THE SILENT CONSPIRACY L. C. SHAW

READING GROUP GUIDE

- 1. What makes the incidents like the one that opens the book so terrifying?
- 2. Does Jack seem paranoid to the people around him? Does the term "conspiracy theorist" resonate with you? Do you believe in conspiracies?
- 3. To what extent do you think insurance companies should be able to make decisions on what medical procedures they are willing to pay for and/or how much they will pay? Is it fair for them to deny an organ transplant, for example, to someone who may not live as long as another potential recipient?
- 4. What kind of role do you think the media plays in influencing our perception of the world around us? If you think it's an outsized role, is there any way to change this?
- 5. In *The Silent Conspiracy*, the relationship between lawmakers and the media is nefariously intertwined. Do you see evidence of that in our society today?
- 6. What would you say is the main thing that drives Damon Crosse in his quest? What has made him so successful in achieving his desired ends?
- 7. Discuss ways in which *The Silent Conspiracy* raises questions of nature versus nurture.
- 8. How would you describe the role of the church in *The Silent Conspiracy*?
- 9. Is there any cause or belief that could make you give up your family or your country? What about giving up your life?

