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From the 1930s to the 1970s, more than 7000 people were sterilized, often against their wishes and without their knowledge, by the state of North Carolina. While not the only state to use official government channels to promote procure “eugenic sterilizations” for people deemed unworthy of reproducing, North Carolina has one of the best documented histories of the practice and subsequent attempts at reparations. This 80-minute documentary film portrays the lives and struggles of the people and families wronged, and now seeking justice. There will be no background reading for this session, but it will be one-half hour longer than our typical Evening Ethics program in order to have adequate time for the panel-led discussion after we view the film.