Current Articles—September 2016

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Note from the Web Editor: This is simply a listing of articles and books that caught my attention and might be of interest to pediatricians who have an interest in Bioethics. I’ve tried to include a short statement about the article if it didn’t seem clear as to content. The arrangement is by general topics. Within the topics, the arrangement is by author then title. I'm open to suggestions on articles or books to include. To keep it from getting too long, occasionally I'll take some of them off. Some of the articles may provide CME credit but there is also a separate listing for CME courses available.

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Oncology
Pain
Palliative Care/ Hospice/
Compassionate Care
Patient Ethics/ Responsibility
Patient / Family Satisfaction
Personalized Medicine
Personhood/ Humanity/ Human Body
**Articles**

"A Piece of My Mind" & Other Story Type Articles
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Ethics Rounds

Abuse & Neglect

Access to Care

Adolescents


**Advance Directives & Advance Care Planning**

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**Adverse Events**

**Altruism/Volunteerism/NGO/Service**

**Anesthesia/Sedation**

**Animals**


**Best Interests**


Call

Cardiology


Circumcision


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Earp BD. In defence of genital autonomy for children. Journal of Medical Ethics. 2016; 42: 158-163. Published online 1/20/16 http://jme.bmj.com/content/42/3/158.full


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Cloning

Codes & Declarations
Ranola RA, et al. How long is long enough, and have we done everything we should—Ethics of calling codes. J Med Ethics 2015;41:663-666


Communication/Relationships/Trust

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Community

Competence

Complementary & Alternative Medicine
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Compliance

Confidentiality/HIPAA Privacy/Medical Records

Conflict of Interests


Conscience & Conscientious Objection
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Sheppard MK. Vulnerability, therapeutic misconception and informed consent: is there a need for special treatment of pregnant women in fetus-regarding clinical trials? J Med Ethics 2016;42:127-131
Consent (including parental consent)

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Chan TK. HIV status: the prima facie right not to know the result. J Med Ethics 2016;42:100-103.

Foster C. The ethics of non-consensual HIV testing are not substantively different from the ethics of overriding the right not to know a test result. J Med Ethics 2016;42:106-107


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**Decision Making/Uncertainty/Nudges**

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Dermatology

Development/ ADHD/ Autism


Diagnostics/diagnosis

Disability/Birth Defects/Eugenics


**Drugs/Pharmacology/Pharmacists**


Duty/Virtues/”First Do No Harm”/Truth-telling


Isaacs D. Are healthcare professionals working in Australia’s immigration detention centres condoning torture? J Med Ethics. 2015; published online December 23, 2015


Economics/ financing /insurance /taxes


Education/Mentors/Testing


Emergency Care/ Emergency Rooms/ Disasters/ Intensive Care


End-of-Life Care/ Dying/ Futility/ Palliative Sedation


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Glick S. Withdrawing or Withholding Life-Sustaining Therapy. Bioethics 2015; 29(9): 680.


MacKintosh D. Demise of the LCP: villain or scapegoat? J Med Ethics 2015;41:650-651


Merkel R. Killing or letting die? Proposal of a (somewhat) new answer to a perennial question. Journal of Medical Ethics. 2016; 42(6): http://jme.bmj.com/content/42/6/353?etoc


Rady MY, Verheijde JL. Liverpool Care Pathway: life-ending pathway or palliative care pathway? J Med Ethics 2015;41:644
Ranola RA, et al. *How long is long enough, and have we done everything we should?—Ethics of calling codes.* J Med Ethics 2015;41:663-666


**Endocrine**

**Enhancement/ Modifications/ Regeneration/ Technology**

Carter S. *Putting a price on empathy: against incentivising moral enhancement.* J Med Ethics 2015;41:825-829


Drake N. *Is moral bioenhancement dangerous?* J Med Ethics 2016;42:3-6


**Epigenetics**


**Ethics - Clinical, Committees & Consultations**


**Ethics - General Philosophy, Ethical Codes, etc.**


**Ethics – History**

**Euthanasia/Suicide/ Physician-Assisted Suicide/ Infanticide/ Minimally Conscious/ Persistent Vegetative State**

Cholbi M. Kant on euthanasia and the duty to die: clearing the air. J Med Ethics 2015;41:607-610


Foster C. Suicide tourism may change attitudes to assisted suicide, but not through the courts. J Med Ethics 2015;41:620

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Luley S. ‘Suicide tourism’: creating misleading ‘scientific’ news. J Med Ethics 2015;41:618-619
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Vink T. Self-Euthanasia, the Dutch Experience: In Search for the Meaning of a Good Death or Eu Thanatos. Bioethics. 2016; published online 9/9/16  


Evaluations

Evidence Based Medicine
Family/ Clans/ Tribes


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Futility
http://jme.bmj.com/content/early/2016/05/17/medethics-2016-103370?papetoc

Gastroenterology

Gene Therapy /Gene Editing/Germline

Cohen IG, Adashi EY. The FDA is prohibited from going germline. Science. Published online 8/5/16. http://science.sciencemag.org/content/353/6299/545.full

Genetics/ Testing/ Genetic Databases/ Biobanks


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Hampton T. Ethical and Societal Questions Loom Large as Gene Editing Moves Closer to the Clinic. JAMA. Published online January 25, 2016


Machado H, Silva S. *Public participation in genetic databases: crossing the boundaries between biobanks and forensic DNA databases through the principle of solidarity*. J Med Ethics 2015;41:820-824


Parens E, Appelbaum PS. *An Introduction to Thinking about Trustworthy Research into the Genetics of Intelligence*. Hastings Center Report. 2015; 45(S1): S2-S8.


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Genomic Medicine

Gifts/Sponsorships


Global Health Bioethics

Gynecology
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Health Care Disparities/Access to Health Care

Health Policy & Healthcare Systems


Hematology & Blood Donations

Hospitalization/Hospital Care

Human Rights/ Humanity / Human Dignity

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Identity/Consciousness


Industry
**Infectious Disease/ Vaccinations/ Epidemics**


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Insurance Coverage

Internet/Technology

LGBT/ Intersex/Transgender/Gender Disorder .

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Lab Tests

Legal
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Licensing and Certification

Media/ Informatics/ EMR's/ Internet


Medical Devices

Medical Error
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Medical Tourism/Travel
Memory

Mental Health

Military subjects

Miscellaneous

Misconduct Concerns

Moral distress/conflict / outrage


Neonatology and Fetal Issues


Murray PD, Esserman D, Mercurio MR. In what circumstances will a neonatologist decide a patient is not a resuscitation candidate? J Med Ethics 2016; 42:429-434. Published online 3/17/16 http://jme.bmj.com/content/42/7/429?etoc


Nephrology

Neurology

Moen OM. The case for cryonics. J Med Ethics 2015;41:677-681

Newborn Screening/ Prenatal Screening


Nutrition/ Eating Disorders

Kenny B. Food Culture, Preferences and Ethics in Dysphagia Management. Bioethics 2015; 29(9): 646-652,


Oncology


Pain

Palliative Care/Hospice/Compassionate Care


Patient Ethics/Responsibility

Patient/Family Satisfaction

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Personhood/Humanity/Human Body

Placebos/Nocebo


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**Politics**


**Practice Guidelines**

**Practice of Medicine/ Physician Health/ Moral Distress**

Kupfer JM. The Graying of US Physicians Implications for Quality and the Future Supply of Physicians. JAMA. 2015; published online 12/28/15


**Prevention/ Safety**


Jacobs BM. Is there a moral obligation to select healthy children? J Med Ethics 2015;41:696-700


Tregouet P. Helmets or not? Use science correctly. J Med Ethics 2015;41:718-719

**Principles - Autonomy, Beneficence, Nonmaleficence, Justice**


**Professionalism**

Alamri YAS. Is it acceptable for medical professionals to kiss paediatric patients? J Med Ethics 2016; published online 7/11/16 http://jme.bmj.com/content/early/2016/07/11/medethics-2016-103442?papetoc

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Broome MR, de Cates A. Choosing death in depression: a commentary on 'Treatment-resistant major depressive disorder and assisted dying'. J Med Ethics 2015;41:586-587

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Public Health/ Bioterrorism & Biopiracy/ Violence/ Disasters


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Publications/ Authorship/ Retractions


Pulmonary

Quality of Care/ Peer Review/ Comparative Effectiveness

Quality of Life

Radiology/Imaging

Rationing/ Denial of Coverage/ QULY's/ Allocation

Religion/ Spiritual Issues


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Symons X. On the univocity of rationality: a response to Nigel Biggar’s 'Why religion deserves a place in secular medicine' J Med Ethics 2015;41:870-872

Reproduction/ Contraception/ Assisted Reproduction/ Abortion


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Research

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**Risk/Benefit**

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**Risk Management**

**Screening Recommendations**
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**Social/Cultural Issues**
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**Sports/Orthopedics**


**Standard of Care**

**Stem Cells/ Embryo Research/ Cord Blood / Chimeras / Clones**


Surgery

Surrogate Decision Making
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Technology/Social Media /EMR’s

Telemedicine

Terrorism/ Bioterrorism/ Violence

Testing

Therapeutic misconception

Toxicology

Transplants/ Transfusions/ Tissue Donations


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#### Triage
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Vulnerability/Vulnerable Individuals or Groups