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Foreword

The *Annals of Health Law and Life Sciences* Editorial Staff is proud to present our Summer 2020 Issue. The issue features articles deriving from our thirteenth annual Annals of Health Law and Life Sciences Symposium: Addressing the Health Care Needs of Justice-Involved Populations. The symposium brought together scholars and practitioners to explore the legal barriers that justice-involved populations face in accessing health care and how those barriers can be alleviated. Each author published in this edition highlights a specific area of the panel topics presented at the Symposium. On behalf of the entire Annals of Health Law and Life Sciences Editorial Staff, I would like to thank our authors for both presenting at Symposium and contributing their knowledge, research, and talent to this outstanding issue.

The Symposium was organized into three separate panels following a special address by Cook County Sheriff's Thomas Dart. Each panel was tasked to discuss different perspectives of health care issues relating to justice-involved populations. The first panel was *Preventing Contact with the Criminal Justice System through Increasing Access to Health Care*, which focused on current health care measures preventing individuals from encountering the criminal system. The second panel was *Increasing Access to Treatment for Incarcerated Populations*, which discussed the legal support and medical treatment of justice-involved populations during the duration of their involvement with the U.S. justice system. The last panel was *Constitutional Issues Relating to the Medical Treatment of Justice-Involved Populations*, which addressed Eighth Amendment and Fourteenth Amendment issues regarding access to medical treatment of justice-involved populations.

I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to my colleagues on the Executive Board: Christina Perez-Tineo, Alesandra Hlaing, Nicolette Taber, Raquel Boton, Hannah Lehmann, and Jacalyn Smith. Additionally, I would like to thank the outstanding efforts of our Senior Editors: Haley Comella, Jan Dervish, Elizabeth Heredia, and Rachel Kemel. Finally, I would like to thank the wonderful faculty at

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I am proud to present the Summer 2020 issue of *Annals of Health Law and Life Sciences*.

Sincerely,

Isabella Mancini Editor-in-Chief Annals of Health Law and Life Sciences