Maryland Healthcare Ethics Committee Network

The Maryland Healthcare Ethics Committee Network is a membership organization established by the Law and Health Care Program at the University of Maryland School of Law. Its purpose is to facilitate and enhance ethical reflection in all aspects of decision making in health care settings by supporting and providing informational and educational resources to ethics committees serving health care institutions in the state of Maryland. The Network will achieve this goal by:

• serving as a resource to ethics committees as they investigate ethical dilemmas within their institution and as they strive to assist their institution function consistently with its mission statement;

• fostering communication and information sharing among Network members;

• providing educational programs for ethics committee members, other healthcare providers, and members of the general public on ethical issues in health care; and

• conducting research to improve the functioning of ethics committees and ultimately the care of patients in Maryland.

Registrations are due by November 5th.

Register ON-LINE (credit card or check) at www.law.umaryland.edu/conferences.asp OR return this form with a check to: Lu Ann Marshall, University of Maryland School of Law, 500 West Baltimore Street, Baltimore, MD 21201

Please make checks payable to:

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DNR Orders—Problems and Solutions

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health care ethics committee members and clinical providers who contribute to end-of-life decision making will want to attend this informative and interactive one-day conference on problems related to “Do Not Resuscitate” (DNR) orders. Proposed solutions to these problems will be explored and discussed.

PROGRAM

8:00–8:30 am
CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST AND REGISTRATION

8:30–8:45 am
WELCOME & INTRODUCTION
Diane E. Hoffmann, JD, MS
MHECN Executive Director
Director, Law & Health Care Program
University of Maryland School of Law

8:45–9:30 am
THE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF DNR ORDERS
Glen Treisman, MD, Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences
Johns Hopkins Hospital

9:30–9:45 am
QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

9:45–10:15 am
DNR IS NOT THE PROBLEM, AND THE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES
Gene Grochowski, MD, PhD
Associate Professor of Medicine
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and The Bioethics Institute of The Johns Hopkins University; Attending Physician, Division of Renal Medicine, Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center

10:15–10:30 am
BREAK

10:30–11:00 am
CHANGE ATTITUDES AND PRACTICE IN AN INSTITUTION
Glenn Earle, RN
Kevin Lynch, MD, Chief of Medicine
Upper Chesapeake Medical Center

11:00–11:30 am
FUTILITY, LIABILITY AND OTHER LEGAL ASPECTS OF FORTHGOING CPR ATTEMPTS
Martha Ann Knutson, JD, Legal Compliance Officer, Upper Chesapeake Health

11:30–11:45 am
QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

11:45–12:00 pm
COMMUNICATION RELATED TO DNR ORDERS—INTERACTIVE SESSION
Phil Panzarella, MD, MPH, Vice-Chairman Department of Medicine, Franklin Square Hospital

12:00–1:00 pm
LUNCH

1:30–2:15 pm
LONG-TERM CARE PERSPECTIVES AND THE CONSUMER-DIRECTED MODEL
I. Kevin Eckert, PhD, Professor, Co-Director of the UMBC Program in Gerontology; Director, UMBC Center for Aging Studies, and Kelly J. Niles, MPA, Center for Aging Studies, UMBC Doctoral Program in Gerontology

2:15–3:00 pm
CONCURRENT INTERACTIVE SESSIONS I

The ‘problem provider’—when medical orders don’t match the patient’s wishes, despite advocacy attempts—how to proceed?

Moderators: Kevin Lynch, MD, and Phil Panzarella, MD, MPH

Discussion of DNR orders in special populations: ethnic minorities; religious- or culturally-based vitalists.

Moderators: Lew Romer, MD, and Nabile Safdar, MD

Discussing DNR orders in special settings: the NICU, the operating room, hospice.

Moderators: Wyne Morrison, MD, and Anita J. Tarzian, PhD, RN

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Open table discussion of legal issues surrounding DNR issues and the Patient’s Plan of Care Form

Martha Ann Knutson, JD, Upper Chesapeake Health
Diane E. Hoffmann, JD, MS, University of Maryland School of Law

Jack Schwartz, JD, Maryland Attorney General’s Office

3:00–3:15 pm

3:15–4:00 pm
CONCURRENT INTERACTIVE SESSIONS II

BREAK

4:00 pm
ABJOURNMENT

4:00 pm
ADJOURNMENT

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DIRECTIONS:

From North (Philadelphia and New Jersey) – Take Interstate 95 south to Exit 498 (695 west), towards Towson. Once on 695, the Baltimore Beltway stay in your right lane. Exit at the next exit (21B – Wilkens Avenue). Merge onto Wilkens Avenue. Turn left at the first traffic light (Maiden Choice Lane).

Make the 2nd right (1st traffic light) into Charlestown Community. Stop at Gatehouse – announce yourself – move to your right. Make a right and follow road around to the first fork in the road, bear right (follow sign to Cross Creek Station). Turn left into parking lot at Cross Creek Station. The Johns Erickson Conference Center is located inside the Cross Creek Station Building.

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CONTINUING EDUCATION ACCREDITATION

Physicians: St. Agnes HealthCare is accredited by the Medical and Chiropractic Faculty of Maryland to sponsor continuing medical education. St. Agnes HealthCare designates this educational activity for a maximum of 6.0 hours in Category 1 credit towards the AMA Physician’s Recognition Award. Each physician should claim only those hours of credit that he/she actually spent in the educational activity.

Nurses: This program is approved for 5.0 contact hours by the Maryland Nurses Association.

Nursing Home Administrators: The Health Facilities Association of Maryland (HFAM) is a Registered Sponsor of professional continuing education with the National Association of Boards of Examiners of Long Term Care Administrators (NAB) and has approved this program for 5.0 hours listed under their sponsor agreement with NAB-NCERS. State license boards, however, have final authority on acceptance of individual courses. NAB approval number: 01614-056-92.

Attendence certificates will be available at the Conference.

STILL HAZY AFTER ALL THESE YEARS: DNR Orders—Problems and Solutions

DNR Orders – Problems and Solutions

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