

TO TREAT OR NOT TO TREAT THE ETHICAL METHODOLOGY OF RICHARD A MCCORMICK SJ AS APPLIED TO TREATMENT DECISIONS READ ONLY

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To Treat Or Not To Treat The Ethical Methodology Of Richard A McCormick Sj As Applied To Treatment Decisions Introduction

To Treat Or Not to Treat

Medical and ethical decision concerning treatment for handicapped newborns have always been difficult. Despite technological advances, parents and health-care professionals still search for criteria that will address treatment categories from an ethical standpoint. Richard A. McCormick, a leading Roman Catholic moral theologian, has proposed a patient-centered, quality-of-life approach to treatment decision that appears to meet the needs of decision-makers. Peter A. Clark applies McCormick's ethical approach to five categories of handicapped newborns as a practical demonstration of the treatment decision process. "Clark constructs, analyzes, and criticizes McCormick's developing methodology which McCormick himself never explicitly elaborated in his own writings." -Charles E. Curran, Southern Methodist University "Modern neonatology has worked wonders in the care of the newborn. Some of its successes have however resulted in the most difficult clinical and ethical dilemmas. Physicians, families and nurses will need and appreciate Fr. Peter Clark's judicious, sensitive and practical guidance through both the philosophical and the theological issues." - Edmund D. Pellegrino, Georgetown University Medical Center

Too Expensive to Treat?

The moral status of newborn infants -- Arguments against the social quality of life model -- The "weak" social quality of life model -- A constructive proposal for reforming the treatment and care of imperiled newborns.

Contemporary Issues in Bioethics

The main strength of this book is the international exchange of ideas that will not only highlight many of these crucial bioethical issues but will strengthen the discipline of bioethics both nationally and globally. A critical exchange of ideas allows everyone to learn and benefit from the insights gained through others experiences. Analyzing and understanding real medical-ethical issues and cases and how they are resolved is the basis of education in bioethics for those who will have to make these decisions in the future. The more we examine, analyze, and debate these bioethical issues and cases, the more knowledge will be gained and hopefully, we will all gain more practical wisdom.

Bioethics

The main strength of this book is that it examines the challenges facing the field of Bioethics today from

medical, ethical and legal perspectives. A critical exchange of ideas from professionals in interdisciplinary fields allows everyone to learn and benefit from the insights gained through others' experiences. Examining, analyzing and understanding these complex medical-ethical-legal issues and cases and how they are resolved will serve as a paradigm for all professionals who will be confronted with these complex bioethical issues now and in the future. The more we face these challenges directly, examine them critically and debate them enthusiastically the more knowledge will be gained and hopefully, we will gain more practical wisdom.

Bioethical Issues in Healthcare

This book examines the challenges in bioethics from medical, ethical, legal, and industrial perspectives. A critical exchange of ideas from professionals in interdisciplinary fields allows all people to learn and benefit from their far-reaching insights gained through personal and professional experiences in the fields of medicine and research. Examining these complex issues, ranging from brain-computer interfaces to disabilities in health care to the determination of death to safe injection sites, presents viable paradigms for all healthcare professionals who are being confronted with these issues today and in the future. The more we face these challenges directly, examine them critically, analyze them thoroughly, and debate them enthusiastically the more knowledge will be gained and hopefully more lives will be saved.

Bioethics and the Common Good

In this magisterial volume Charles E. Curran surveys the historical development of Catholic moral theology in the United States from its 19th century roots to the present day. He begins by tracing the development of pre-Vatican II moral theology that, with the exception of social ethics, had the limited purpose of training future confessors to know what actions are sinful and the degree of sinfulness. Curran then explores and illuminates the post-Vatican II era with chapters on the effect of the Council on the scope and substance of moral theology, the impact of *Humanae vitae*, Pope Paul VI's encyclical condemning artificial contraception, fundamental moral theology, sexuality and marriage, bioethics, and social ethics. Curran's perspective is unique: For nearly 50 years, he has been a major influence on the development of the field and has witnessed first-hand the dramatic increase in the number and diversity of moral theologians in the academy and the Church. No one is more qualified to write this first and only comprehensive history of Catholic moral theology in the United States.

Catholic Moral Theology in the United States

With more than 800 topics from over 300 contributors, *Encyclopedia of Catholic Social Thought, Social Science, and Social Policy* is a comprehensive introduction to the Catholic vision of society, social relations, and the human being. It combines theoretical work on important topics and scholarly disciplines (e.g., economics, moral theology, natural law, philosophy, psychology); social science perspectives on a variety of topics (e.g., alcoholism and drug abuse, forgiveness and mercy, globalization); and treatment of practical policy implications that flow from applying the Catholic religious, moral, and intellectual tradition to contemporary issues (e.g., abortion, assisted suicide, immigration policy, school choice, torture). The book reflects a broad range of Catholic thought that is international in scope, but with an emphasis on the American situation. Its interdisciplinary approach offers insights from a variety of perspectives: theological, philosophical, historical, economical, sociological, political, psychological, and legal. The work will appeal to individuals who want a clear and accurate introduction to Catholic social thought and a Catholic-informed social science and social policy. One certainly need not be a devotee and advocate for Catholic social thinking to find this encyclopedia of good use as a handy reference tool.

Encyclopedia of Catholic Social Thought, Social Science, and Social Policy

Health care is clearly in transition -- but to where? Managed or unmanaged care? HMO's or not? Are insurance companies and hospitals the enemy of health care for their own patients? What about the

40,000,000 uninsured in America? Don't ask the patients, for they have become the ping pong balls in the health care game. This book examines important issues in this ever-growing maze.

Health Care in Transition

Every 3rd issue is a quarterly cumulation.

The Catholic Periodical and Literature Index

Abstracts of dissertations available on microfilm or as xerographic reproductions.

The British National Bibliography

A conflict arises in the clinic over the care of a critically ill, incapacitated patient. The clinicians and the patient's family confront a difficult choice: to treat or not to treat? Decisions to withdraw or withhold life-sustaining treatment feature frequently in the courts and in the world's media, with prominent examples including the cases of Charlotte Wyatt, in the UK, and Terri Schiavo, in the USA. According to legislation like the Mental Capacity Act 2005, the central issues are the welfare (or 'best interests') of the patient, alongside any wishes they might have conveyed, via an 'advance directive' or through the appointment of a 'lasting power of attorney'. Richard Huxtable argues that the law governing both welfare and wishes frequently fails to furnish clinicians and families with the guidance they require. However, he finds this unsurprising, given the competing ethical issues at stake. Huxtable proposes that there is a case for 'principled compromise' here, such that the processes for resolving principled disputes take precedence. He argues for greater ethical engagement, through a reinvigorated system of clinical ethics support, in which committees work alongside the courts to resolve the conflicts that can arise at the limits of life. Providing a comprehensive account of the law pertaining to children and adults alike, and distinctively combining medico-legal and bioethical insights, this book engages scholars and students from both disciplines, as well as informing clinicians about the scope (and limits) of law at the limits of life.

Internationale Bibliographie der Rezensionen wissenschaftlicher Literatur

A thorough survey of the ethical literature regarding the treatment or nontreatment of handicapped newborns.

Book Review Index

Abstract: A comprehensive report by the US President's Commission for the Study of Ethical Problems in Medicine and Biomedical and Behavioral Research addresses some of the most important and troubling ethical and legal questions in modern medicine for consideration by health care professionals, lawyers, and relatives of patients regarding the sensitive topic of voluntary cessation of life-sustaining therapy for the seriously ill. It was concluded that the cases that involve true ethical difficulties are much fewer than commonly believed and that the perception of difficulties primarily occurs because of misunderstandings about the dictates of law and ethics. It also is concluded that, while competent informed patients have the authority to decline or accept health care, others must act on the behalf of incompetent patients. The report urges that health care institutions develop and use internal review methods that permit exploration of all relevant issues. The 7 report chapters are grouped around 2 themes: the various aspects of making treatment decisions; and patient groups raising special concerns (e.g.: permanently-unconscious patients; seriously-ill newborns. (wz).

Dissertation Abstracts International

Reviews the issues involved in most of the principal medical-ethical dilemmas that face our society from a

multidisciplinary point of view. Updated to reflect the many changes that have occurred in medical-ethical issues.

Law, Ethics and Compromise at the Limits of Life

This volume joins other recently published works on the ethical and legal considerations of life-sustaining treatments. Sherlock and Dingus focus on medical decision making involving children and incompetent adults, and the issue of how these decisions should be made. Discussion begins with the various meanings of family and the psychosocial issues in family involvement. The authors explore differences in decision making for the incompetent adult and for the child, and consider the pros and cons of family decision making as well as alternative decision making methods. They argue for an ethics committee review of selected difficult cases. The use of relevant cases to depict the legal aspects involved in medical decision making for children and incompetent adults helps clarify the issues involved. . . . A valuable reference for graduate or professional collections. Choice Written by a specialist in medical ethics and a practicing medical psychologist, this book is a comprehensive review of the complex issues involved in family decisionmaking in medicine. Although much has been written about the treatment of seriously ill patients, little has been written about those involved in the complicated decisionmaking process for incompetent patients. This volume, therefore, fills an important gap in the literature. In addition to treating general issues in ethics and psychology, the authors also address the realities of actual clinical decisionmaking, setting their work apart from more traditional studies of medical ethics.

To Treat Or Not to Treat

Tough Decisions places readers in realistic composites of cases the authors have actually seen or managed where they must make tough medical decisions. What happens in them often depends on the reader's decisions and thus gives a sense of pressures that bear on clinical-decision making.

Deciding to Forego Life-sustaining Treatment

For the first time this book brings together many of the important essays that have shaped the debate on the quality of life.

Making Health Care Decisions

Specialists in medical ethics update their 1996 guide for practitioners with new discussions on such topics as futility, organ donation and procurement, the physical treatment of relatives, research by a treating physician, complementary and alternative medicine, direct-to-consumer advertising of prescription drugs, and genetic testing. The case studies and commentary were developed from 1990 to 2003 under the auspices of the College's Ethics and Human Rights Committee, and have been published in similar form in the ACP Observer. Annotation : 2005 Book News, Inc., Portland, OR (booknews.com)

Good Care, Painful Choices (Third Edition)

This book is the most comprehensive treatment available of one of the most urgent problems in bioethics: decision-making for incompetents.

Making Health Care Decisions

Make the right choice when facing the ethical issues that arise in clinical practice with this proven, trusted approach Solve everyday ethical problems with: The Four Topics Method: An easy approach used to identify, analyze, and resolve ethical problems in clinical medicine Numerous concise, illustrative case

examples Current opinion on today's most controversial issues such as physician-assisted death, genetic testing and screening, and stem-celled transplantation Ethical considerations in research trials, palliative care, and other growing medical areas Practical coverage of all the important legal issues One the most-trusted guides to ethical healthcare

Families and the Gravely III

"The cases are presented in a concise and interesting manner... highlights the emerging consciousness of the importance of the contractual arrangement between physician and patient... " -- Journal of the American Medical Association "The cases presented are interesting ones, and the commentaries are uniformly lucid.... Highly recommended... " -- Religious Studies Review "Cohen contributes a well-selected collection of cases and commentaries which are presented in a crisp style... it is likely to have a real impact." -- Ethics Twenty-six reports based on actual cases with expert commentary that illuminate the ethical, medical, legal, and psychological contours of dilemmas surrounding termination of treatment decisions. Cases involve patients, families, physicians, nurses, lawyers, and health care administrators. A companion volume to the Hastings Center's Guidelines. See Guidelines for ad quotes when advertising both books.

Tough Decisions

Clinical Ethics introduces the four-topics method of approaching ethical problems (i.e., medical indications, patient preferences, quality of life, and contextual features). Each of the four chapters represents one of the topics. In each chapter, the authors discuss cases and provide comments and recommendations. The four-topics method is an organizational process by which clinicians can begin to understand the complexities involved in ethical cases and can proceed to find a solution for each case.

Quality of Life

This volume provides a collection of case studies representing a wide range of the ethical issues surgeons confront today. This excellent text for academic courses in surgical ethics is a fascinating read for practicing surgeons. The editors guide us through 60 brief, realistic, and ethically complex problems, offering a series of five possible resolutions to each and guiding us through the relative benefits and weaknesses of the options until a best ethical choice is arrived at. The volume includes sections on Consent and Disclosure, Self-Regulations, Research and Innovation, Conflicts of Interest, Business Dealings, and End of Life Issues, each with a brief introduction by the editors.

Theological Studies

Examines the issues in medical ethics faced by doctors and their patients. This book also discusses the distinction and potential conflicts between legal and ethical obligations while making clinical decisions. It includes sections on: Genetic testing, Organ donation, Care of patients at the end of life, Health and human rights, and more.

Making Health Care Decisions: Appendices

"Issues in bioethics, medicine, and healthcare continue to plague us - as patients as consumers, as citizens. Here, under one cover, are thirty of the most current and perceptive articles, culled from key medical, ethical, philosophical, legal and theological journals. Dr. Shannon once again offers - to healthcare professionals and students alike - access to this decade's core bioethics questions, a spectrum of viewpoints, and a wealth of insight."--BOOK JACKET.Title Summary field provided by Blackwell North America, Inc. All Rights Reserved

Making Health Care Decisions: Appendices, empirical studies of informed consent

This book provides an account of the ethics of chronic illness. Chronic illness differs from other illnesses in that it is often incurable, patients can live with it for many years, and its day-to-day management is typically carried out by the patient or members of their family. These features problematise key distinctions that underlie much existing work in medical ethics including those between beneficence and autonomy, between treatment and prevention, and between the recipient and provider of treatment. The author carries out a detailed reappraisal of the roles of both autonomy and beneficence across the different stages of treatment for a range of chronic illnesses. A central part of the author's argument is that in the treatment of chronic illness, the patient and/or the patient's family should be seen as acting with healthcare professionals to achieve a common aim. This aspect opens up unexplored questions such as what healthcare professionals should do when patients are managing their illness poorly, the ethical implications of patients being responsible for parts of their treatment, and how to navigate sharing information with those directly involved in patient care without violating privacy or breaching confidentiality. The author addresses these challenges by engaging with philosophical work on shared commitments and joint action, responsibility and justice, and privacy and confidentiality. The *Ethics of Chronic Illness* provides a new, and much needed, critical reappraisal of healthcare professionals' obligations to their patients. It will be of interests to academics working in bioethics and medical ethics, philosophers interested in the topics of autonomy, responsibility, and consent, and medical practitioners who treat patients with chronic illness.

Ethical Choices

Features clinical cases illustrating the key topics important in understanding Medical Ethics. Each case prompts candidates to decide upon the necessary investigations, set their own research objectives and direct their own learning.

Appendices : Empirical studies of informed consent

Originally published in 1999, this classic textbook includes twenty-six cases with commentary and bibliographic resources designed especially for medical students and the training of ethics consultants. The majority of the cases reflect the day-to-day moral struggles within the walls of hospitals. As a result, the cases do not focus on esoteric, high-tech dilemmas like genetic engineering or experimental protocols, but rather on fundamental problems that are pervasive in basic healthcare delivery in the United States: where to send a frail, elderly patient who refuses to go to a nursing home, what role the family should play in making a treatment decision, what a hospital should do when it is getting stuck with too many unpaid bills. This thoroughly revised and updated second edition includes thirteen new cases, five of which are designated as "skill builder" cases aimed specifically at persons who wish to conduct clinical ethics case consultations. The new cases highlight current ethical challenges that arise in caring for populations such as undocumented immigrant patients, persons with substance use disorders involving opioids, and ethical issues that arise beyond the bedside at the organizational level. The reader is invited to use the supplemental videos and assessment tools available on the website of the Loyola University Chicago ACES project (www.LUC.edu/ethicsconsult).

Deciding for Others

Tough Decisions presents many of the complex medical-ethical issues likely to confront practitioners in critical situations. Through fictional but true-to-life cases, vividly described in clinical terms, the authors force the reader to choose among different courses of action and to confront a range of possible consequences. A two-year-old has been diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor. Who should be allowed to make decisions about the child's surgery and subsequent therapy, and on what basis? A family history of Huntington's disease emerges when a fiancée seeks genetic counseling. Who should be informed? An elderly patient suffers a cardiac arrest. Should "do-not-resuscitate" orders always be followed? How should legal

liability affect medical decisions? Other ethical issues considered include surgical complications, patient autonomy, rights of the retarded, informed consent, euthanasia, and the fair allocation of finite resources. Each case presented conveys the drama and pressure of weighing alternatives, and the realistic consequences of the choices made. The authors show that ethical decision-making is not limited to \"matters of life and death\"

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