American Health Care System Seminar
Joan Bloom and Richard Scheffler
Fall 2008

590L University Hall
Tuesdays and Thursdays
2:00pm – 4:00pm (unless otherwise noted)

August 26 “Overview of the U.S. Health System: Access, Costs, Quality, and Outcomes of Care”
Joan Bloom, PhD, Professor of Health Policy & Management, UCB

August 28 No Seminar - American Political Science Association Conference

September 2 “The Problem of the Uninsured in the U.S.”
Thomas Rundall, PhD, Professor of Organized Health Systems, UCB

September 4 “Health Care Costs”
Will Dow, PhD, Associate Professor of Health Economics, UCB

September 9 “Variation in Quality and Outcomes of Care”
Stephen Shortell, PhD, MPH, Distinguished Prof. of Health Policy & Management, UCB

September 11 “How Do We Know When We Have Too Many or Too Few Doctors?”
Richard Scheffler, PhD, Distinguished Prof. of Health Economics & Public Policy, UCB

September 15 Monday 2:30pm-4:30pm
“Accelerating Clinical Efficiency Gain”
Arnold Milstein, MD, MPH, Medical Director, Pacific Business Group on Health

September 16 No Seminar

*September 17 UCSF Session: Title TBD
UCSF - Wednesday Daniel Dohan, PhD, Professor, Institute for Health Policy Studies, UCSF

September 18 No Seminar

September 23 “An Overview of Mental Health in the United States: Epidemiology, Finance, Treatment”
Lonnie R. Snowden, PhD, Professor of Social Welfare, UCB

September 25 “Health Programs Budgeting at the National Level”
John Ellwood, PhD, Professor of Public Policy, UCB

September 30 “Issues in Health Technology, Comparative Effectiveness, & Coverage with Evidence Development”
Wade Aubry, MD, Assoc. Clinical Prof. of Medicine, Institute for Health Policy Studies, UCSF

October 2 No Seminar

October 7 “Long-Term Care Research and Policy Issues”
Charlene Harrington, PhD, RN, Professor of Sociology and Nursing, UCSF

October 9 10:00am-12:00pm
Joan Bloom - Summary, Feedback, and Wrap-up

October 15 IRB Information Session
Wednesday 2:00pm-3:30pm
Jonathan Banda, Sr. Administrative Analyst, Office for the Protection of Human Subjects

October 17 Friday 12:00pm-2:00pm
“Ethical Considerations in Health Care” (with RWJF Health & Society Scholars)
Jodi Halpern, MD, PhD, Assoc. Prof. of Bioethics, Joint Medical Program, UCB/UCSF

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