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Hi Aron,

I wish that I could audit this class myself! Of note... in our leadership & staff meetings these topics (as presented in syllabus) are often viewed as 'their' problem... Almost always, it is 'they' who has X or Y issue.

It is true that we can't control what happens outside of our clinic walls, but I've been slowly working on referring to the health disparities, no show, health illiteracy & other issues as a 'we' problem.

Understanding this 'we' concept has been challenging for most of us due to a very interesting factor called human nature and the individual views on mundane values such as altruism, empathy, stewardship, sense of community, etc.

It just occurred to me that leveling the field with humbling natural or man-made disasters, ie a Hurricane or a Market Crash, respectively, can help in many ways. I've been there -on the first instance- numerous times. First, there is no electricity and hence, no technology. This would help at least affect the 'i' phenomenon a bit. As history has foretold numerous times, perhaps people would start engaging each other in the simplest way, by conversing, sharing stories, getting to 'really' know each other and by default, building a sense of community.

Feliz Navidad y Prospero Año Nuevo!

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Sent from my iPhone

- Welcome!
- Introductions
- Syllabus
- Policy teams and assignments
- Website
- Calendar
- Anderson discussion
- Group photo

- What is policy?
- Substantive v. procedural
- Redistributive/targeted v. Universal
- Regressive/progressive
- Regulatory ideal
- Shrinking role of public sector
- Technical v. ideological v. systems