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Please note that due to the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) situation, these events are tentative.

BIOETHICS THIS MONTH


Apr. 10 Thurs. **Annual Jus Lecture: Postponed -- Contact margot.smith@utoronto.ca** for details.

Apr. 17 Thurs. **Everyday Ethics: Michelle Muldoofsky**, Manager, Research Contracts at the Hospital for Sick Children. "Difficulties in Protecting Academic Integrity," **12:00 noon - 1:00 pm**, Room 1527, Roy C. Hill Wing, The Hospital for Sick Children, 555 University Avenue.
Bioethics Seminar: Jodi Halpern, Assistant Professor of Bioethics, Joint Medical Program, Division of Health and Medical Sciences, School of Public Health, University of California at Berkeley. "Illness, Suffering, and Respecting Patients with Impaired Autonomy," 4:00 – 5:00 pm, Philippa Harris Library, Great Hall, Joint Centre for Bioethics, 88 College Street.

CAMH Brown Bag Ethics Discussion: Ronald Heslegrave, Department of Psychiatry, University of Toronto; Chair, University Health Network Research Ethics Boards; and Padraig Darby, Department of Psychiatry, University of Toronto; Co-Chair, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health Research Ethics Board. "Harmonization of Review of Studies Involving Human Subjects," 12:00 noon - 1:00 pm, Room T321, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (Addiction Research Foundation Site), 33 Russell Street.


Bioethics Seminar: Speaker and Title to be announced. 4:00 – 5:00 pm, Philippa Harris Library, Great Hall, Joint Centre for Bioethics, 88 College Street.

Annual Harris Lecture: Ezekiel Emanuel, Chief, Department of Clinical Bioethics, National Institutes of Health. "The Ethics of Phase I Oncology Research," 4:00 – 5:00 pm, Philippa Harris Library, Great Hall, Joint Centre for Bioethics, 88 College Street.

8th ANNUAL JUS LECTURE

Please note that the 8th Annual Jus Lecture, in honour of Dr. Andrzej Jus has been postponed. For more information, please contact Margot Smith (email: margot.smith@utoronto.ca; tel: 416-978-0871).

23rd ANNUAL HARRIS LECTURE

The 23rd Annual Harris Lecture on Bioethical Issues in Cancer will be held on April 30, 2003 from 4:00 - 5:00 pm, in the Philippa Harris Library, Great Hall, University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics, 88 College Street. Dr. Zeke Emanuel, Chair, Department of Clinical Bioethics and Research, Warren Magnuson Clinical Center, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland, will present on "The Ethics of Phase I Oncology Research." For more information, please contact Margot Smith (email: margot.smith@utoronto.ca; tel: 416-978-0871).

CAMH RESEARCH ETHICS WORKSHOP
The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health presents a Workshop on Research Ethics Workshop. **Dr. Solomon Benatar** (Department of Public Health Sciences and the Joint Centre for Bioethics, University of Toronto and the University of Cape Town) will present on “Thinking Globally, Acting Locally: Ethical Issues in International and Cross-Cultural Research.” This workshop will take place on **May 2, 2003** from **9:00 am – 4:00 pm** at Room G58, Clarke Site, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, 250 College Street. Please note that the Workshop is free of charge but registration is limited. For more information or to register, please contact John Graber (Phone: 416-535-8501 ext. 6532 or Email: john_graber@camh.net)

**OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE CANADIAN PRIORITY SETTING RESEARCH NETWORK**

The University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics presents the Official Launch of the Canadian Priority Setting Research Network with a Symposium on Priority Setting: Current Perspectives and Challenges. This Symposium will be moderated by **Doug Martin** (JCB) and special guest speakers will include: **Andrew Dillon**, National Institute for Clinical Excellence (UK); **Norman Daniels**, Harvard University (USA); **Julia Abelson**, McMaster University (Can); **Chris Ham**, Department of Health, National Health Service (UK); and **Ole Frithjof Norheim**, University of Bergen (Nor). The Symposium will take place on **May 9, 2003** from **3:00 - 5:00 pm** (reception to follow) at the Philippa Harris Library, Great Hall, Joint Centre for Bioethics, 88 College Street. For more information, please contact Chris Joseph (email: chris.joseph@utoronto.ca; tel: 416-978-1898).

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**HONOURS AND AWARDS**

**Doug Martin** (Joint Centre for Bioethics) has been awarded $100,000 from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research Global Health Research Initiative for his project entitled, "A Global Priority Setting Research Network." Co-investigators for this one-year grant include: Jens Mielke, Asad Raja, and Peter A. Singer.
E-COMMUNITY INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION

The first electronic International Journal of Mental Health and Addiction -- eCOMMUNITY -- is now accepting papers for Volume 1, Issue 1. The eCOMMUNITY offers an internet-based forum for up-to-date information and developments in mental health and addiction related research, policy, phenomenology, literary, and treatment. Through publishing high quality peer-reviewed articles, it is our aim to seek and lead an international debate on mental health and addiction and help make sense of how mental health and addiction affects individuals and communities. The deadline for submissions is May 30, 2003. For more information, please visit: http://www.pasinfo.net or email: zangeneh@pasinfo.net.

RCpsc K. J. R. WIGHTMAN AWARD FOR RESEARCH IN ETHICS COMPETITION

The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (RCpsc) awards a prize for the best research paper presented by a resident registered in a postgraduate program accredited by the Royal College. The award is $1,000 as well as a certificate. Residents who are interested in the field of ethics and who have had an opportunity to develop a research project in this field or who may wish to prepare a well researched opinion on an ethical issue are encouraged to submit a paper for this award. The winner ordinarily will present the work at the Royal College Annual Conference which will be held in Halifax in September 2003 or at an alternate appropriate venue. The deadline for submissions is May 30, 2003. If anyone is interested in applying for this award, please contact Rhonda Martin (email: rhonda.martin@utoronto.ca; fax: 416-978-1911; tel: 416-978-1906) for details.

EVENTS AND CONFERENCES


Polish Academy of Science and Council of Europe Conference: Poland, 12-13 April 2002. For more information, please contact Adam Gorski at: agorski@konto.pl or visit: http://surfer.iitd.pan.wroc.pl/events/Placebo.html.

Beijing International Conference on Bioethics: Beijing, China, 20-22 April 2003. For more information or to register, please contact Dr. Zhai Xiaomei at: xmzhai@hotmail.com or visit: http://academy.533.net.


Issues in Women's Health: Biology and Beyond: Toronto, Ontario, 15 May 2003. For more information or to register, please email: crwh.education@sw.ca. Deadline: March 21, 2003.


9th Annual Midwest Qualitative Research Conference: Minneapolis, Minnesota, 18-20 June 2003. For more information, please visit: http://www.stthomas.edu/education/events/qr.html.


NEH Summer Seminar: Ethics at the End of Life: Salt Lake City, Utah, 30 June – 1 August, 2003. For more information, please contact Leslie Francis (Phone: 801-581-4289, Email: francisl@law.utah.edu) or visit: http://www.philosophy.utah.edu/NEHsumsem/ethicsendoflife.

XVIIIth European Conference: Genetics and Health: Reykjavik, Iceland, 25-28 August 2004. For more information, please contact the Conference Secretariat at: d.verhaar@cfg.umen.nl.

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