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## Dialogue 4

# The Terri Schiavo Case: Research Challenges in Death and Dying

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**12 Noon, Friday, January 28, 2005**  
**Rosenstiel Building 3109 (Microbiology Conference Room)**

—————> Lunch will be provided <—————  
(No RSVPs required)

**The case of Terri Schiavo, the Florida woman who has been in a persistent vegetative state for more than 14 years, raises many questions in clinical ethics. But the case has been neglected as a source of insight into collective views about quality of life, attributions of disability and the implications of gender in health policy and patient care. The tragic case could prove instructive for patients and policy makers – and researchers rather than pundits should explore these issues.**

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