HEALING PARADIGMS & 
THE POLITICS OF HEALTH IN CENTRAL ASIA

KELLOGG CENTER COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, 420 WEST 118TH STREET, 15TH FLOOR 
FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 2011, 9 AM - 6 PM

9:45-10:00 WELCOME: Jeanette Takamura (Columbia University)

10:00-11:15 KEY-NOTE LECTURE: Salmaan Keshavjee (Harvard University) 
“BLEEDING BABIES IN BADAKHSHAN: THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF CULTURE AND ILLNESS”

11:30-1:15 PANEL I: Healing Paradigms: Biomedicine and Its Ethno-Religious Alternatives

Devin DeWeese (Indiana University)
“The Locus of Healing in Islamic Central Asia: Shrines, Sufism, Shamanism, and the Boundaries of Religion”

Danuta Penkala-Gawęcka (Adam Mickiewicz University)
“Mentally Ill or Chosen by Spirits? Illness Concepts and the Revival of Spiritual Healing in Post-Soviet Kazakhstan”

Jeff Sahadeo (Carleton University)
“Cholera and Colonialism in Central Asia: The Tashkent Riot of 1892”

RESPONDENT: Joseph H. Lee (Columbia University)

2:30-4:15 PANEL II: The Politics of (Global) Health: Intervention, Control, and Institutional Power

Alisher Latypov (University College London)
“The Opium War at the ‘Roof of the World’: The Administration of Addiction in Soviet Badakhshan”

Erica Johnson (University of North Carolina)
“Health Care as a Tool of Authoritarian Survival in post-Soviet Central Asia”

Erin Koch (University of Kentucky)
“Illness, Marginalization, and Global Health Interventions in Post-Soviet Eurasia”

RESPONDENT: Richard Elovich (Columbia University)

4:15-4:45 CLOSING REMARKS: Valentina Izmirlieva (Columbia University)

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