

2025

ETHICS IN HEALTHCARE

FRIDAY, MAY 30, 2025

8 AM - 4 PM

Medical Education Research Facility (MERF)
375 Newton Road
Iowa City, Iowa



A one-day conference for learning,
collaborative dialogue, and
inter-professional exchange

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GENERAL INFORMATION

OVERVIEW

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 learning, 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; and facilitate professional discussion of ethical challenges and decision making in healthcare.

INTENDED AUDIENCE

Administrators, Attorneys, Chaplains, Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, Physicians, Physician Assistants, Social Workers, Students, Trainees, and Others

PARKING

The nearest accessible parking is directly north of MERF in the Newton Road Parking Ramp (NRP Ramp). Details, maps, and current rates can be found on the [Parking and Transportation website](#).

CONFERENCE DIRECTOR



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CONFERENCE REGISTRATION QUESTIONS

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The registration fee is \$100 for all attendees and includes refreshments during breaks and lunch. There is no additional cost for CME or CE credit.

SPACE IS LIMITED TO 60 ATTENDEES, PLEASE REGISTER EARLY.

**REGISTER
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Registration deadline is May 19, 2025. A late fee of \$25 will be added to registrations received after May 19, 2025.

PRESENTERS



Scott Kim, MD, PhD

Senior Investigator
NIH Clinical Center

Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide (EAS) Policies Around the World: Ethical, Legal, and Clinical Considerations

Objectives:

1. Describe the range and variety of EAS policies and practices around the world.
2. Distinguish between moral and policy reasons for and against various EAS policies.
3. Explain the place of moral considerations in policy-making in the realm of EAS laws.



Erica Carlisle, MD

Associate Professor of Surgery
Affiliate Faculty in the Program in Bioethics and Humanities
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Workplace Culture and the Ethics of Interpersonal Interactions

Objectives:

1. Identify ethical issues that arise during interpersonal interactions in the workplace.
2. Apply different ethical frameworks to analyze interpersonal interactions in the workplace.
3. Explore tools and systems designed to facilitate ethical interactions in the workplace.



Matthew DeCamp, MD, PhD

Associate Professor
Center for Bioethics and Humanities and Division of General Internal Medicine
University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

Ethics and Artificial Intelligence in Health Care: Our Choices and Our Selves

Objectives:

1. Analyze the circumstances under which AI-based tools might promote or hinder choice in health care.
2. Compare and contrast different "fairness metrics" used to assess bias in AI-based algorithms.
3. Argue that AI-based technologies shape who we are and how we think (and therefore are not mere 'tools').



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Should We Sometimes Try to Change a Patient's Mind? Examining the Ethics of Persuasion in Shared Decision Making in Healthcare

Objectives:

1. Discuss the virtue of practical wisdom within the moral dynamic of shared decision making.
2. Differentiate between 'making a recommendation' and 'attempting to persuade'.
3. Illustrate the need for practical wisdom when persuasion is deliberately attempted.

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Each session includes a 1-hour interactive lecture and a 30-minute Q&A. All sessions will be held in the Medical Education Research Facility (MERF 1117).

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| 7:30 – 8:00 AM | Registration and Coffee
Atrium, MERF |
| 8:00 - 8:15 AM | Welcome and Announcements
Lauris Kaldjian, MD, PhD |
| 8:15 – 9:45 AM | SESSION 1
Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide (EAS) Policies Around the World: Ethical, Legal, and Clinical Considerations
Scott Kim, MD, PhD |
| 9:45 – 10:00 AM | Break and Refreshments
Atrium, MERF |
| 10:00 – 11:30 AM | SESSION 2
Workplace Culture and the Ethics of Interpersonal Interactions
Erica Carlisle, MD |
| 11:30 – 12:30 PM | Lunch
Atrium, MERF |
| 12:30 – 2:00 PM | SESSION 3
Ethics and Artificial Intelligence in Health Care: Our Choices and Our Selves
Matthew DeCamp, MD, PhD |
| 2:00 – 2:15 PM | Break and Refreshments
Atrium, MERF |
| 2:15 – 3:45 PM | SESSION 4
Should We Sometimes Try to Change a Patient’s Mind? Examining the Ethics of Persuasion in Shared Decision Making in Healthcare
Lauris Kaldjian, MD, PhD |
| 3:45-4:00 PM | Wrap-Up
Lauris Kaldjian, MD, PhD |