Embodied Inequality: Unpacking the Impact of Race & Racism on Health

Counting for Accountability: Police Violence, Segregation, Jim Crow & the People’s Health — Racism & Embodied History

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About the Speaker
Nancy Krieger, PhD is Professor of Social Epidemiology, Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences, at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and Director of the HSPH Interdisciplinary Concentration on Women, Gender, and Health. She is an internationally recognized social epidemiologist with a background in biochemistry, philosophy of science, and history of public health, plus 30+ years of activism involving social justice, science, and health. Dr. Krieger’s work addresses three topics: (1) conceptual frameworks to understand, analyze, and improve people’s health, including the ecosocial theory of disease distribution she first proposed in 1994, concerned with embodiment and equity; (2) etiologic research on societal determinants of population health and health inequities; and (3) methodologic research on improving monitoring of health inequities.

About the Series
Building on important work that has documented extensive health disparities, this interdisciplinary lecture series will explore why race is so consequential for health outcomes. Sessions will focus on a range of topics including how race matters for access to healthcare and healthcare delivery, how structural and interpersonal racism impact mental, emotional and physical health, and how scholars, practitioners, and community groups can intervene to improve health outcomes for vulnerable communities.