

Aaron S. Kesselheim

Biography

Aaron S. Kesselheim MD JD MPH is a Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School and a faculty member in the Division of Pharmacoepidemiology and Pharmacoeconomics in the Department of Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital. Within the Division, Aaron created and helps lead the Program On Regulation, Therapeutics, And Law (PORTAL, www.PORTALresearch.org), an interdisciplinary research core focusing on intersections among prescription drugs and medical devices, patient health outcomes, and regulatory practices and the law. PORTAL is now among the largest, independent (non-industry-funded) academic centers focusing on these issues in the country. Author of over 600 publications in the peer-reviewed medical and health policy literatures, Aaron was recognized as one of the top 3 most cited health law scholars in the US from 2013-2020 in Web of Science, Westlaw, and GoogleScholar. Aaron has testified before Congress on pharmaceutical policy, medical device regulation, generic drugs, modernizing clinical trials, and other topics. Aaron is a core faculty member at the HMS Center for Bioethics, where he co-teaches a course on health policy, law, and bioethics and organizes a monthly policy and ethics seminar series. Aaron also serves as a Visiting Professor of Law at Yale Law School, where he teaches a yearly course on Food and Drug Administration Law and Policy, which is also offered at the Yale School of Public Health. He recently developed a massive open online course called *Prescription Drug Regulation, Cost, and Access: Current Controversies in Context* disseminated via the HarvardX platform to over 100,000 participants world-wide (and still available for viewing here: <https://www.edx.org/course/the-fda-and-prescription-drugs-current-controversies-in-context>). He is the editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Law, Medicine, and Ethics*. In 2020, he was elected to the National Academy of Medicine.