

**Call for Papers  
2022 Symposium**

**UNDER PRESSURE: LEGAL AND SYSTEMIC RESPONSES TO THE PSYCHOLOGICAL TRAUMA  
ASSOCIATED WITH COVID-19**

Nova Southeastern University (“NSU”) Shepard Broad College of Law and the *Nova Law Review* seek submissions for the Law Review’s annual Symposium on March 11, 2022. Since January 2020, COVID-19 has ravaged the United States’ population physically, economically, and psychologically. Caused by the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2 (“COVID-19”), the pandemic simultaneously decimated the population, shuttered businesses, and traumatized those experiencing its effects. Consequently, increased prevalence of mental, neurological, and substance use disorders already has and will continue to present the legal system with challenges of previously unknown proportions. As mental health professionals substantiate and address the negative impacts of uncertainty, fear, isolation, and economic hardship, legal issues are multiplying.

The *Nova Law Review* invites academics, scholars, practitioners, and stakeholders to submit proposals for panel presentations on topics involving the legal impact of the psychological trauma produced by COVID-19 in the United States. These may include, but are not limited to, the following:

**THE EFFECT OF ISOLATION**

- Depression
- Suicide
- Substance Use
- Domestic Violence
- Disability Discrimination
- Food Insecurity
- Eating Disorders
- Separations/Divorces

**SOCIAL JUSTICE**

- Health Equity
- Racial Trauma
- Health Justice
- Vaccine Passports
- Research Ethics
- Barriers to Access
- Travel Restrictions Separating Families

**BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT MATTERS**

- Employment Discrimination
- Bankruptcy
- Unemployment
- Evictions
- COVID-19 Fraud
- Insurance Coverage

**SYSTEMIC CONSIDERATIONS**

- Treatment Courts
- Recidivism
- Therapeutic Jurisprudence
- E-Health
- Health Care Facility Regulation
- Regulation of Medical Professionals
- Health Care Rationing

The Symposium presents an opportunity for academics, practitioners, health care providers, and students in a variety of legal and mental health fields to exchange ideas and explore emerging issues. Interdisciplinary presentations are highly encouraged.

SUBMISSIONS & IMPORTANT DATES:

Please submit materials to [lawreview@nova.edu](mailto:lawreview@nova.edu)

- Submission Deadline for Abstracts: July 16, 2021
- Submission Deadline for Articles: January 14, 2022
- Symposium Date: March 11, 2022

LAW REVIEW PUBLISHED ARTICLES: The *Nova Law Review* will review, edit, and publish submissions in the 2022 Symposium issue. Articles, as well as case studies and abstracts of research in progress, will be considered for the Symposium Program for presentation purposes. Only complete articles, however, will be published in the *Law Review*. Abstracts for these papers will be due no later than the July 16, 2021 deadline and will be accepted on a rolling basis until that time.

PRESENTATIONS (WITHOUT PUBLICATION) BASED ON ABSTRACTS: The *Nova Law Review* will review and select presentations for the Symposium. If you are interested in presenting without submitting a publishable article, an abstract of the presentation *must also* be submitted by the July 16, 2021 deadline and will be accepted on a rolling basis until that time.

ABOUT NSU'S HEALTH LAW PROGRAM: Ranked first in Florida, NSU Law provides health law and health care academics with exciting opportunities for cutting-edge research and scholarship. It also provides students interested in health law with excellent opportunities for interprofessional collaboration and practical skills building. It proudly offers the *only* health law concentration in the state of Florida, and the health law faculty makes a point of collaborating across professions and encouraging students to do so. NSU Law's close geographic proximity to NSU's College of Psychology and Health Professions Division, all located on the same campus, fosters such interaction among both faculty and students. South Florida, comprised of Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties, has 48 hospitals and numerous other counseling and health care businesses.

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