Welcome

The Center for Bioethics at Harvard Medical School is dedicated to ensuring that values and ethics are always part of medical training, clinical practice, research, and the ongoing education of health professionals. The Center’s mission is to bring together the rich intellectual resources of the Medical School and University with health professionals and scientists from our affiliated teaching hospitals and institutions, along with colleagues from around the world, to encourage reflection about the profound moral questions raised by present and future advances in health care and the life sciences.

Established in 1992 by Robert Truog, MD, MA, the Fellowship in Medical Ethics, builds the bioethics capacity of Harvard affiliated teaching hospitals and contributes to the education of selected Fellows from other institutions across the U.S. and the world. Fellows come from many disciplines, including medicine, nursing, psychology, journalism, law, religion and social work, and live and work in the U.S. or abroad, including Australia, Germany, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, Switzerland, and the UK. To date, 209 fellows have completed this Fellowship, and have taken leadership roles in bioethics programs in a wide variety of health care institutions, state departments of human services, public and mental health, academic settings, and non-profit organizations. For the past fourteen years, the program has been under the directorship of Mildred Solomon, EdD who succeeded Walter M. Robinson, MD, MPH in 2002.
Schedule of Events

5:30 pm
Cocktail Reception

6:15 pm
Welcome
Robert Truog, M.D. and Christine Mitchell, R.N., M.S., M.T.S.

6:30 pm
Panel I
The first “Lightning Talk” Panel

7:00 pm
Dinner

8:00 pm
Panel II
The second “Lightning Talk” Panel

8:30 pm
Coffee and Desserts

Guest Speakers

Panel I

A Matter of Life and Death: Physician Assistant Attitudes on Assisted Dying

Sharyn Kurtz, PA-C, M.P.A.S., M.A.
Physician Assistant
Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center

CEC’s Report on Medical Decision-Making for Unknown and Unrepresented Patients

Carol Powers, J.D.
Co-Founder and Chair of the Community Ethics Committee

Variability in Decision-Making and Outcomes in Infants with Neurological Disorders

David Urion, M.D., FAAN
Charles F. Barlow Chair in Neurology
Boston Children’s Hospital

Translating Clinical Ethics from Human Healthcare to Veterinary Medicine

Lisa Moses, V.M.D., DACVIM
Pain and Palliative Medicine Service
MSPCA-Angell Animal Medical Center
Guest Speakers

Panel II

Proposed Common Rule Changes for Survey Research: Potential Challenges if the NPRM is Adopted As-Is

Melissa Abraham, M.Sc., Ph.D.
Chair, Partners Human Research Committee (IRB)
Faculty Associate, Center for Bioethics

The Ethics of Healthcare Professionalism: When Things Go Wrong

David Browning, MSW, LICSW
Senior Associate
Institute for Professionalism and Ethical Practice
Boston Children’s Hospital

Teaching Medical Ethics to Surgical Residents: Requirements, Curricula, and Lessons Learned

Piroska Kopar, M.D.
Cardiac Surgery Fellow
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center

Adolescents in the Genomic Age

Maya Sabatello, LL.B., Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Clinical Bioethics
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Fellowship Director

Mildred Z. Solomon, Ed.D
Fellowship Director

Mildred Solomon, Ed.D, is Professor of Anesthesia at Harvard Medical School and a core faculty member of the Center for Bioethics at HMS, where she directs the school’s Fellowship in Bioethics. Professor Solomon is also the President and CEO of The Hastings Center, an independent research institute in Garrison, NY that explores ethical issues in health, health care and the life sciences. A bioethicist and social science researcher who conducts both normative and empirical ethics research, Dr. Solomon’s own scholarship has focused on the ethics of end-of-life care for both adults and children, organ transplantation, research ethics, particularly related to oversight of comparative effectiveness and implementation science, as well as professionalism and responsible conduct of research. She has served on committees of the National Academies of Science, on the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services’ Advisory Committee on Organ Transplantation, and has consulted to numerous foundations and government agencies. Before assuming the leadership of The Hastings Center, Dr. Solomon was Senior Director of Implementation Science at the Association of American Medical Colleges. There, she was responsible for helping the nation’s academic medical centers develop their capacities in comparative effectiveness research and implementation science. Solomon earned her doctorate in educational research methods and adult learning at Harvard University and her B.A. from Smith College.
Center leadership

Robert D. Truog, M.D., M.A.
Director

Christine Mitchell, R.N., M.S., M.T.S.
Executive Director

Edward M. Hundert, M.D.
Associate Director

Rebecca Weintraub Brendel, M.D., J.D.
Director of Master’s Program in Bioethics

Activities at the HMS Center for Bioethics

EDUCATION

- Master of Bioethics
- Postdoctoral Research Scholars Program in Bioethics
- Ethics & Professionalism (MA750)
- Responsible Conduct of Research
- Harvard Clinical Bioethics Course

PROGRAMS

- Community Ethics Committee
- George W. Gay Lecture
- Lawrence Lader Lecture
- Henry Hardy Lecture
- Contemporary Authors Series
- Neuroethics Seminar Series
Activities at the HMS Center for Bioethics

MONTHLY CONSORTIA

❖ Clinical Ethics Consortium
❖ Organizational Ethics Consortium
❖ Policy and Ethics Consortium
❖ Research Ethics Consortium

❖ Community Ethics Committee
❖ Hospital Advisory Council
❖ HMS Affiliated Ethics Leadership Group
❖ Task Force on Ethical Aspects of Emergency Preparedness (with MA-DPH)
❖ Task Force on Ethics and Professionalism

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**Carol Powers J.D.** is Co-Founder and Chair of the Community Ethics Committee, operating under the auspices of the Harvard Ethics Leadership Group. The Community Ethics Committee (CEC) was the outcome of Carol’s Fellowship at the Division of Medical Ethics in the 2006-2007. The CEC is a group of dedicated volunteers ranging in age from their teens to seventies, diverse as to religious, cultural, educational, and socio-economic backgrounds. The Committee, through one of its members, Paul C. McLean, has developed a social media presence (medicaethicsandme.org) and its many publications are available there.

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