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### “Drugs, Politics, and Pariahs: Or, How to Think Historically About Race and Harm Reduction in an Opioid Epidemic”

**Dr. Samuel K. Roberts**  
Columbia University



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Dr. Samuel Kelton Roberts, Jr., is Director of Columbia University’s Institute for Research in African American Studies (IRAAS), Associate Professor of History (School of Arts & Sciences) and Associate Professor of Sociomedical Sciences (Mailman School of Public Health). He writes, teaches, and lectures widely on African-American history, medical and public health history, urban history, issues of policing and criminal justice, and the history of social movements. His book, *Infectious Fear: Politics, Disease, and the Health Effects of Segregation* (UNC Press, 2009), demonstrates the historical and continuing links between legal and de facto segregation and poor health outcomes.

Dr. Roberts currently is researching a book project on the history of drug addiction policy and politics from the 1950s to the present.

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