Upcoming Events

DECEMBER 14: EXPLORING ETHICS CONFERENCE SERIES "Ethics and Vascularized Composite Allotransplantation: Hands, Faces, and Beyond"
Ana S. Iltis, PhD, Director, Center for Bioethics, Health and Society and Professor of Philosophy, Wake Forest University
12:00-1:15 PM

Approximately 200 vascularized composite allotransplants (VCA) have been reported in the medical literature, many of them involving unilateral or bilateral upper extremity or face transplants. This presentation summarizes the history of vascularized composite allotransplantation and the current mechanisms for overseeing VCA donation and allocation. The focus then shifts to a range of ethical issues VCAs raise, including soliciting organs from deceased and living donors, informed consent, measuring need, defining success, comparing risks and potential benefits, assessing VCA candidates for transplant eligibility, and dealing with failure. Ethical issues at the policy level including allocating VCAs among candidates and assessing the cost effectiveness of VCA, VCAs from living donors raise special concerns which will be examined.

Conference Room 10C, 10th Floor Conference Room, Comprehensive Cancer Center at WFBMC.
To register, please click here (Registration can also be completed on site). Online registration may not be available until closer to event.

JANUARY 23: EXPLORING ETHICS CONFERENCE SERIES "Whatever Happened To Baby Doe?: The Transformation From Undertreatment To Overtreatment"
Norman Fost, MD, MPH; Professor of Pediatrics and Medical History & Bioethics, University of Wisconsin—Madison School of Medicine
12:00-1:15 PM

Conference Room 10C & 10B, 10th Floor Conference Room, Comprehensive Cancer Center at WFBMC.
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FEBRUARY 2 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY
The Wake Forest Journal of Intellectual Property and Business is going to hold an interdisciplinary symposium focusing on Legal and Ethical Issues surrounding Intellectual Property and Medical Technology.
Co-Sponsored by the Center for Bioethics, Health & Society
Time TBD
Innovation Quarter (Wake DownTown)
455 Vine Street, Winston-Salem, 27101

FEBRUARY 23: ISOLATED BY LAW (WORKING TITLE)
The Wake Forest Journal of Law and Policy is hosting a symposium on Legal and Ethical issues surrounding Quarantine. This symposium is also co-sponsored by the Wake Forest Center for Bioethics, Health & Society.
Time TBD
Wake Forest School of Law, Reynolda Campus
Center News

Kate Mewhinney, JD, Wake Forest Law School Elder Clinic has been invited to the Summit on Advancing Legal and Medical Collaboration in Advance Care Planning, scheduled for Friday, 23 March in Washington, D.C, at the at the Kaiser Family Foundation’s Barbara Jordon Conference Center.

This is a one-day working summit of legal and clinical experts in advance care planning to identify innovative best practices to promote greater collaboration and synergy between law and medicine. The goal is to better assist the participants’ clients, patients and their families in meaningful and effective advance care planning.

The effort is a collaboration of the American Bar Association Commission on Law and Aging and the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine, with partners from the University of California at San Francisco Medical Center and the UCSF/UC Hastings Consortium on Law, Science & Health Policy. The project is supported by The John A. Hartford Foundation and the Borchard Foundation Center on Law and Aging, and with meeting support from the Kaiser Family Foundation.

Highlights from ASBH 2017

Wake Forest University Bioethics at ASBH 2017

Wake Forest University was well represented at the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities (ASBH) annual conference on October 19 - 22, 2017 in Kansas City, Missouri. One of the highlights was the ‘WFU Bioethics at ASBH’ gathering held on Saturday evening as students, alumni and faculty connected and networked with each other. The Center for Bioethics, Health & Society provided travel awards to six graduate students.

Among the presentations at the meeting:

Alumni
Deborah Love, JD, MBA, MA and Rolland Barrett, MD: “Centering Serious Illness Conversations Around the Patient’s Life Story: Overview and Demonstration of a Workshop Using Narrative Methods to Enhance Clinician Communication Skills and Well-Being”

Faculty
John Moskop, PhD: “Can the Devout and the Doubting Meet in the Center? The Collision of Religious and Nonreligious Viewpoints in Clinical Ethics Consultation”
Graduate Program in Bioethics

The Bioethics Graduate Program at Wake Forest University is accepting applications for Fall 2018 admission.

The Program provides an educational opportunity in bioethics for current and future professionals, including health care providers, researchers in biomedicine and the life sciences, lawyers, and professionals in health and research administration and the biotechnology industry. The program is attractive to working professionals as well as students in pre-health, pre-law, and humanities programs who will continue onto professional schools and/or doctoral programs. The students in the Bioethics program bring a diversity of academic, employment, and life experiences to the classroom. The program faculty is nationally recognized in the field of bioethics.

The small class sizes and versatile curricular options enable students to tailor the program to their individual interests. The program emphasizes face-to-face interaction, promotes scholarly and interpersonal communicative capabilities, and fosters close relationships among students, faculty and alumni.

The Graduate Program offers a Master of Arts degree and three Graduate Certificate options, as well as several joint degree options. The program is flexible for both full and part-time study. For more information, including program philosophy, course and faculty listings, and application procedures, please contact Vicky Zickmund, (336-716-1499) as well as visit the website: http://bioethics.wfu.edu/academic/graduate-programs

Opportunities

Funding: The Center for Bioethics, Health & Society is now accepting applications for grants up to $8,000 for research, course development and other scholarly projects pertaining to Bioethics. The proposal deadline is January 8, 2018.

The Center for Bioethics, Health & Society also accepts, on a rolling basis, applications for small grants to support Bioethics activities.

For information and the application form for this funding opportunity, please see the CBHS Funding Application on the Center’s website.

Donation Button: There is now a new donation button online. Here is a link, bottom right hand side, "Support Our Programs". This is an opportunity to give to the Center for Bioethics, Health and Society, or directly to the Graduate Programs of Bioethics. Thank you for considering Wake Forest Bioethics in your annual giving campaign!

Travel Information

Parking: Reynolda -For those coming from Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center campus and the general public the Orange parking zones are available to you. Z. Smith Reynolds Library is Building 7 on the map - Reynolda Parking.

525@Vine – Please contact Vicky Zickmund (zickmuvl@wfu.edu)

Medical Center - Medical Center Parking for Exploring Ethics Series.

Shuttle service: Link for service to/from Medical Center to WFIQ/Wake Downtown and Link for service to/from WFU from WFIQ/Wake Downtown. Down load shuttle App.