On May 19th, the Program in Bioethics and Humanities hosted *Ethics in Healthcare 2017* on the campus of the Carver College of Medicine in Iowa City. We were delighted to host professionals from throughout the state of Iowa, and some from across the Mississippi, to this one-day meeting focused on collaborative dialogue and inter-professional exchange. Three large group
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, click here.

If you are interested to see what the UIHC Ethics Subcommittee was reading in May, click on the following links (article 1; article 2; article 3; article 4).

The University of Iowa History of Medicine Society and the John Martin Rare Book Room now have a large number of video and audio recordings of HOMS lectures from 1985-2016. To access the recordings, click here.

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<td>lectures followed by small group case-discussions allowed us to engage a range of challenging topics. Dr. Karl Thomas helped us clarify our understanding of moral distress when providing care at the end-of-life. Dr. Erica Carlisle guided us through the nuanced concerns that arise when trying to enhance shared decision making in the care of adolescent patients. Dr. Lauris Kaldjian presented a framework for thinking about the ethical challenges we encounter when discussing healthcare costs with patients. And we were delighted to have the day capped off by Dr. Peter Angelos, a surgeon-ethicist from the University of Chicago who explored ethical issues that come with surgical innovations. Participants made the Conference a genuine time of engagement, rather than just an opportunity to be informed. We all benefited from the wealth of experience, depth of insight, and range of perspectives they brought to our discussions. We look forward to Ethics in Healthcare 2018!</td>
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Patients with co-existing cancer and mental illness must be given special attention due to the vulnerability that is created by their compromised psychological ability to comprehend the meaning of their cancer diagnosis, treatment, and prognosis. They are at increased risk for mortality due to many factors arising from their mental illness. To provide them with care that is just and compassionate, clinicians must be empathic and imaginative. Using a case and brief application of theories of justice involving vulnerable populations, we explore practical and ethical issues surrounding the care of patients with mental illness and cancer, arguing that society must provide the resources needed to provide comparable cancer care to those who are more vulnerable.
LITERARY HIGHLIGHT FROM A CCOM FACULTY MEMBER

Christmas Rose

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