

INTENSIVE BIOETHICS COURSE VIRTUAL AGENDA

April 17-21, 2023

PLEASE NOTE TIMES BELOW ARE CENTRAL STANDARD TIME (CST)

Monday, April 17, 2023

- 10:00 a.m. **Welcoming Remarks**
Janet Malek, PhD
- Opening Remarks**
Charles R. Millikan, MTh, DMin
- Center Welcome**
Amy L. McGuire, JD, PhD
- 10:15 a.m. **Course Introduction**
Janet Malek, PhD
- 10:30 a.m. **The Ethics Work-Up**
Janet Malek, PhD
The Ethics Work-Up, developed by Center faculty, is a structured tool that is intended to stimulate moral and self-reflection and to provide intellectual structure and practical guidance to the responsible management of ethical challenges in clinical care.
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch Break**
- 1:00 p.m. **End-of-Life Decision Making and Advance Care Planning**
Savitri Fedson, MD
The session will cover several critical aspects of end-of-life decision making including withholding and withdrawing treatment, medically inappropriate treatment, DNAR orders, and advance directives.
- 2:15 p.m. **Break**
- 2:30 p.m. **Small Group Case Discussions (Zoom breakout rooms)**
- 4:00 p.m. **End of Day**

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

- 10:00 a.m. **Informed Consent and Capacity**
Jennifer Blumenthal-Barby, PhD, MA
This session will cover consent requirements and challenges, shared decision making, tools for assessing decision-making capacity in tough cases, and cognitive biases that can affect decision making.
- 11:15 a.m. **Small Group Case Discussions (Zoom breakout rooms)**
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch Break**
- 1:00 p.m. **Surrogate Decision Making**
Ryan Nelson, PhD

This session will cover the ethical importance of surrogates, the standards of surrogate decision making, and challenges related to making medical decisions for incapacitated patients.

2:15 p.m.

Break

2:30 p.m.

Small Group Case Discussions (Zoom breakout rooms)

4:00 p.m.

End of Day

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

10:00 a.m.

How to Conduct a Clinical Ethics Consultation

Trevor Bibler, PhD

Participants will learn the practical steps involved in conducting a clinical ethics consultation, with a focus on processes including information gathering and issue spotting.

12:00 p.m.

Lunch Break

1:00 p.m.

Mediation and Facilitating Family Meetings

Claire Horner, JD, MA

Effectively leading or assisting with family meetings is a critical skill for clinical ethics consultants. When, why, and how to conduct a family meeting will be discussed in this session along with mediation skills and techniques.

2:15 p.m.

Break

2:30 p.m.

How to Write a Chart Note Workshop

Andrew Childress, PhD, Adam Omelianchuk, PhD

Participants will learn how to write a high-quality ethics chart note. Using small groups, participants will deconstruct several exemplar ethics chart notes, identifying strong and weak ethics chart notes. Essential elements of the chart note, best practices, language to avoid, and how to write strong ethical analyses within chart notes will be discussed.

4:00 p.m.

End of Day

Thursday, April 20, 2023

10:00 a.m.

Quality Improvement

Janet Malek, PhD

During this session, several different types of quality improvement strategies that ethics consultants and ethics consultation services or ethics committees can use to describe and evaluate their consultations will be described.

10:45 a.m.

Break

- 11:00 a.m. **Professionalizing Clinical Ethics Consultation**
Claire Horner, JD, MA
The current movement toward professionalization of clinical ethics consultation and the Healthcare Ethics Consultant Certification process will be reviewed.
- 12:00 p.m. **Lunch Break**
- 1:00 p.m. **Institutional Context: Developing Collaborations and Creating a Committee**
Janet Malek, PhD
This session will consider how an ethics committee can be created to align with institutional values, promote collaboration, and meet the needs of the institution.
- 1:45 p.m. **Policy Development**
Claire Horner, JD, MA
This session will provide general guidance on drafting and implementing ethics policies, plus an opportunity to solicit specific feedback on your own policy challenges.
- 2:45 p.m. **Break**
- 3:00 p.m. **Capstone Case – Role Play**
Clinical Ethics Team
- 4:00 p.m. **End of Day**

Friday, April 21, 2023

- 10:00 a.m. **Breakout Sessions I**
- Pediatrics
 - Ethics in Crisis Standards of Care
 - Futility
 - Moral Distress and Burnout
 - Abortion/Reproductive Ethics, Responding to Religious Reasoning
- 11:00 a.m. **Breakout Sessions II**
- 12:15 p.m. **Question and Answer Session**
Clinical Ethics Team
Participants will have the opportunity to ask a panel of course faculty questions about any of the course topics, including the HEC-C exam, consultative processes, and ethical foundations.
- 1:00 p.m. **Conclusion of Course**