

BIOETHICS & HUMANITIES NEWSLETTER



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WELCOME...

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.

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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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BIOETHICS IN THE LITERATURE

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“What many imagine to be a lean, market-based system is actually bloated, complex, and fragmented, increasingly directed toward generating profit. The same profit motive that can encourage new thinking and innovation can also cultivate the profit-over-patients orientation warned of in medicine's historic oaths and professional guidelines.”

(Crowley et al.)

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BIOETHICS IN THE NEWS

- ⇒ [I fear Covid-19 is pushing young physicians out of medicine.](#) STAT News, September 27, 2021.
- ⇒ [Hospitals say cyberattacks increase death rates and delay patient care.](#) The Verge, September 27, 2021.
- ⇒ [High-profile autism genetics project paused amid backlash.](#) Nature, September 27, 2021.
- ⇒ [Do we need vaccine exemption boards?](#) STAT News, September 22, 2021.
- ⇒ [Saying ‘person with schizophrenia,’ not ‘schizophrenic,’ can affect clinician beliefs, study finds.](#) STAT News, September 22, 2021.
- ⇒ [A doctor who defied Texas’ abortion law is sued, launching a legality test of the ban.](#) NPR, September 20, 2021.
- ⇒ [Nurses are leaving the profession, and replacing them won’t be easy.](#) The Conversation, September 17, 2021.



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](#).

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