INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS:

32nd European Conference on Philosophy and Medicine in Health Care: «The Human Condition in between Medicine, Arts and the Humanities», 22–25 August, Lisbon, Portugal

More information: http://espmh.org

19th Nursing Ethics Conference and the 4th International Ethics in Care Conference: «Gender, Justice, and Care», 1–2 September 2018, Cork, Ireland

More information: http://lme2018.ucc.ie

Annual Conference of the European Association of Centres of Medical Ethics (EACME): «Ethics in Action», 6–8 September 2018, Amsterdam, The Netherlands


More information: www.aem-online.de

6th International Conference on Ethics Education: «A Long Walk to Ethics Education», 3–5 October 2018, Stellenbosch, South Africa

More information: www.ethicsassociation.org

Swiss Society for Biomedical Ethics Autumn Seminar, 13–15 October 2018, Bigorio, Ticino

More information: www.bioethics.ch/sgbe/Manifestations/Seminaire.html

Zurich Harvard Intensive Bioethics Course (ZHIBC)

in collaboration with the Harvard Medical School, the University Hospital of Zurich and the University of Zurich, 9–11 November 2018, Zurich, University Hospital of Zurich

The ZHIIBC offers clinicians of all healthcare professions a unique opportunity to develop and enhance their ethical competencies for clinical practice.

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Institute for Biomedical Ethics, Basel Seminar Series of Contemporary Debates in «Bioethics» and public talks


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More information: https://www.insel.ch/de/das-inselspital/ethik

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Programme et informations: http://ib.unige.ch

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Medical Ethics and Time

Time plays a crucial role in medical care in various ways. For example, finding the right moment for medical decisions and discussions may prove challenging: At what moment should life-saving treatments be withdrawn if there is no hope left? What is the right moment to undertake certain medical tests in a patients’ life? At what moment should problematic results, such as incidental medical findings, be communicated to patients? And what is the right moment to talk about advance care planning or the possibility of post-mortem organ donation? Is there in medical practice and decision-making something such as the Greek concept of “kairos”, that is, a proper and opportune time, or does every situation have to be judged individually with the aim of determining the best possible moment?

Questions surrounding time and the lack thereof can be found in disciplines including, but not limited to, gerontology and neonatology, in clinical settings such as emergency rooms, where life-saving decisions have to be taken in very short time, and in the domains of anti-aging medicine and fertility treatment. Is it, for example, possible and ethically justifiable to draw a clear-cut line in time for an upper (or lower) age limit for fertility treatments? And should we further develop the domain of anti-aging medicine, or should we simply accept that some conditions are just normal companions of aging and life?

Time also plays an important role in the everyday life of physicians: their financial remuneration is often based on how much time they spend on a patient. Furthermore, many healthcare professionals nowadays experience shortage of time caused by an increasing workload due to the “economization” of health care, which may be harmful for patients and stressful for the treating healthcare professionals.

A further topic concerns the phenomenology of time in medicine: Do medical patients (for example persons with a severe or life-threatening disease or on medical waiting lists) experience time differently than healthy individuals? If yes, does it depend on the individual or on the medical situation as such?

While time is a thoroughly studied research topic in physics and metaphysics, it has received less attention in ethics and medical ethics, despite the crucial role it plays in various ways in these domains. Bioethica Forum will therefore publish a special issue on medical ethics and time in winter 2018 and invites all interested clinicians and scholars of various disciplines to submit contributions in English, French or German.

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