Clinical Ethics: Debates, Decisions, Solutions

Fourteenth Annual UM Conference

April 7, 2006

Wyndham Miami Beach Resort

Featuring Sessions on
• Social Work Ethics
• Women’s Health
• Conservative Bioethics
• End-of-Life Care
• Ethics Committees
• Children with Disabilities
Ethical challenges facing health professionals have never been more important or more numerous. This program emphasizes the theme of ethics and social work, as well as women’s health, social conservatism and politics, end-of-life care, disability and other topics. From the role of ethics committees to controversies in public policy, it is clear that bioethics – and bioethics education – must be assigned the greatest possible roles in the daily lives of individual professionals and their institutions.

Upon completion of this program, participants will:

- Have a better understanding of the role and importance of bioethics in clinical and institutional decision making, especially regarding women’s health, public policy, social work and other topics.
- Be better able to identify ethical challenges and issues in clinical practice, public policy, health law and the role of institutional ethics committees.
- Be better able to articulate ethically optimized solutions in clinical and social contexts.

This course is designed for nurses, physicians, social workers, lawyers, clergy, psychologists, health administrators, philosophers and others with an interest in or a need for continuing education in health ethics.

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of the University of Miami Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine and the Florida Bioethics Network. The University of Miami Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.
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Credit Hours

The University of Miami Leonard M. Miller School of Medicine designates this educational activity for a maximum of 6.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Nurses
CEU hours applied for.

Social Workers
CEU hours applied for.

Attorneys
CLE hours applied for.

Guardians
CEU hours applied for.

Clergy
CCE hours applied for.


7:45 - 8:20 a.m.  Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:20 - 8:30 a.m.  Welcoming Remarks

Kenneth W. Goodman, Ph.D.
Director, Florida Bioethics Network
Director, University of Miami
Bioethics Program
Robin N. Fiore, Ph.D.
Adelaide R. Snyder Professor of Ethics
Department of Philosophy,
Florida Atlantic University

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.  Social Work Ethics

Bernard Gert, Ph.D.
Stone Professor of Intellectual and Moral Philosophy, Department of Philosophy,
Dartmouth College
Kay S. Hoffman, Ph.D.
Dean and Dorothy A. Miller Professor in Social Work Education, University of Kentucky College of Social Work

9:35 - 10:35 a.m.  Ethics and Women’s Health

Frances E. Ashe-Goins, R.N., M.P.H.
Deputy Director, Office on Women’s Health, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC
Patricia C. Kuszler, M.D., J.D.
Charles I. Stone Professor of Law and Director, Multidisciplinary Initiatives,
University of Washington School of Law

10:35 - 10:50 a.m.  Break
10:50 a.m. - 12 p.m. **Toward a Conservative Bioethics**

*David Anderson, D.B.S.*

Pastor, Faith Baptist Church, Sarasota,
Florida Bioethics Network Board of Advisors

*Elizabeth Price Foley, J.D., L.L.M.*

Professor of Law, Florida International University

*Norman Kenyon, M.D.*

Clinical Professor of Surgery, University of Miami Miller School of Medicine; and Trustee, Baptist Health South Florida

12:00 -1:00 p.m. **Moderated Luncheon/Small Group Workshops**

Various University of Miami and visiting faculty moderators. Conference attendees will discuss individual cases (assigned and presented) related to morning presentations in roundtable sessions led by faculty experts.

**CONCURRENT AFTERNOON SESSIONS**

These sessions will run simultaneously. Participants are free to move from track to track and choose presentations of greatest interest.

**SIMULTANEOUS TRACK 1: Ethics and Social Work**

*Chair: Morton I. Teicher Ph.D.*

Founding Dean, Wurzweiler School of Social of Social Work, Yeshiva University

Dean Emeritus, School of Social Work,
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Member, Ethics Committee, Miami Jewish Home and Hospital for the Aged
1:10 - 2:00 p.m.  Proxy Decisionmaking: A New Role for LCSWs
Hana Osman, LCSW, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, University of South Florida
College of Public Health
Florida Bioethics Network Board of Advisors

2:10 - 3:00 p.m.  Professional Boundaries in a Cultural Context:
When Safe is Not Necessarily Appropriate
Allan Barsky, Ph.D.
Professor, Florida Atlantic University School of Social Work

3:10 - 4:00 p.m.  Ethics and Group Work:
Challenges in Privacy and Confidentiality
Joanne Whelley, Ph.D.
Associate Professor, Barry University School of Social Work

SIMULTANEOUS TRACK 2

1:10 - 2:00 p.m.  Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment:
The POLST Initiative
Kenneth Brummel-Smith, M.D.
Charlotte Edwards Maguire Professor and Chair
Department of Geriatrics, Florida State University
College of Medicine

2:10 - 3:00 p.m.  Legislative Update: Bioethics and the Law
Catherine P. Emmett, R.N., M.S.N., C.S.
Senior Friendship Centers, Sarasota
Florida Bioethics Network Board of Advisors
3:10 - 4:00 p.m. Cultural and Spiritual Perspectives on Death and Dying
James Moon, Ph.D.
Board Certified Chaplain, APC, Director of Pastoral Care, South Miami Hospital

SIMULTANEOUS TRACK 3

1:10 - 2:00 p.m. Ethics Committee Update: Education, Policy Review and Consultation
Ray Moseley, Ph.D.
Program in Bioethics, Law and Medical Professionalism, University of Florida College of Medicine

2:10 - 3:00 p.m. The Historical Approach to Ethical Disputes: How Children with Disabilities Are a Special Case
Jeffrey Brosco, M.D., Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics and Pediatrics Director, Bioethics Program, University of Miami

3:10 - 4:00 p.m. Is There a Right and Left About Right and Wrong?
Jeffrey Spike, Ph.D.
Florida State University Department of Medical Humanities and Social Sciences

4:00 p.m. Adjournment and Evaluations

5:00 p.m. Florida Bioethics Network Board Meeting
About UM's Ethics Programs

The University of Miami Ethics Programs include the Bioethics Program, the Business Ethics Program and the Pan American Bioethics Initiative. The programs are dedicated to education, research and community service.

The University of Miami offers a wide range of courses and special programs in professional ethics, and UM ethics faculty are available for community training and consulting efforts in health, business and government ethics, and corporate compliance.

Contributions to support the nonsectarian, nonpartisan mission of the Ethics Programs are welcome and provide an unparalleled opportunity to support Florida ethics education and community programs. Please consider a contribution, or call for more information or to schedule a meeting.

About the Florida Bioethics Network

The Florida Bioethics Network is dedicated to the understanding and resolution of ethical and legal problems arising in health care and research in Florida's hospitals, hospices, nursing homes, managed care organizations and teaching institutions.

For more information about the FBN, its education and consulting services, its special projects, or to contribute to this important work, visit the Web site at http://www.miami.edu/ethics/fbn/index.htm or contact:

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