CLEVELAND STATE UNIVERSITY

CLINICAL ISSUES IN BIOETHICS

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SECTION 90

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SYLLABUS

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This course focuses on a wide range of moral problems which arise
in the day-to-day practices of health care professionals: clinical
trials of experimental drugs, assisted suicide, Patient Self-
Determination Act, withholding diagnoses from patients, defective
neonates, HIV-seropositivity in health care providers, restraining
geriatric, pediatric and psychiatric patients, reporting substance
abuse, mislabeling medications, on-line, over-the-phone diagnosis
and treatment, patient selection criteria for organ transplants.

Students must self-document at least 20 hours of clinical
experience. This may be from professional employment, volunteer
work, or rotation prior to or during the course. Clinical
experiences for students who have not already met this requirement
can be arranged through the Program Director.

TEXT: None required. Journal articles on reserve,
Classroom viewing of videotapes.

1/5 Introduction & Overview, course requirements, handout: how to
write a clinical ethics paper. Assisted Suicide: Nursing Home
Administration, Rehabilitation Therapy, Medicine, Nursing,
Psychiatry. In class: videotape on burn patient, DAX Cowart.

1/12 Code Gray videotape in class. Discussion.

1/19 Patient Requests for Medications: Pharmacy, Psychiatry and
General Practice. Read: Redden & Waite article.

1/26 Telephone Diagnosis/Unauthorized Practice: Sonography,
Pharmacy. Read: Kisslo & Adams article, McDonald, Rice,
Marcella, Reller & Imus article, Hopefl article, Kelly,
Krause, Krowinski, Small & Drane article.
2/2 >>>> Hand in topic for research paper, brief bibliography. Discussion: PSDA implications for emergency medicine. Iserson article.

2/09 PRESIDENT’S DAY SPECIAL: Lying to Patients/Withholding Diagnoses. Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Nursing Home Administration. In class videotape: Deception.

2/16 PRESIDENT’S DAY SPECIAL: Mislabelling Meds. Pharmacy, Medicine, Nursing, Nursing Home Administration. Read: Clyne, Gray & Veatch article, Cross article. Hand in Prospectus with expanded bibliography.

2/23 HIV-seropositive Health Care Providers. Pharmacy, Allied Health, Medicine, Nursing. Read: Huffman article, Brattebo & Wisborg article.

3/3 Restraints in Pediatric, Geriatric and Adult Psychiatric populations. Nursing, Nursing Home Administration, Pharmacy, Medicine. Read: Strumpf & Evans article.

3/10 CLASS PRESENTATIONS

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READING LIST - BIOETHICS II  PHL 441/541


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