Contesting Health Policy: Rethinking Brain Injury Rehabilitation

Brown Bag Lunch & Discussion with Laura Lorenz

THURSDAY, APRIL 14th 12:15-1:30
ROOM LA 004, SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK BUILDING

In this interactive and visual presentation, Dr. Lorenz will describe why she cares about brain injury, and the brain injury epidemiology and policy landscape in the United States. She will challenge outdated rehabilitation paradigms and describe the consistent use of outcome measures to evaluate brain injury function and outcomes over time. Dr. Lorenz will show some brain injury survivor photographs and captions, developed for participatory research projects, to develop a shared understanding of the experience of living with brain injury. She will briefly describe Supportive Living Inc, its Brain Injury Wellness Center, and the internship opportunities available there.

Ample time for Q&A will be provided!

Laura Lorenz, PhD, MEd, is director of research and education for the Supportive Living Inc in Lexington, MA and visiting scholar at the Heller School for Social Policy and Management at Brandeis University. Prior to getting her PhD in 2008, Dr. Lorenz worked in international development as a writer, editor, and photo-journalist in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. She grew up on the North Shore.

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