Contested Bodies
Race and Pregnancy, Past and Present

Thursday, April 18, 2019, 4:30pm
School of Public Health, Winslow Auditorium
LABORATORY OF EPIDEMIOLOGY & PUBLIC HEALTH (LEPH)
60 College St., New Haven, CT 06510

With Sasha Turner’s multiple award winning book Contested Bodies: Pregnancy, Childrearing, and Slavery in Jamaica (University of Pennsylvania Press, 2017) as a springboard, this panel discussion explores the long history of state and medical authorities’ regulations of Black women’s reproductive lives. Connecting past with present, the conversation will address how the legacies of slavery fuel ongoing impacts of racism and implicit bias in the medical profession, resulting in contemporary inequalities in maternal health and childbirth outcomes.

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