

**COERCING FOR HEALTH:
Transdisciplinary approaches to the ethics of coercive public health policies**

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3rd and 4th of July, 2024
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Understanding coercion has long been a central concern of analytical, political, and moral philosophy. COVID-19 and other public health challenges press us to find new connections between the ways coercion is experienced, and ethical analysis of coercive actions: how should we scale from individual interactions to collective governance? How does unequal power shape both visibility and justificatory contexts for coercive actions? What constraints are placed on policy makers due to the highly uncertain and rapidly unfolding nature of many public health challenges where coercive action might be warranted? This workshop will bring together philosophers, social scientists, and humanities scholars for a focused series of conversations to develop new thinking on coercion in the context of managing public health challenges. We will explore empirical case studies of coercion in action and develop new recommendations for public health practitioners and policymakers to consider as we confront future pandemics and public health threats.

Wednesday, July 3rd

Location: Lecture Theatre, Richard Doll Building, Old Road Campus

Time	Topic	Notes
9 – 9:30am	Registration and Introduction	Coffee will be served Speakers: Tess Johnson, Jon Shaffer, Safura Abdool Karim, Marlyn Faure
9:30 – 10:30am	Panel 1: Defining Coercion · Maximilian Kiener · Adia Benton · Justin Bernstein	Chair: Tess Johnson
10:30 – 11:00 am	Coffee Break	
11:00am – 12:30pm	Discussion 1: Defining Coercion	This discussion will involve individual brainstorming, followed by whole-group discussion. Note-taker: Sadie Regmi
12:30pm – 1:30pm	Lunch	
1:30 pm – 2:30pm	Panel 2: Coercion in Historical and Contemporary Public Health Responses · Alexandre White · Hohee Cho · Petronell Kruger	Chair: Safura Abdool Karim
2:30pm – 3:00pm	Coffee Break	
3:00pm – 4:30pm	Discussion 2: Coercion in Historical and Contemporary Public health Responses	This discussion will involve small group work followed by whole-group discussion. Note-taker: Cai Heath
4:30pm – 4:45pm	Day Recap and Wrap Up	Goal: have a refined definition of coercion and a set of cases that highlight definitional and ethical issues with coercion.
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Workshop Dinner for Invited Speakers	Al Andalus 10 Little Clarendon St, Oxford

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Thursday, July 4th

Location: Lower Ground Seminar Room, Big Data Institute, Old Road Campus

Time	Topic	Notes
9:00am – 9:30am	Welcome and Gathering	Coffee will be served
9:30am – 10:30am	Panel 3: Coercion in Public Health Ethics <ul style="list-style-type: none">· Diego Silva· Rachel Gur-Arie· Maxwell Smith	Chair: Marlyn Faure
10:30am – 11:00am	Coffee Break	
11:00am – 12:30pm	Discussion 3: Coercion in Public Health Ethics	This discussion will involve small group work, then whole-group discussion. Note-taker: Jeff Jones
12:30pm – 1:30pm	Lunch	
1:30pm – 2:30pm	Panel 4: Experiences of Coercion in Public Health <ul style="list-style-type: none">· Deborah Nyirenda· Liana Woskie· Katherine Littler	Chair: Jon Shaffer
2:30pm – 3:30pm	Discussion 4: Experiences of Coercion in Public Health	This discussion will involve small group work followed by whole-group discussion. Note-taker: Vittoria Porta
3:30pm – 4:00pm	Coffee Break	
4:00pm – 5:00pm	Session 5: Final Forum on Coercion	Alberto Giubilini will lead a whole-group discussion to bring together previous threads to formulate ideas of content of final workshop papers or chapters. Note-taker: Kenzie Isaac
5:00pm – 5:15pm	Workshop Wrap-Up and Close	