The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has issued draft guidance on the use of “electronic informed consent” (eIC) in FDA-regulated clinical trials of medical products, including drugs and biological products, medical devices, and combinations of those products for human use. As part of an effort to harmonize agencies’ regulations and guidance for human subjects research, the federal Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP) is considering a...
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, please click here.

The University of Iowa History of Medicine Society invites you to read “Notes from the John Martin Rare Book Room, September 2016.”

For a copy of the abstract, please click here. The full text of the article is not available at this time.

**PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT**

**BIOMEDICAL ETHICS THREAD IN THE CCOM CURRICULUM**

**DIRECTOR:** **DR. LAURIS KALDJIAN, MD, PhD**

**M1 & M2 Years**

- Semester 1
  - Informed Consent & Shared Decision Making
  - Privacy and Confidentiality
  - Clinical Ethical Reasoning & Goals of Care
  - Ethical Principles & Virtues
  - Cultural & Religious Diversity
  - Conflicts of Interest & Competing Obligations

- Semester 2
  - Solid Organ Transplantation & Diagnosis of Death
  - Disclosure of Medical Errors
  - Professional Duty to Care

- Semester 3
  - Advance Directives, Code Status, & Goals of Care
  - Life Support, Palliation, & Futility

**M2 & M3 Years**

- Ethics & Professionalism Seminars:
  - Internal Medicine Rotation
  - Pediatrics Rotation
  - OB/GYN Rotation

**M4 Year**

- Professionalism Seminars:
  - Sub-Internships in Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Surgery, & Reproductive Endocrinology
  - Critical Care Rotations in the MICU, PICU, & SNICU

For more information about the Biomedical Ethics Thread, please click here.
Angelo Volandes, a physician and noted expert on Advance Care Planning, discusses his book, “The Conversation: A Revolutionary Plan for End-of-Life Care.” This free community program is presented by Honoring Your Wishes, an initiative of Iowa City Hospice, whose mission is to promote a community-wide advance care planning process in which individuals’ health care preferences are discussed, documented, and honored by families, friends, and the health care community.

Register for this program at www.medicine.uiowa.edu/community. If you have questions or require an accommodation in order to participate in this program, email Jane Dohrmann or call Judy at Iowa City Hospice at 319-688-4213.

The University of Iowa Roy J. and Lucille A. Carver College of Medicine will host its tenth annual three-day conference focusing on the links between the science of medicine and the arts.

The program seeks to encourage healthcare professionals, medical educators, patients and their family members to define methods for incorporating writing, humanities, and the arts into medical education, patient and self care, and/or professional development schemes; identify the role that writing, humanities, and the arts can play in such activities; and identify avenues to pursue that can improve their creative or reflective writing; describe and utilize the mechanics of writing for publication. Upon completion of this conference the participant will be able to identify tools to enhance their understanding of medical education, patient and self care, and/or professional development needs; discuss the ethical, emotional, and psychological requirements of these needs; describe methods that can be used to increase the well-being and communication skills of medical learners, healthcare provider, patients and family members; and examine publication practices.

To view the program and register, click here.
CIVILITY ON TRIAL:
NURSES, SURGEONS, AND MEDICAL EXTREMITIES IN CIVIL WAR HOSPITALS
Lecture by Jane E. Schultz

Date: Thursday, October 27, 2016
Time: 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Location: 2117 Medical Education Research Facility (MERF)

The University of Iowa History of Medicine Society and the Iowa Women’s Archives invites you to hear:

Jane E. Schultz
Professor of English and Medical Humanities
Indian University-Purdue University-Indianapolis

"Civility on Trial" considers the clash of expectations that confronted surgeons and relief workers in military hospitals during the Civil War. The spectacle of death that gripped the public imagination raised physicians’ professional status and brought medicine to the center of a cultural dialogue once reserved for the clergy, but it had little impact on raising the prospects of nurses and other subordinate health workers.

BIOETHICS IN THE LITERATURE

⇒ Redman BK, Caplan AL. Limited reproducibility of research findings: Implications for the welfare of research participants and considerations for institutional review boards. IRB. 2016 Jul-Aug; 38: 8-10.
BIOETHICS IN THE LITERATURE (CONTINUED)


BIOETHICS IN THE NEWS


⇒ **Disabled and Fighting for the Right to Vote**. NPR, September 4, 2016.