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GRAND ROUNDS LECTURE SERIES

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**4:30 PM**



**“The Politics of Vaccination in  
American History”**

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Dr. James Colgrove is a historian of public health and medicine. His research focuses on the historical relationship in public health practice between civil liberties and the collective well-being. His current research includes a three year study funded by the National Institutes of Health and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation examining the historical development of public health surveillance in the context of changing legal and ethical notions of privacy and confidentiality, and a study of the evolution of the concept of harm reduction as it has been applied in different behavioral domains, including illicit drug use, tobacco use, and alcohol consumption. Dr. Colgrove recently completed a book manuscript, *State of Immunity*, which is a social history of vaccination policy, politics and law in the twentieth century. His articles have been published in the *American Journal of Public Health*, *Science*, *Bulletin of the History of Medicine*, *Health Affairs*, and the *Journal of Law, Medicine and Ethics*.

**LOCATION:**

**Drexel University**  
**Center City, Hahnemann Campus**  
**New College Building, Geary B Auditorium**  
**245 N. 15<sup>th</sup> St., Phila., PA**  
**Live videoconferencing to Queen Lane**  
**Microbiology/Immunology Conference Room G49**

**Learning Objectives:**

- identify key events in the history of vaccine development
- describe historical and contemporary efforts in the public and private sectors to achieve high levels of vaccine coverage
- assess the advantages and drawbacks of compulsory vaccination policies

**Target Audience:** Public health professionals, physicians, and health care practitioners.

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