

SESSION 2: 11:30 – 1:30 pm

ABSTRACT: *Access to Health and Health Services Panel: The COVID-19 Experience*

COVID-19 has had a massive impact on the U.S. and the world in regard to health care and health care access. Improving access has been the topic of scholarship for many years. It took the COVID-19 pandemic to bring these issues to the forefront of public discussion. Inequities in public health access, not only domestically but globally, have become apparent in the light of COVID-19. This expert panel addresses the inequities of vaccines world-wide and the concept of vaccine sharing programs. It also explores the role that intellectual property plays in these equity issues, and some of the risk inherent in using technology and innovation in the exploration of these issues.

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Introduction:

Dean Annette Clark, Seattle
University School of Law

11:20 – 1:30 pm

Panel Discussion

Wendy Charles, PhD, CIP, CCRP, CBP Chief Scientific Officer, Burst IQ

Dan Laster, Director of the COVID-19 Vaccine Command and Coordination System (VACCS) Center

Ana Santos Rutschman, Assistant Professor, St. Louis University School of Law

Madhavi Sunder, Associate Dean for Graduate & International Programs and Professor, Georgetown University Law Center

Margret Chon, Donald and Lynda Horowitz Professor for the Pursuit of Justice, Seattle University (Commentator for IP Discussion)