

BIOETHICS & HUMANITIES NEWSLETTER



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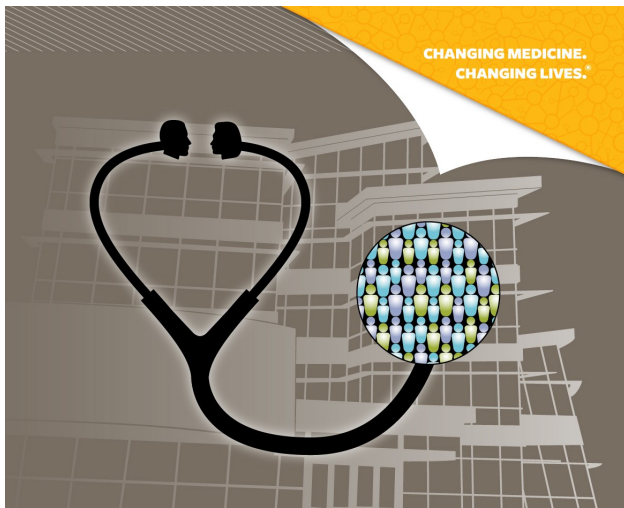
Welcome to the monthly Bioethics and Humanities Newsletter provided by the Program in Bioethics and Humanities at the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine.

Program in Bioethics and Humanities: *Our Mission*

We are committed to helping healthcare professionals explore and understand the increasingly complex ethical questions that have been brought on by advances in medical technology and the health care system. We achieve this through education, research, and service within the Carver College of Medicine, University of Iowa Health Care, University of Iowa, and the wider Iowa community.

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THE DATE



5th Annual Ethics in Healthcare Conference



Friday, May 19, 2023

We are excited to announce that after a three-year pause the Ethics in Healthcare Conference will return in 2023!

About the Conference:

With the steady introduction of more treatment options and biotechnologies, an increasing number and range of ethical challenges in health care are emerging. This conference is designed to help professionals meet these challenges through their work as clinicians, members of ethics committees or ethics consult teams, and administrators.

This one-day conference for collaborative dialogue and inter-professional exchange seeks to provide up-to-date information in healthcare ethics relevant to clinical practice; provide approaches to ethical reasoning that clarify ethical problems; facilitate professional discussion of ethical challenges and decision making in healthcare; and encourage professional networking for ongoing dialogue, support, and collaboration.

Additional information will be coming in the next few months.

BIOETHICS TOPIC OF THE MONTH:

“POTENTIALLY NONBENEFICIAL” CPR

Key Articles and Resources

- ⇒ Alpers A, Lo B. When is CPR futile? [JAMA](#). 1995 Jan 11; 273: 156-158.
- ⇒ AMA Code of Medical Ethics Opinion 5.5: [Medically Ineffective Interventions](#)
- ⇒ Beck K, Vincent A, Cam H, et al. Medical futility regarding cardiopulmonary resuscitation in in-hospital cardiac arrests of adult patients: A systematic review and meta-analysis. [Resuscitation](#). 2022 Mar; 172: 181-193.
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HUMANITIES CORNER

This month's spotlight is a poem that a medical student wrote as part of the *Ethics and Humanities Sub-Internship Seminar*. During this Seminar students are asked to complete a reflective written or creative work that responds to a situation they encountered during their sub-internship that illustrated values in ethics, professionalism, or humanism.

*Your tiny hand the size of my fingernail
And your body as big as my hand
Just as much detail as a grown person
But smaller and still inside*

*When they pulled your older friend over the surgical drape
And rushed her over to the warmer
My heart sank and I froze to pray
That God would grant you the chance to stay in longer*

*It's scary being a first time mom in medicine
Knowing all the things that can go wrong
Seeing how many babies come too soon
And require help from all the lines and tubes*

*I keep you safe in my own body
Never knowing if it's enough
I walk the halls and stop at my 24 week patient
An umbilical line replaces the cord*

*What really separates a 21 weeker and 6 days
From another at 22?
What besides time makes one worthy of being saved
And the other given up on?*

*Sipping sprite between rounds
I keep you a secret while silently mourning
With all the moms who have lost their babes
Because nature can be cruel and fate unfair*

*So until I can hold you in my own arms
I feel the delicate pink skin of your heaven sent friends
Earthside as they fight their own battles to live
I listen to their heartbeat
And imagine yours too*

BIOETHICS IN THE LITERATURE

- ⇒ Bell JAH, Salis M, Tong E, et al. Clinical ethics consultations: A scoping review of reported outcomes. [BMC Med Ethics](#). 2022 Sep 27; 23: 99.
- ⇒ Camino-Gaztambide RF, Fortuna LR, Stuber ML. Religion and spirituality: Why and how to address it in clinical practice. [Child Adolesc Psychiatr Clin N Am](#). 2022 Oct; 31: 615-630.
- ⇒ Copeland D. Caring in the context of risk: Moving beyond duty. [ANS Adv Nurs Sci](#). 2022 Sep 23. [Epub ahead of print]
- ⇒ Durieux BN, DeCamp M, Lindvall C. 21st century cures act: Ethical recommendations for new patient-facing products. [J Am Med Inform Assoc](#). 2022 Sep 12; 29: 1818-1822.
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- ⇒ Lemke AA, Esplin ED, Goldenberg AJ, et al. Addressing underrepresentation in genomics research through community engagement. [Am J Hum Genet](#). 2022 Sep 1; 109: 1563-1571.
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“Banning visitors, then, turns out not to be simply a sensible and easy precaution. Rather, it is a potentially rights-violating restriction.”

(McTernan)

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- ⇒ Murphy N, Weijer C. Research bystanders, justice, and the state: Reframing the debate on third-party protections in health research. [Bioethics](#). 2022 Oct; 36: 865-873.
- ⇒ Park JW, Kim JU, Ghim CM, et al. The Boltzmann fair division for distributive justice. [Sci Rep](#). 2022 Sep 28; 12: 16179.
- ⇒ Parsa-Parsi RW. The international code of medical ethics of the World Medical Association. [JAMA](#). 2022 Oct 13. [Epub ahead of print]
- ⇒ Pickering N, Newton-Howes G, Young G. Harmful choices, the case of C, and decision-making competence. [Am J Bioeth](#). 2022 Oct; 22: 38-50.

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- ⇒ Rosa WE, Lynch KA, Hadler RA, et al. "It took away and stripped a part of myself": Clinician distress and recommendations for future telepalliative care delivery in the cancer context. [Am J Hosp Palliat Care](#). 2022 May 15. [Epub ahead of print]
- ⇒ Ryan I, Premkumar A, Watson K. Why the post-Roe era requires protecting conscientious provision as we protect conscientious refusal in health care. [AMA J Ethics](#). 2022 Sep 1; 24: E906-912.
- ⇒ Silva GS, Thiel C. What would it mean for health care organizations to justly manage their waste? [AMA J Ethics](#). 2022; 24: 934-943.
- ⇒ Silverman H, Odonkor PN. Reevaluating the ethical issues in porcine-to-human heart xenotransplantation. [Hastings Cent Rep](#). 2022 Sep; 52: 32-42.
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- ⇒ Tomić V, Buljan I, Marušić A. Development of consensus on essential virtues for ethics and research integrity training using a modified Delphi approach. [Account Res](#). 2022 Sep 28.20220928. 1-24.
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BIOETHICS IN THE NEWS

- ⇒ Some people who appear to be in a coma may actually be conscious. [Scientific American](#), November 1, 2022.
- ⇒ When it comes to addiction, Americans' word choices are part of the problem. [STAT News](#), October 26, 2022.
- ⇒ Keeping families out of the ICUs no longer makes sense as the pandemic eases. [STAT News](#), October 24, 2022.
- ⇒ As AI grows in medical image analysis, concern about building trust with doctors grows too. [STAT News](#), October 20, 2022.
- ⇒ Black, Hispanic and American Indian/Alaska Native adults more likely to be hospitalized for flu and less likely to be vaccinated, CDC report finds. [CNN](#), October 19, 2022.
- ⇒ Henrietta Lacks' family appointed World Health Organization goodwill ambassadors for cervical cancer elimination. [World Health Organization News](#), October 16, 2022.
- ⇒ The future for practicing physicians in a corporate world. [STAT News](#), October 14, 2022.
- ⇒ Authors' names have 'astonishing' influence on peer reviewers. [Nature](#), October 11, 2022.
- ⇒ Health worker burnout and 'compassion fatigue' put patients at risk. How can we help them help us? [The Conversation](#), October 4, 2022.



BIOETHICS OPPORTUNITIES

UPCOMING

- ⇒ The Hastings Center: [Upcoming Webinars and Events](#)

ONGOING

- ⇒ The Hastings Center: [Recent Webinars and Events](#)
 - ⇒ American Journal of Bioethics: [YouTube channel](#) containing previous webinars
 - ⇒ The MacLean Center for Clinical Medical Ethics: [YouTube channel](#) containing previous lectures
 - ⇒ Children's Mercy Kansas City: [Pediatric Ethics Podcast series](#) and [Webinars and Workshops](#)
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BIOETHICS SERVICES AT THE UIHC

ETHICS CONSULT SERVICE

This service is a clinical resource for UI Health Care personnel who would like help addressing an ethical question or problem related to a patient's care. Consults can be ordered through EPIC or by paging the ethics consultant on call. For more information, [click here](#).



CLINICAL RESEARCH ETHICS SERVICE

We provide free consultation on ethical issues related to research design, tissue banking, genetic research results, informed consent, and working with vulnerable patient populations. In particular, we assist clinical investigators in identifying and addressing the ethical challenges that frequently arise when designing or conducting research with human subjects. These include ethical challenges in sampling design; randomized and placebo-controlled studies; participant recruitment and informed consent; return of individual-level research results; community engagement processes; and more. For more information, [click here](#).