ETHICS SUBCOUNCIL

Newsletter

JUNE 2024



Upcoming Events

- Bioethics Grand Rounds

 Monthly, first Wednesday @ 12 pm
- Ethics Liaison Program

 Application due June 23, 2024
- Advanced Certificate Program in
 - Apply due June 15, 2024
- MS Degree in Medical Humanities

 Application due June 15, 2024
- Schwartz Rounds

 Monthly, 3rd Wednesday @ 12pm
- <u>Health Humanities Grand Rounds</u> Monthly, 2nd Friday at 12pm

How to Call an Ethics Consult?

- Clinical ethics consults are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Web Paging: on-call clinical ethics consultant
- SMH Operator/Paging Service (585) 275-2222 & ask to page the Clinical Ethics Consultant on call
- Anyone can call an Ethics Consult

Resources

<u>Ask Jane</u> for Non-urgent general ethical questions



Ethics Subcouncil Contacts

Misson Statement

The mission of the PNC Ethics Sub-Council is to provide guidance, support and mentorship to all members of the Health Care Team, with the goal of providing ethically competent and compassionate patient care.

PNC Ethics Sub-Council advocates for the development of and participation in educational opportunities in clinical ethics.

PNC Ethics Sub-council:

Monthly meeting: 3rd Tuesday 1pm-2pm

Who can join?

- Ethics liaison program graduates Nurses or APPs with background in
- clinical ethics
- RN Level III-Senior Level III

Fast Facts

What is the Ethics Liaison Program at URMC?

The Ethics Liaison Program was designed to enhance understanding and response to ethical challenges encountered by healthcare professionals at URMC. The program covers basic ethics knowledge, including topics of moral distress, compassion fatigue, futility, religion, active listening, diversity, equity, and inclusion.

This nine-month program, totaling 36 hours of in person class time, supports participants in ethical reasoning and mitigating moral distress through reading, case discussion, and strategic use of ethical tools.

By participating, you will gain a deeper insight into the rules and expectations that govern professional decisions and behaviors. Your final project will focus on ways to promote ethical practices within your heálthcare environment.

What do program graduates do?

Ethics liaison program graduates act as supportive resources for their specialty, unit and department. Graduates can provide debriefing and moral distress support for staff. Past graduates have implemented ethics resources, provided education and training in their workplace.

This program collaborates with the Ethics Consult Team, EAP, Chaplaincy, Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, and the Division of Medical Humanities, to explore unique ways of addressing and resolving ethical problems.

Next Steps

If you have experiences ethical challenges or have an interest in ethics, consider applying for the 2024-2025 cohort. Applications are open (see above for link) and require approval by your manager and department director. Join us for another enriching year of exploring ethics!

Evidence Based Article

<u>Nursing Ethics Liaison Program: A Pilot</u>

<u> Chiafery, Marianne ; Keady, Karen</u> The Journal of clinical ethics, 2023-12, Vol.34 (4), p.342-351