

Health Law and Advancing Equitable Access to Care for Youth

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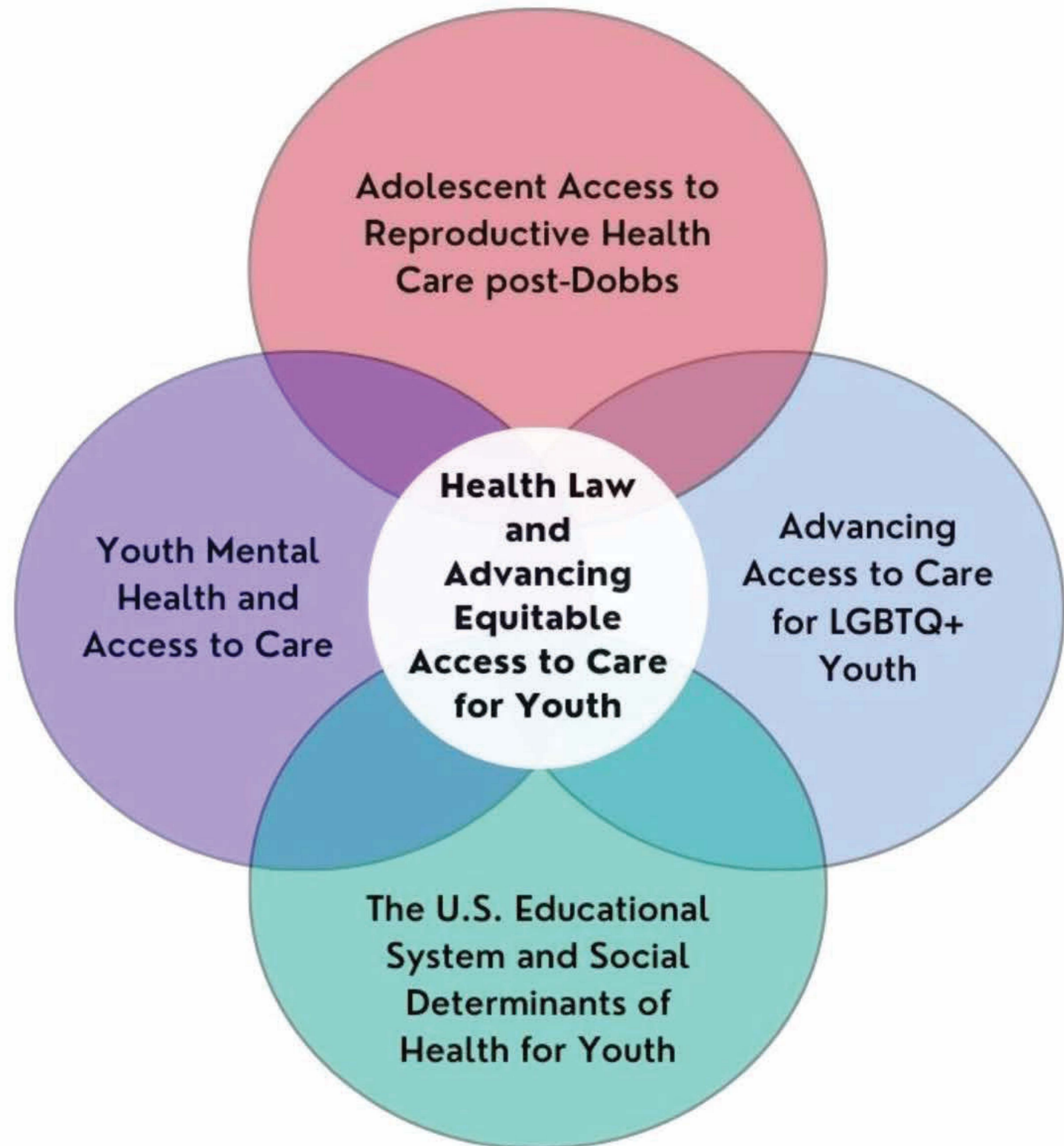
This hybrid, one-day symposium brings together a diverse group of experts in law, medicine, public health, sociology, and more to address critical barriers to health care access for children and adolescents. The program examines a range of interconnected policy challenges to youth access to healthcare, including how social determinants and educational systems shape youth health outcomes, challenges and solutions for LGBTQ+ youth access to health care, the evolving landscape of reproductive health care for adolescents post-Dobbs, and improving access to youth mental health services.

While this symposium is ordered according to linear time, the barriers to advancing equitable access to care for youth are not. You are invited to use this template to note the high level themes shared by each panelist. Write key words or phrases into the rectangle next to each panel description. As you make notes, add arrows to indicate any connections you make between core ideas shared at each session. At the end of the Symposium, you will have constructed a mind map that illustrates how the topics discussed in this symposium intersect with each other.

Thank you for joining us in the movement to realize a fair and just opportunity for youth of all backgrounds to be healthy and to thrive!

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Youth Mental Health and Access to Care

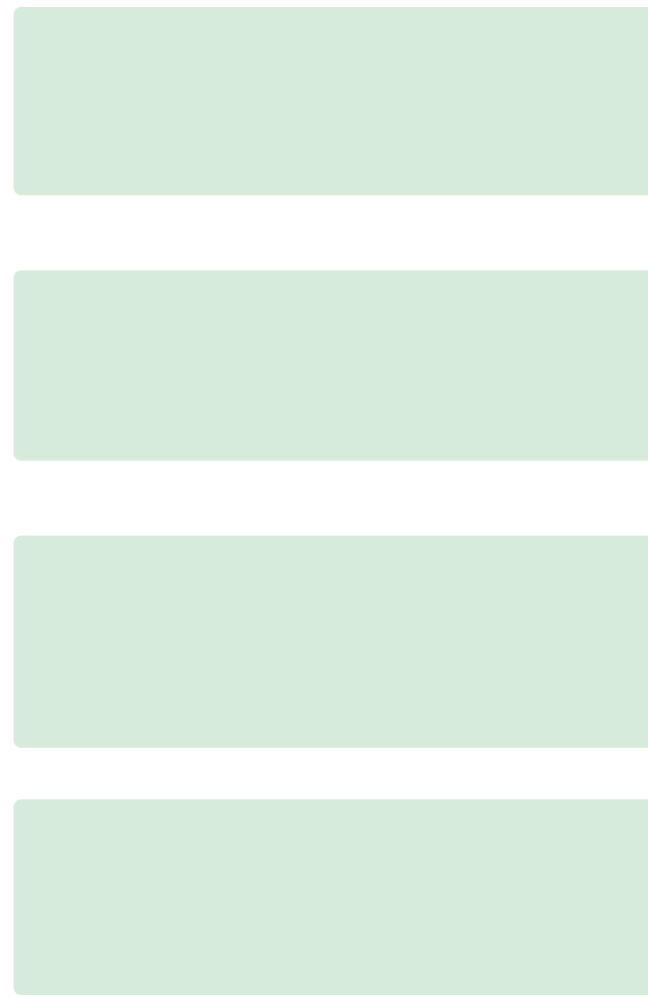
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Advancing Access to Care for LGBTQ+ Youth

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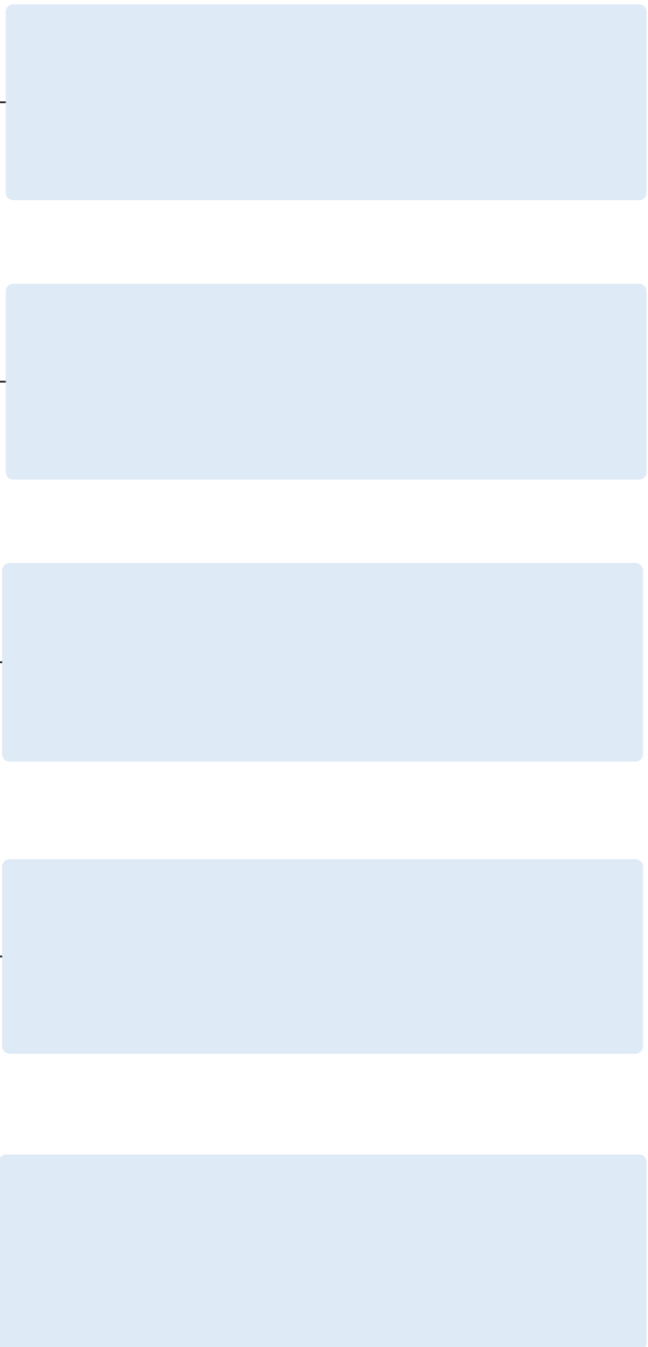
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Adolescent Access to Reproductive Health Care post-Dobbs

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