INPEP 2012-13 Brown Bag Lecture Series

Developing National Mental Health Policies in Post-Conflict Societies:
Iraq as a Case Study

Please join us:
• Informal presentation and discussion.
• All faculty, students, and staff are welcome.

Thursday, Oct. 4
12:00 noon
E-4 East Fee Hall
(Near the Medical Bookstore)

Pizza & Refreshments
will be provided.

During the "reconstruction phase" of post-war Iraq, the United States and coalition forces allocated resources to restructure Iraq's health care system. Many multinational organizations, governments, and policy makers had the political will as well as the financial and human resources to greatly influence Iraq’s national mental health program.

However, historical realities and destabilizing forces thwarted much of the effort placed in developing the Iraqi mental health care system. This case study may be instructive for academics and policy stakeholders interested in reforming mental health systems in the midst of violent conflict.

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