

Bioethics and Humanities Newsletter

PROGRAM IN BIOETHICS AND HUMANITIES, CARVER COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

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UPCOMING EVENTS

For a list of more upcoming events related to bioethics and humanities, please [click here](#).

QUOTATION OF THE MONTH

Honest communication about limitations [of genetic testing] would go some way to address misunderstandings and thereby influence what can be morally claimed in seeking and having genetic information.... In this way, those who decline will have more support and space in which to consider their decision and will not risk being judged negatively by family members who want and need to know.

Cowley (for more, see [Bioethics](#); 2016)

UIHC ETHICS CONSULT SERVICE

This service is a resource for patients, family members, or health professionals at UIHC who would like help addressing an ethical question or problem related to a patient's care. Consults can be ordered by UIHC clinicians through EPIC. Consults can also be requested by calling (319) 356-1616 and asking for the ethics consultant on call. For more information, please [click here](#).



Welcome to the monthly Bioethics and Humanities Newsletter provided by the Program in Bioethics and Humanities at the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine.

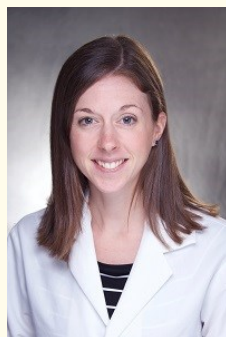
Program in Bioethics and Humanities: *Our Mission*

We are committed to helping healthcare professionals explore and understand the increasingly complex ethical questions that have been brought on by advances in medical technology and the health care system. We achieve this through education, research, and service within the Carver College of Medicine, University of Iowa Health Care, University of Iowa, and the wider Iowa community.

[More Details About The Program](#)

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT

MEET THE NEWEST MEMBER OF THE ETHICS CONSULT SERVICE



Erica Carlisle, MD

Dr. Carlisle is an Affiliate Faculty in the Program in Bioethics and Humanities and Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Surgery at the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine. She received her M.D. from the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine. Dr. Carlisle completed both her Residency in General Surgery

CLINICAL RESEARCH ETHICS SERVICE

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](#).

READING ETHICS AT UIHC

If you are interested to see what the UIHC Ethics Subcommittee was reading in October, please [click here](#).

HISTORY OF MEDICINE SOCIETY

The University of Iowa History of Medicine Society invites you to read "[Notes from the John Martin Rare Book Room, October 2016](#)."

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, please click [here](#).

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT (CONTINUED)

and Fellowship in Pediatric Surgery at the University of Chicago as well as a Fellowship in Clinical Medical Ethics at the University of Chicago MacLean Center for Clinical Medical Ethics. Dr. Carlisle practices Pediatric Surgery at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, serves as a consultant on the hospital's Ethics Consult Service, and is a member of the Ethics Subcommittee. She is on the admissions committee of the Humanities Distinction Track at the College of Medicine and is a facilitator on the Critical Care Fourth Year Professionalism Seminar.

Dr. Carlisle's research interests include shared decision making and patient autonomy in complex surgical decision making.

THE HISTORY OF TORTURE INCLUDING THE EXPERIENCE OF JANUSZ BARDACH

LECTURE BY ROBERT RAKEL

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 invites you to hear:



[Robert Rakel](#)

Professor Emeritus

Department of Family and Community Medicine
Baylor College of Medicine in Houston

Torture has existed for most of recorded history. Until the 2nd century torture was used only on slaves, on the assumption that slaves could not be trusted to reveal the truth voluntarily. Focus will be on doctors who torture, and those who are tortured because they refuse to participate. The classic research study by Stanley Milgram at Yale showed how ordinary, decent people can become torturers. Recent atrocities will be discussed, such as those in Russia (Stalin executed or sent to the gulag twenty million Russians), Germany during WWII, the British in northern Ireland, the Japanese, and the United States.

RESOURCE HIGHLIGHT

ETHICALLY SOUND: A PODCAST OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE STUDY OF BIOETHICAL ISSUES

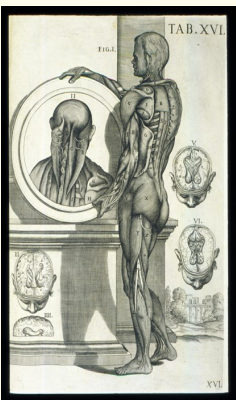
The Presidential Commission for the Study of Bioethical Issues has launched a new podcast series entitled *Ethically Sound*. Join the Bioethics Commission as they discuss 10 ethically challenging topics, ranging from synthetic biology to neuroscience to whole genome sequencing to public health emergency preparedness, among others. Through this podcast series, the Bioethics Commission seeks to bring attention to bioethical issues arising from advances in medicine, science, and technology, and share its recommendations.



To access the podcast series, please [click here](#).

To access the *Ethically Sound* Discussion Guide, please [click here](#). The Discussion Guide provides educators, trainers, and facilitators with discussion questions built on the *Ethically Sound* podcast series.

ROBERT D. SPARKS WRITING CONTEST



The purpose of this contest is to examine the influences of history, ethics, culture, literature, philosophy, sociology, or related frameworks on medicine, the practice of medicine, and the human condition.

Two \$1,200 awards will be given to the best submissions that examine a significant issue in medicine using ethical, historical, or cultural perspectives. This competition is open to all medical students and physician assistant students enrolled in the UI Carver College of Medicine.

Submission should be 2500-5000 words in length, double spaced with 1-inch margins in a 12 point font (approximately 12 to 20 pages).

Deadline for entry: March 21, 2017

For more information, please [click here](#).

THE AMERICAN OSLER SOCIETY
WILLIAM B. BEAN STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD

The American Osler Society announces the availability of an award for support of research in the broad areas of medical history and medical humanities. Candidates must be currently matriculated students in approved schools of medicine in the United States or Canada. The successful applicant may be eligible to present a paper based on his or her findings at the annual meeting of the American Osler Society. The stipend for the coming year will be \$1,500, and up to \$750 additional may be available to support travel to the annual meeting contingent on submission of a paper acceptable to the Committee at the conclusion of the studentship.



Deadline for entry: March 1, 2017

For more information, please [click here](#).

BIOETHICS IN THE LITERATURE

- ⇒ Callier SL, Abudu R, Mehlman MJ, et al. Ethical, legal, and social implications of personalized genomic medicine research: current literature and suggestions for the future. [Bioethics](#). 2016 Nov; 30: 698-705.
- ⇒ Cowley L. What can we learn from patients' ethical thinking about the right 'not to know' in genomics? Lessons from cancer genetic testing for genetic counselling. [Bioethics](#). 2016 Oct; 30: 628-635.
- ⇒ Fitzpatrick EF, Martiniuk AL, D'Antoine H, et al. Seeking consent for research with indigenous communities: A systematic review. [BMC Med Ethics](#). 2016 Oct; 17: 65.
- ⇒ MacKay D, Robinson A. The ethics of organ donor registration policies: Nudges and respect for autonomy. [Am J Bioeth](#). 2016 Nov; 16: 3-12.
- ⇒ Mathews DJ, Hester DM, Kahn J, et al. A conceptual model for the translation of bioethics research and scholarship. [Hastings Cent Rep](#). 2016 Sep; 46: 34-39.
- ⇒ Mezinska S, Kakuk P, Mijaljica G, et al. Research in disaster settings: A systematic qualitative review of ethical guidelines. [BMC Med Ethics](#). 2016 Oct; 17: 62.
- ⇒ Ozawa S, Portnoy A, Getaneh H, et al. Modeling the economic burden of adult vaccine-preventable diseases in the United States. [Health Aff \(Millwood\)](#). 2016 Oct 12. [Epub ahead of print]
- ⇒ Rosenberg AR, Wolfe J, Wiener L, et al. Ethics, emotions, and the skills of talking about progressing disease with terminally ill adolescents: A review. [JAMA Pediatr](#). 2016 Oct 17. [Epub ahead of print]
- ⇒ Verghese A. The importance of being. [Health Affairs](#). 2016 Oct; 35: 1924-1927.
- ⇒ Wardrope A, Reuber M. Diagnosis by documentary: Professional responsibilities in informal encounters. [Am J Bioeth](#). 2016 Nov; 16: 40-50.

BIOETHICS IN THE NEWS

- ⇒ [When Decapitation Doesn't Mean Death](#). The Atlantic, October 26, 2016.
- ⇒ [We Have a Right to Die with Dignity. The Medical Profession Has a Duty to Assist](#). The Conversation, October 25, 2016.
- ⇒ [CRISPR Gene-Editing Controversy Shows Old Ideas about East and West Still Prevail](#). The Conversation, October 24, 2016.
- ⇒ [More Couples Crowd-Funding IVF](#). BioEdge, October 22, 2016.
- ⇒ [Cotard's Syndrome and Bioethics](#). BioEdge, October 8, 2016.

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