INTENSIVE BIOETHICS COURSE AGENDA
April 29-May 3, 2019

Monday, April 29, 2019

Baylor College of Medicine, Rayzor Lounge/Cullen Auditorium

4:30 p.m.    Registration

5:15 p.m.    Welcoming Remarks
Janet Malek, PhD

Opening Remarks
Charles R. Millikan, MTh, DMin

Opening Session: Case Improvisation
Sophia Fantus, PhD and Clinical Ethics Team

6:30 p.m.    Working Dinner: Course Introduction
Janet Malek, PhD

Tuesday, April 30, 2019

Baylor College of Medicine, DeBakey Building, Room M323

8:00 a.m.    Breakfast

8:30 a.m.    The Ethics Work-Up
Janet Malek, PhD
The Ethics Work-Up, developed by Center faculty, is a structured tool that is intended to stimulate moral and self-reflection and to provide intellectual structure and practical guidance to the responsible management of ethical challenges in clinical care.

9:45 a.m.    Break

10:00 a.m.   Small Group Case Discussions

11:30 a.m.   Lunch

12:45 p.m.   Informed Consent and Capacity
Jennifer Blumenthal-Barby, PhD, MA
This session will cover consent requirements and challenges, shared decision making, tools for assessing decision-making capacity in tough cases, and standards for surrogate decision-making.

1:45 p.m.    Pediatrics
Janet Malek, PhD
Ethical issues throughout the continuum from birth through adolescence, focusing on the complex relationship between parent, child, and clinician in medical decision making will be explored.

2:45 p.m.    Break

3:00 p.m.    Small Group Case Discussions

4:30 p.m.    Conclusion of day
Wednesday, May 1, 2019

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| 8:30 a.m. | **End-of-Life Decision-Making and Advance Care Planning**  
*Savitri Fedson, MD*  
The session will cover several critical aspects of end-of-life decision making including withholding and withdrawing treatment, medically inappropriate treatment, DNAR orders, and advance directives. |
| 9:30 a.m. | Small Group Case Discussions |
| 10:45 a.m. | Break                  |
| 11:00 a.m. | **Religious Perspectives on Life and Death**  
*Trevor Bibler, PhD, MTS*  
The impact that a patients’ religious beliefs may have on their decisions about medical care will be described and approaches for responding to spiritual claims will be discussed. |
| 12:00 p.m. | Lunch                  |
| 1:00 p.m.  | **Institutional Context: Developing Collaborations and Creating a Committee**  
*Janet Malek, PhD*  
This session will consider how an ethics committee can be created to align with institutional values, promote collaboration, and meet the needs of the institution. |
| 2:00 p.m.  | **Policy Development**  
*Claire Horner, JD, MA*  
This session will provide general guidance on drafting and implementing ethics policies, plus an opportunity to solicit specific feedback on your own policy challenges. |
| 2:30 p.m.  | **Workshop and Roundtables**  
*Janet Malek, PhD, Claire Horner, JD, MA*  
Participants will collaborate to develop a plan for enhancing or expanding the educational, policy-based, or consultation work of their institution’s ethics committee. |
| 4:00 p.m.  | Conclusion of Day        |
Thursday, May 2, 2019

Baylor College of Medicine, DeBakey Building, Room M323

8:00 a.m.  Breakfast

8:30 a.m.  **How to Conduct a Clinical Ethics Consult**
*Andrew Childress, PhD*
Participants will learn the practical steps involved in conducting a clinical ethics consultation, with a focus on processes including information gathering and issue spotting.

10:00 a.m.  **Clinical Ethics Consultation: Case Deconstruction**
*Andrew Childress, PhD*

10:45 a.m.  Break

11:00 a.m.  **Facilitating Family Meetings**
*Claire Horner, JD, MA*
Effectively leading or assisting with family meetings is a critical skill for clinical ethics consultants. When, why, and how to conduct a family meeting will be discussed in this session.

12:00 p.m.  Lunch

1:00 p.m.  **Difficult Conversations Workshop**
*Trevor Bibler, PhD, MTS*
This interactive session takes a close look at difficult conversations that clinical ethicists may need to have and offers specific strategies to help them go well.

3:00 p.m.  Break

3:15 p.m.  **Facilitating Family Meetings: Role Plays**
Participants will have the opportunity to practice skills learned throughout the day in the context of a simulated family meeting.

4:30 p.m.  Conclusion of Day
Friday, May 3, 2019

Baylor College of Medicine, DeBakey Building, Room M323

8:30 a.m. Breakfast

9:00 a.m. How to Write a Chart Note  
Andrew Childress, PhD
Participants will learn how to write a high-quality ethics chart note. Using small groups, participants will deconstruct several exemplar ethics chart notes, identifying strong and weak ethics chart notes. Essential elements of the chart note, best practices, language to avoid, and how to write strong ethical analyses within chart notes will be discussed.

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Quality Improvement  
Janet Malek, PhD
During this session, several different types of quality improvement strategies that ethics consultants and ethics consultation services or ethics committees can use to describe and evaluate their consultations will be described.

11:15 a.m. Professionalizing Clinical Ethics Consultation  
Trevor Bibler, PhD, MTS
The current movement toward professionalization of clinical ethics consultation and the Healthcare Ethics Consultant Certification process will be reviewed.

11:45 a.m. Working Lunch: Question and Answer Session  
Clinical Ethics Team
Participants will have the opportunity to ask a panel of course faculty questions about any of the course topics, including the HEC-C exam, consultative processes, and ethical foundations.