

Achieving Health Equity Requires Ending Mass Incarceration

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PRESENTED BY Emily Wang, MD, MAS

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PROGRAM

WELCOME REMARKS

Rachel M. Werner, MD, PhD, Executive Director, Penn LDI; Robert D. Eilers Professor, Medicine and Health Care Management, Perelman School of Medicine and the Wharton School

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER

Judith Long, MD, Chief, Division of General Internal Medicine, and Sol Katz Professor of Medicine, Perelman School of Medicine; Co-Director, Center for Health Equity Research and Promotion, Philadelphia VA Medical Center

LECTURE

Emily Wang, MD, MAS, Professor, General Medicine; Professor, Public Health, Social and Behavioral Sciences; Director, SEICHE Center for Health and Justice, Yale School of Medicine

AUDIENCE Q&A



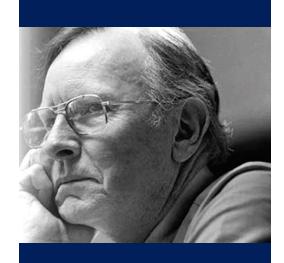


ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Emily Wang, MD, MAS

Emily Wang, MD, MAS is a Professor in the Yale School of Medicine and directs the SEICHE Center for Health and Justice. The SEICHE Center is a collaboration between the Yale School of Medicine and Yale Law School working to stimulate community transformation by identifying the legal, policy, and practice levers that can improve the health of individuals and communities impacted by mass incarceration. She leads the Center's research program, the Health Justice Lab, which receives National Institutes of Health funding to investigate how incarceration influences chronic health conditions, including cardiovascular disease, cancer, and opioid use disorder, and uses a participatory approach to study interventions which mitigate the impacts of incarceration.

As an internist, she has cared for thousands of individuals with a history of incarceration and is co-founder of the Transitions Clinic Network, a consortium of 40 community health centers nationwide dedicated to caring for individuals recently released from correctional facilities by employing community health workers with histories of incarceration. Dr. Wang has served on the National Academy of Sciences/ Institute of Medicine's Health and Incarceration Workshop, Means of Violence Workshop, and the Steering Committee on Improving Collection of Indicators of Criminal Justice System Involvement in Population Health Data Programs.



This lecture honors the legacy of a man whose vision was to develop a new breed of leaders and thinkers in American medicine—men and women whose training in more than the clinical practice of medicine would equip them with new ways of looking at the world.

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ABOUT SAMUEL P. MARTIN, III, MD

Dr. Martin joined the Penn faculty in 1970 after a distinguished academic career at Duke University, where he was a Markle Scholar and later a professor, and at the University of Florida at Gainesville, where he was the School of Medicine's first chair and subsequently Provost for Health Affairs. At the age of 39, he created Duke's residency program. He built the University of Florida's School of Medicine, and while there was the first to create the hospital ward manager and merge the medical chart, putting doctors' and nurses' notes on the same page.

Dr. Martin spent more than a quarter of a century at Penn, where he championed innovative programs and careers for students in health, management, and social sciences. He was founding director of both the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars Program for young physicians and the Dana Scholars Program for medical students. He helped establish the MBA Program in Health Care Management department at the Wharton School and developed the Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics into a major health services research entity. In the late 1970s, with his wife Dorothy, he envisioned and helped launch Penn's first thematic college house: The Ware College House for Health and Society. It was in the close circle of these premier programs at Penn that Martin made perhaps his greatest and most cherished contribution as a mentor for an entire generation of physician leaders in academic medicine and public policy.

It is a little-known fact that most of the world's first doctors to receive MBAs in the 1970s and 1980s did so at the University of Pennsylvania under Martin's leadership and vision. Considered one of the last of the post-World War II generation of great leaders in American medicine, Martin physically and spiritually dominated the contemporary health care scene at Penn, as well as throughout the nation and world. In memory of this extraordinary leader and mentor, this lecture is given by a medical scholar or health care leader whose work exemplifies Martin's influence in the field. Dr. Martin himself believed that American medicine had underachieved in harnessing its vast resources to serve the health care needs of the nation. He devoted his entire career to addressing how his chosen profession might do a better job of it.





