



## GPHAP News - March 6, 2023

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### Alumni Spotlight - Tadelech Mengesha



Tadelech Mengesha is a Harris and GPHAP alum. She currently works at the Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services as the Deputy Director of Integrated Fiscal Strategy. Her position focuses on designing and implementing value-based payment strategies for Massachusetts Medicaid; focused on improving quality of care, increasing equity and reducing costs.

Before attending Harris, Tade was a Bill Emerson National Hunger Fellow where she worked on community-based issues around nutrition and food access. This fellowship sparked her interest in policy, specifically health policy. Harris helped her build a stronger quantitative and analytical foundation.

During her time in GPHAP, Tade enjoyed the common core classes that provided more information about the US healthcare system. Through the core classes, Tade was able to meet other students from different disciplines that broadened her perspective in regard to social determinants of health.

### Brown Fellows Event on Rural Mental Health

Save the Date for an event at Harris sponsored by the GPHAP Brown Fellows in collaboration with the UChicago Grad Council, Harris Student Government, and Harris student Kenneth Zalke. The topic is Rural Health with a special focus on mental health care and policy. Keynote speaker is the new Director of the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), Sameer Vohra, MD. Dr. Vohra is a Harris and GPHAP Alumnus. The event will be on **Thursday, March 23rd from 12 PM - 2 PM** at Harris in the Keller Sky Suite. Lunch will be provided. More information and RSVP link coming soon.

### GPHAP Student & Alumni Networking Event

Save the date for **Tuesday, April 25th** to meet and mingle with GPHAP students and alumni! The reception will be held at Smith & Wollensky restaurant in downtown Chicago in the Bridgeview Room from **5:30 PM - 7:30 PM**.

Throughout her career, Tade wants to push the envelope on improving healthcare payment and challenge the status quo about healthcare access.

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### Upcoming Events

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 | 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM CST | [Register Here](#)

#### **Gender Gaps in Career Advice**

*Yana Gallen, PhD*

Thursday, April 13, 2023 | 5:00 PM CST | [Register Here](#)

#### **Optimism in the face of inequality...** | Bowman Society Lecture Series

*Dr. Thomas Fisher, MD, MPH, Emergency Medicine Physician at UChicago Medicine*

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### Recorded/Archived Events

#### **Urban Indigenous Healthcare: Community Solutions to Systemic Racism**

*Jocelyn Formsma, Executive Director of the National Association of Friendship Centres*

[Recording here](#)

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### Previously Listed Events

Wednesday, March 22, 2023 | 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CST | [Register Here](#)

#### **A Shifting Approach to Health Care Antitrust: A New Lens for Viewing Transactions & Competition** | Manatt

Wednesday, April 19, 2023 | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM CST | [Registration Not Open Yet](#)

#### **Can Data Deliver? Harnessing Data-Driven Solutions for Urban Challenges** | UIC Urban Forum

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### Recorded Lectures

Many of the lectures listed in the GPHAP Weekly Digest are recorded and archived for later listening. You can look back to see if there are recent lectures that interest you, and they can count as GPHAP co-curriculars. Here are links to archived lectures.

CHAS Michael Davis Lectures

<https://chas.uchicago.edu/events/mdl/>

MacLean Center for Clinical Medical Ethics lectures

<https://www.youtube.com/user/MacLeanCenter>

Harvard School of Public Health Forum lectures

<https://theforum.sph.harvard.edu/events/>

Bowman Society Lectures

<https://pritzker.uchicago.edu/resources/bowman-society>

MATTER Health Events

<https://matter.health/events>

Health Affairs Podcasts - an hour's worth of content

<https://www.healthaffairs.org/podcasts>

KHN's 'What the Health?' - an hour's worth of content

<https://play.acast.com/s/khns-what-the-health>

COVID-19, Women and Health

<https://theforum.sph.harvard.edu/events/covid-19-women-and-health/>

The Pandemic's Toll on Children's Mental Health

<https://theforum.sph.harvard.edu/events/the-pandemics-toll-on-childrens-mental-health/>

### GPHAP Social Media

GPHAP has a [Facebook Group](#) for Current Students and Alumni. Go to Facebook and search for

The UChicago Graduate Program in Health Administration & Policy or click on: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/gphap/>

There is a [LinkedIn Group](#) for GPHAP Alumni, and **current students are welcome to join**. Click on this [link](#) or go to LinkedIn and search for "GPHAP" and Request to Join. The site is a great source for updates on GPHAP Alumni. **Job Opportunities** also are posted there by the GPHAP Office and by GPHAP Alumni.

GPHAP has a **Twitter** Page. Please follow @UCgphap.

GPHAP's **Website** is: <https://gphap.uchicago.edu>

Join the **WhatsApp GPHAP Social Group**. Students can reach out to see who is going to GPHAP events or to provide info about other activities.

**WhatsApp Social Group:** <https://chat.whatsapp.com/invite/BYMEUqshxH1K6xpID5OmAk>

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