

WHAT IS DRIVING VIOLENCE AGAINST HEALTH CARE IN WAR?

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SPEAKERS



LEONARD RUBENSTEIN

Prof. Leonard Rubenstein is Professor of the Practice at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, and Director of the Program in Human Rights, Health and Conflict. He is also a core faculty member at the Berman Institute of Bioethics and the Center for Humanitarian Health at Johns Hopkins University. Prior to coming to Johns Hopkins in 2009, he was a Jennings Randolph Senior Fellow at the United States Institute of Peace, and before that Executive Director and President of Physicians for Human Rights. He has a J.D. from Harvard Law School and LL.M. from Georgetown Law School. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

Prof. Rubenstein is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Congressional Minority Caucuses' Healthcare Hero Award and the Sidel-Levy Award for Peace of the American Public Health Association. He has appeared before Congress, the World Health Assembly, and the UN Security Council.



JOANNE LIU

Dr. Joanne Liu has served as International President of Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) from 2013 to 2019. At the helm of MSF, she has been a leading voice on medical humanitarian crises, namely in the Ebola outbreak of West Africa and attacks on hospitals and forced displacement crises, and has engaged with world leaders at the highest levels.

Dr. Liu's role builds on a career of field work with MSF, including over 20 medical-humanitarian field assignments. Dr. Liu trained at McGill University School of Medicine in Montreal. She holds a Fellowship in Pediatric Emergency Medicine from New York University School of Medicine and an International Master's in Health Leadership, also from McGill University.

Dr. Liu's operational work has ranged from introducing comprehensive care for survivors of sexual violence, to developing a telemedicine platform for connecting doctors in rural areas with specialists worldwide. Dr. Liu remains a practicing doctor, both in the field with MSF and also through hospital shifts in her home town of Montreal. She is currently a Professor at the School of Population and Global Health at McGill University with a focus on pandemic preparedness and response and health emergencies.

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Prof. Robert Lawrence is the founding director of the Johns Hopkins University Center for a Livable Future and professor emeritus of environmental health sciences at the university's Bloomberg School of Public Health. The center addresses the challenges of food security and the right to food through research, policy development, educational programs, and community action. Prof. Lawrence has participated in human rights investigations on behalf of Physicians for Human Rights and other human rights groups to Chile, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, El Salvador, Guatemala, Kosovo, the Philippines, and South Africa. He served as chair of the first U.S. Preventive Services Task Force from 1984-1989 and chaired committees of the Institute of Medicine and the National Research Council on issues such as

human rights, vaccine priorities, and thyroid cancer screening. He is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Medical School and trained in medicine at Massachusetts General Hospital.