Health as a Human Right: The Global Option
Expanding the Legal Framework and Its Practical Impact

March 18th & 19th, 2010

Thursday, March 18, 2010

5:00pm-7:00pm; Skyroom, 100 McAllister Street

Welcome Reception: Symposium opening remarks, including a dedication to Virginia Leary.

Friday, March 19, 2010*

8:30am-5:15pm; Alumni Reception Center, 200 McAllister Street

8:45 Panel 1: Health as a Human Right: In what ways can, and should, health be defined as a basic human right?

Panelists: Lynn Freedman, Columbia University School of Public Health / Ali Miller, Berkeley School of Law and Berkeley School of Public Health / Siglende Pommer, UC Hastings / Elizabeth Gibbons, UNICEF Deputy Director, Policy and Practice; Associate Director, Gender, Rights and Civic Engagement / Moderator: Naomi Roht-Arriaza, UC Hastings

10:30 Panel 2: Roundtable on Access to Health Care. The social and economic barriers to health care in the United States and globally.

Panelists: Peter Lee, Pacific Business Group on Health / Eric Feldman, Univ. of Pennsylvania, School of Law / Shari Dworkin, UCSF Dept. of Social & Behavioral Sciences / Dr. Bertrand Vandeville, Director of Marin Community Health Clinic / Moderator: Osagie Obasogie, UC Hastings

12:00 Lunch and Keynote Speech: The Schlesinger Lecture: The Right to Health given by Mr. Stephen Lewis, Co-Director of AIDS-Free World & Professor in Global Health Studies at McMaster University.

1:30 Panel 3: Health as a Human Right in Haiti: A Case Study. A discussion on access to basic health needs in Haiti, before and after the devastating Jan. 12th earthquake.

Panelists: Brian Concannon, Institute for Justice and Democracy in Haiti / Mario Joseph, Director, Bureau des Avocats Internationaux / Meg Satterthwaite, NYU Human Rights Clinic / Nancy Dorsinville, Harvard School of Public Health / Moderator: Karen Musalo, UC Hastings


Panelists: Cheryl Hanna, Vermont Law School / Sheri Weiser, UCSF School of Medicine, San Francisco General Hospital / Connie de la Vega, USF School of Law / Vincent Iacopino, Senior Medical Advisor to Physicians for Human Rights (PHR) and Adjunct Professor of Medicine, University of Minnesota Medical School / Moderator: Madhavi Dandu, Assistant Clinical Professor, UCSF School of Medicine

FOLLOWED BY WINE & CHEESE RECEPTION *Panelists subject to change. RSVP to schlesingerlecture@gmail.com.