

CLINICAL ETHICS BULLETIN

NEWS AND PUBLICATIONS
FROM AROUND THE WORLD
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NEWS & ARTICLES

Man loses S\$800,000 lawsuit against Tan Tock Seng Hospital and 3 doctors over mother's death

By Louisa Tang // Today

The Singapore High Court dismissed a case of alleged medical negligence, examining liability surrounding consent for stopping treatment.

New NHS genetic testing service "could save thousands of children" in England

By Denis Campbell // The Guardian

The NHS' new genetic testing service enables rapid analysis of the entire genome, allowing treatment for genetic diseases to begin much faster.

Commentary: Long overdue healthcare reforms through Healthier SG, but real challenges lie ahead

By Jeremy Lim // Today

Singapore announces new preventive care strategy for healthcare, but how effective it is remains to be seen.

GPs air concerns about annual service fee, medication subsidies under Healthier SG

By Lee Li Ying // The Straits Times

Examines the benefits as well as unanswered questions surrounding Singapore's new preventive care strategy.

Care substandard at 39% of maternity wards in England, NHS watchdog finds

By Denis Campbell // The Guardian

The annual Care Quality Commission assessment calls for improvements to maternity wards in England, after an alarming number are found to be inadequate.

PUBLICATIONS

Burdening Others

By Brent Kious // Hastings Center Report

Argues that fear of being a burden to caregivers can be a valid reason for self-sacrifice in the context of assisted suicide and euthanasia.

The imperative of professional dementia care

By Matilda Carter // Bioethics

Argues that the moral obligation to provide informal dementia care carries greater risk than seeking professional care, and should be a last resort.

Better Regulation of End-of-Life Care: A Call for a Holistic Approach

By Ben White, Lindy Willmott, Eliana Close // Journal of Bioethical Inquiry

Identifies flaws in existing regulations on end-of-life care, and proposes a holistic approach to regulation, detailing the practical implications of such an approach for regulators and researchers.

The Unexamined Benefits of the Expansive Legalization of Medical Assistance-in-Dying

By Sean Riley, Ben Sarbey // Journal of Bioethical Inquiry

Explores the benefits of eliminating near all MAiD prohibitions and regulations.

Externalist argument against medical assistance in dying for psychiatric illness

By Hane Htut Maung // Journal of Medical Ethics

Argues that the externalist approach to mental disorders highlights ethical challenges to the practice of MAiD for psychiatric illness, drawing attention to potentially overlooked interventions.

BLOG POSTS

Culpability in healthcare failures: Shifting away from the individual

By Daniel Taylor, Dawn Goodwin // JME Blog

Analyses failures in NHS care to highlight limitations in current whistleblowing practices, and suggests changing the way in which students are taught about patient safety and whistleblowing.

The place in "Aging in place": Housing equity in late life

By Nancy Berlinger // Hastings Center Forum

Examines how housing policy affects healthy aging, and calls for equitable policies.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CENTRES Clinical Ethics Conference 2023

Theme: Ethical Challenges in Home & Community Care Settings

Date: 6th & 7th February 2023

Venue: Kent Ridge Guild House

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