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In-Person at UVA Education Resource Center (ERC-B)

Zoom Webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84058180402>

Lunch will be Provided for the First 40 In-Person Attendees

Ellen Moore Lecture

Two Ends of the Stethoscope: Writing as a Patient-Physician



Celeste Lipkes, MD, MFA

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Despite the inevitability that our health as medical providers will one day fail, we continue to speak of “patients” and “physicians” as discrete categories. This dichotomy has recently been challenged by narratives of providers experiencing mid-career medical crises – but what about stories of doctors who were patients first? In this talk, Celeste Lipkes will read from her new poetry collection *Radium Girl*, which explores the challenges of navigating medical training as a person with chronic illness. We will think together about the strengths trainees with health challenges bring to the field as well as ways institutions can recruit and support them.

Resources: