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GOAL
End-of-Life Ethics examines, using a case study approach, the ethical issues and dilemmas that emerge at the end-of-life. Ethical decisions at the end-of-life provide a point where all the factors that influence end-of-life care such as finances, laws, values, culture, and technology converge. The decisions that are made at the end-of-life affect not only the way that the person dies, but also the ways that survivors face the loss. These decisions may influence staff – affecting morale and turnover consequently directly influencing patient care as well as families struggling with grief. This program explores ethical dilemmas that are likely to arise at the end-of-life, the principles of ethical decision-making and the effects of these decisions on staff and families.

TARGET AUDIENCE
Nurses, physicians, certified nursing assistants, counselors, psychologists, case managers, funeral directors, marriage and family therapists, clergy, employee assistance professionals and social workers.

OBJECTIVES
At the conclusion of this conference, participants will be able to:
1. Describe the process of ethical decision-making;
2. Discuss four principles of bio-medical ethics;
3. Describe end-of-life ethical dilemmas such as disclosure and communication, surrogate decision-making; artificial nutrition and hydration, palliative sedation, and assisted suicide;
4. Describe complicating factors when patients are children and adolescents;
5. Discuss the ways that cultural values and beliefs may influence ethical decisions at the end-of-life;
6. Describe the ways that ethical issues at the end-of-life can create moral distress and influence the grief reactions of families and hospice and palliative staff and volunteers.

AGENDA

CONFERENCE
12 p.m. ........................................................................................................................................................................ Registration
12:30 – 3:20 p.m. ........................................................................................................................................................................ Program
3:20 – 3:50 p.m. ........................................................................................................................................................................ Discussion (Local Panel)
Feel free to bring your lunch

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