

## SOCIAL DYNAMICS & COMMUNITY HEALTH SPEAKER SERIES



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The Department of Behavioral and Community Health Sciences presents

### **Can tobacco control policies reduce smoking disparities and improve downstream health equity in the United States?**

Dr. Fleischer's research investigates how the broader social and policy environments impact health disparities and the health of vulnerable populations, in the US and around the world. Her research focuses on global non-communicable disease risk, with an emphasis on smoking, obesity, and diabetes. Smoking disparities in the U.S. are pervasive and persistent. Tobacco control policies may be one mechanism through which these disparities can either be reduced or exacerbated. In this seminar, Dr. Fleischer will discuss the complexity of smoking disparities in the U.S. by education, income, and race/ethnicity, and a newly funded grant that will examine which combination of tobacco control policies may be best to decrease disparities in smoking initiation and cessation, and thereby improve downstream health equity.

**Monday, March 26, 2018**

**12:00-1:30pm**

**PITT Public Health, Parran Hall, Room 1149**

***Light refreshments will be served.***