristers Professional Corporation) and  
Kristen Worley (amateur track cyclist)

1:20 Panel VII           **HIV/AIDS Disclosure and Criminalization**

Louise Binder (HIV/AIDS Activism) – Criminalization of Human  
Immunodeficiency Virus Non-disclosure as Prevention: A giant leap  
backward for women living with HIV and those at greatest risk

Gayle MacDonald (St. Thomas, Sociology) – Disclosure and the issue of  
consent

Michele McIntosh (Trent, Queen's Nursing) and Bitu Amani (Faculty of Law,  
Queen's) – Redefining MOM: Mandatory "Othering" of Mothering and the  
Criminalization of Breastfeeding with HIV

2:50 Break

3-4 **Roundtable** – Policy-making and activism

4 Closing remarks

The conference organizers and Feminist Legal Studies Queen's invite you to attend the conference, "Bodies of Law: Women's Health & Equality".

**Registration:** To register for the conference, please contact Melissa Howlett:

[melissa.howlett@queensu.ca](mailto:melissa.howlett@queensu.ca)

Please indicate whether you would like to attend on both days, or only the first or second day.

**Dinner:** The Friday night dinner is a cash event. When registering, please let us know whether you plan to attend the dinner. The cost is \$50, including tax and facility fee.

**Public lectures:** The keynote addresses by Professor Belinda Bennett, the Principals Development Fund International Visitor, and Professor Isabel Karpin, the Willis G. Cunningham Lecturer in Law and Medicine, are public talks, open to everyone. You are welcome to attend these lectures without conference registration.

**Location:** The first day of the conference will be held at the University Club, 168 Stuart Street, and the second day will be held in Macdonald Hall, at the Faculty of Law.

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