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# Ethics in health care

Building competence for health professionals



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# Health care organizations face ethical dilemmas every day

## Who should own these DVDs?

The Ethics in Health Care DVD series is designed for ethics committees, policymakers, administrators and health professionals who want to bridge the gap between academic bioethics and clinical practice.

Ethics in Health Care provides viewers with comprehensive exposure to:

- The general scope and substance of ethics as a discipline
- The various theoretical approaches in bioethics
- The methodology of ethical deliberation
- Ethical decision-making in practice



How should health professionals approach the ethical issues surrounding patient autonomy, family dynamics, and end-of-life decisions?

What ethical issues arise from religious and cultural diversity?

How does an organization's ethical culture influence decision-making? Which values should determine resource allocation?

These are some of the ethical issues addressed in Ethics in Health Care, an 11-DVD educational series developed by the Provincial Health Ethics Network (Alberta, Canada). Accompanying the series are a list of supplementary readings and discussion questions to provoke thought and deliberation in both individual and group settings, which can help health care providers deal with ethical issues that arise in practice.

## FEATURED SPEAKERS

**Robert M. Veatch, Ph.D.**, Professor of Medical Ethics and former Director of the Kennedy Institute of Ethics at Georgetown University, and Senior Editor of the Kennedy Institute of Ethics Journal.

**Nuala Kenny, O.C., M.D., FRCPC**, founder of the Department of Bioethics at Dalhousie in 1996, and a former member on the Committees on Biomedical Ethics of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, and the Canadian Pediatric Society.

**James F. Childress, Ph.D.**, Professor of Ethics, Professor of Medical Education, and Director of the Institute for Practical Ethics and Public Life at the University of Virginia.

**Alice Dreger, Ph.D.**, Professor of Clinical Medical Humanities and Bioethics at the Feinberg School of Medicine of Northwestern University in Chicago.

**Edmund D. Pellegrino, M.D.**, Professor Emeritus of Medicine and Medical Ethics, Center for Clinical Bioethics, Georgetown University Medical Center, and former Director of the Kennedy Institute of Ethics and the Center for the Advanced Study of Ethics at Georgetown.

# DVD module descriptions

Each module is presented as a stand-alone DVD. Order individual modules or the entire set, which includes all 11 modules plus a bonus DVD.

## **1. Duties or Consequences: Foundational Ideas**

*Alister Browne*

Explores the differences between duty-based and utilitarian normative theories and where these fit within the broader context of ethics.

## **2. Common Morality: A Principlist Approach**

*Robert M. Veatch*

Examines the principles of autonomy, beneficence, non-maleficence and justice and discusses their strengths and limitations.

## **3. Respect for Autonomy: A Closer Look**

*James F. Childress*

Explores autonomy, the hallmark principle of bioethics in Western societies, with a view to gaining a deeper understanding of its role.

## **4. On Being Good: Virtue Ethics**

*Edmund D. Pellegrino*

Explains the history and nature of virtue ethics and its role in patient care decisions.

## **5. Ethics in a World of Difference: Challenges of Human Diversity**

*Alice Dreger*

Explores how particular groups in our society have been subjugated, and how we might respond to their claims.

## **6. More Sides to the Story: Faith Based Perspectives**

*Mary Lou Cranston*

Reviews religious traditions as a source of values, and explores several particular religious perspectives.

## **7. In Need of a Map! Concepts and Frameworks in Ethical Decision Making**

*Patricia Rodney & Michael McDonald*

Discusses the concepts of group

dynamics, deliberation and decision-making as they relate to clinical care

## **8. Issues at the End of Life: Caring Ethically**

*Peter A. Singer*

Introduces end-of-life issues such as withholding versus withdrawing care, nutrition and hydration, euthanasia, and advance directives.

## **9. Allocating Scarce Resources: Who Benefits?**

*Robert M. Veatch*

Explores the values and tensions implicit in resource allocation decisions and offers a framework for ethical decision-making.

## **10. Systems and Structures: Ethics in Organizations**

*Nuala Kenny*

Examines the ethical culture of organizations and its impact on inter-professional relationships, decision-making, and patient care.

## **11. Clinical Ethics Consultation: Providing Support**

*Michael M. Burgess*

Explores the objectives of clinical consultations and the role of ethics committees in this capacity.

## **Bonus DVD when purchasing all 11 modules:**

## **12. Ethics: What is it and Why is it Important?**

*Michael Stingl*

Features interviews with the series' speakers on topics such as the role of moral theory in practice

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# Our commitment: reasoned, thoughtful dialogue on bioethics

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