

## **Medical Ethics Short Course - 24-27 February 2009**

*MWR Conference Room, 2nd Floor, Delano Hall (Bld 11), Walter Reed Army Medical Center*

### **COURSE SCHEDULE:**

24 February (Tuesday)	0720 – 0730	Commander's Greeting & Course Introduction
	0730 – 0830	Determining Decision-Making Capacity ( <i>COL E. Cameron Ritchie, M.D.</i> )
	0830 – 0930	Confidentiality, Privilege & Truth-Telling ( <i>COL E. Cameron Ritchie, M.D.</i> )
	0930 – 0945	<i>BREAK</i>
	0945 – 1045	Battlefield & Detainees Healthcare Ethics ( <i>COL E. Cameron Ritchie, M.D.</i> )
	1045 – 1130	Ethical Issues in Humanitarian Missions ( <i>COL E. Cameron Ritchie, M.D.</i> )
	1130 – 1230	<i>LUNCH BREAK</i>
	1230 – 1330	History of Bioethics ( <i>Chaplain (Major) David Deppmeier, M.A., M.Div.</i> )
	1330 – 1430	Principles of Bioethics ( <i>Chaplain (Major) David Deppmeier, M.A., M.Div.</i> )
	1430 – 1445	<i>BREAK</i>
	1445 – 1615	Ethical Guidelines in Caring for the Dying ( <i>Randy Howe, M.D., J.D.</i> )
25 February (Wednesday)	0730 – 0830	Ethical Guidelines for End-of-Life ( <i>Chaplain (Major) David J. Deppmeier</i> )
	0830 – 0930	Legal Guidelines for End-of-Life Issues ( <i>MAJ Catherine With, J.D., L.L.M.</i> )
	0930 – 0945	<i>BREAK</i>
	0945 – 1045	Advance Medical Directives ( <i>MAJ Catherine With, J.D., L.L.M.</i> )
	1045 – 1200	Ethical Issues Surrounding PTSD ( <i>MAJ Christopher Lange, M.D.</i> )
	1200 – 1300	<i>LUNCH BREAK</i>
	1300 – 1430	Ethical Considerations in Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) ( <i>Kathy Helmick, CRNP</i> )
	1430 – 1445	<i>BREAK</i>
1445 – 1615	Palliative Care & Advanced Dementia ( <i>Carlos Gomez, Ph.D., M.D.</i> )	
26 February (Thursday)	0730 – 0845	Physician Assisted Suicide ( <i>COL Peter Weina, Ph.D., M.D.</i> )
	0845 – 0945	Ethical Concerns in Nursing ( <i>MAJ Stacy Weina, FNP-BC</i> )
	0945 – 1000	<i>BREAK</i>
	1000 – 1130	Ethics Consultation ( <i>Chaplain (Major) David Deppmeier, M.A., M.Div.</i> )
	1130 – 1300	<i>LUNCH BREAK</i>
	1300 – 1430	Bioethics & the Armed Forces ( <i>Dr. James Childress</i> )
	1430 – 1445	<i>BREAK</i>
1445 – 1615	Bioethics & Armed Conflict ( <i>Dr. Michael L. Gross, PhD</i> )	
27 February (Friday)	0730 – 0930	Dual Loyalty ( <i>Dr. James Childress &amp; Dr. Michael Gross</i> )
	0930 – 0945	<i>BREAK</i>
	0945 – 1130	Treatment of Detainees ( <i>Dr. James Childress &amp; Dr. Michael Gross</i> )
	1130 – 1230	<i>LUNCH BREAK</i>
	1230 – 1400	Physicians & Non-Lethal Weapons ( <i>Dr. James Childress &amp; Dr. Michael Gross</i> )
	1400 – 1415	<i>BREAK</i>
	1415 – 1545	Triage in Mass Casualty Scenarios ( <i>Dr. James Childress &amp; Dr. Michael Gross</i> )
1545 – 1600	Course Evaluation	

### **FACULTY**

Chaplain (Major) David Deppmeier, M.Div, M.A., Clinical Ethicist, WRAMC/NARMC  
James F. Childress, Ph.D., Hollingsworth Professor, Department of Religious Studies, University of Virginia  
Carlos Gomez, Ph.D., M.D., Rockefeller-Samueli Senior Fellow in Palliative Medicine, Georgetown University,  
Medical Director, DC Pediatric Palliative Care Collaborative  
Michael L. Gross, Ph.D., M.A., School of Political Sciences, University of Haifa, Mt. Carmel, Israel  
Kathy Helmick, M.S. CRNP, Dep. Dir., Clinical & Ed. Affairs, Defense Veterans Brain Injury Center (DVBIC)  
Randy Howe, M.D., J.D., Professor of Psychiatry, Director of Programs in Medical Ethics, USUHS  
Major (P) Christopher L. Lange, M.D., Chief, WRAMC Forensic Psychiatry Service  
Colonel E. Cameron Ritchie, M.D., Psychiatry Consultant to the United States Army Surgeon General  
Colonel Peter Weina, Ph.D., M.D., Chief of Pharmacology, WRAIR, & Infectious Disease Staff, WRAMC  
Major Stacy Usher Weina, FNP-BC, Assistant Medical Director at the Family Health Center of Fairfax  
Major Catherine With, J.D., L.L.M., Legal Counsel, The Armed Forces Institute of Pathology (AFIP)

**SHORTCOURSE NEED/OBJECTIVES:** This course seeks to increase expertise in resolving ethical issues in the clinical setting. The course seeks to accomplish three objectives: (1) Assist caregivers in identifying, analyzing

and resolving ethical dilemmas -- in the hospital and on the battlefield -- applying current training in bioethics and related law; (2) Identify roles, functions and key issues in ethics consultation; and (3) Evaluate hospital ethics programs using current medical ethics guidelines.

**WHO MAY ATTEND?** All military and DoD civilian medical professionals (physicians, nurses, chaplains, social workers, administrators, dieticians, medics, etc.) and students. Contractors with supervisor approval.

**COST?** The Medical Ethics Short Course is offered free of charge.

**CME, CEU, CE CONTACT HOUR ACCREDITATION:** The Medical Ethics Short Course features 28 total training hours of classroom instruction. One hour of classroom instruction equals:

- 1 CME for physicians
- 1 CEU for social workers
- 1 CE for psychologists (*note: the total number of authorized CEs for psychologists will vary*)
- 1 Contact Hour for nurses
- **Those who attend the entire 3-day course will receive 20 CMEs, CEs, CEUs, or Contact Hours.**

**CME ACCREDITATION/DESIGNATION:** The U.S. Army Medical Command (MEDCOM) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (CME) to sponsor Continuing Medical Education for physicians. MEDCOM designates this CME activity for up to 28 hours in Category 1 credit towards the American Medical Association Physician's Recognition Award. *Each physician should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the educational activity.*

**NURSING CONTACT HOURS:** The Medical Ethics Short Course is approved for 28 Contact Hours by the US Army Nurse Corps which is accredited by the American Nurses Credentialing Center Commission on Accreditation. The Director of Continuing Education for the Department of Nursing Education, Walter Reed Army Medical Center (WRAMC) is Kathy Shields, (202) 782-4388, fax (202) 782-0519, or kathy.shields@amedd.army.mil.

**CE UNITS (PSYCHOLOGISTS):** The Department of Psychology, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor Continuing Education for Psychologists. The Department of Psychology maintains responsibility for the program and its content. The Program Director and CE Coordinator is Major John Yeaw, Department of Psychology, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, (202) 782-0065/5911, or john.yeaw@amedd.army.mil.

**SOCIAL WORKERS:** The Department of Social Work maintains responsibility for this activity and has been granted automatic authorization by the Maryland State Board of Social Work Examiners to sponsor this program and award up to 28 hours of category I continuing education credit. Social Workers must then present Dr. Dean M. Rueckert with a copy of the CME certificate, who will then generate a CEU certificate for the attendee. Dr. Rueckert is the Director, Education & Training, Department of Social Work, Walter Reed Army Medical Center. Contact him at (202) 356-1012, Ext. 2-5871, or e-mail at dean.rueckert@na.amedd.army.mil.

**RECEIVING CME, CE, CEU & CONTACT HOUR CREDIT.** All attendees -- physicians and non-physicians -- of the Medical Ethics Short Course must register for the Medical Ethics Short Course at the CME website, found online at <https://apps.mods.army.mil/CMEWeb/Secured/>. This is in addition to the registration form submitted to Chaplain (Major) Deppmeier. Upon completion of the training, all attendees must complete several tasks on-line at the CME homepage in order to receive credit for the Course. Each attendee must first complete an evaluation form. Upon completion of this form, the website will allow you to submit a Request for Credit Form and print out your certificate. This is an attendee's official record of attendance and record of CME credit.

**REGISTRATION:** To register, contact Chaplain (Major) David Deppmeier at david.deppmeier@amedd.army.mil, (202) 356-0012. For information, go to: <http://www.wramc.amedd.army.mil/Support/chaplain/Pages/mesc.aspx>.

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