



## HCA-102 Ethics of Health Care

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### Description:

HCA-102 is an introductory course in the ethics of health care. We will explore the foundational principles of law, basic principles of ethics, the nature of rights, and standard ethical decision-making theories, and apply them to various issues that arise in the health care context, such as requests for futile care, euthanasia, abortion, informed consent, confidentiality, genetic testing, post-humanism, distributive justice, and professional gatekeeping.

**Textbook:** Ethics of Health Care: A Guide for Clinical Practice, 4<sup>th</sup> Ed. – Edge, Groves - ISBN: 9781305118850

### Course objectives:

Throughout the course, you will meet the following goals:

- State, critique, and respond to the criticisms of the four major theories of morality.
- Apply the ethical principles and theories to each of the topics and subtopics examined.
- Answer the instructional objectives at the beginning of each chapter.

### Contents:

- Ch 1: Introduction: Obligations of a Professional
- Ch 2: Human Value Development and the System of Public Law
- Ch 3: Decision Making in Value Issues and Private Law
- Ch 4: Basic Principles of Health Care and the Nature of Rights in Ethical Discourse
- Ch 5: Confidentiality and the Management of Health Care Information
- Ch 6: Justice and the Allocation of Scarce Resources
- Ch 7: Role Fidelity
- Ch 8: Reproductive Issues
- Ch 9: Decisions at the End of Life
- Ch 10: Health Care Ethics and the Near Future

### Grading Scale

- A = 95-100%
- B = 88-94.9%
- C = 80-87.9%
- D = 70-79.9%
- F = Below 70%

### Grade Weighting

Chapter Quizzes.....	70%
<u>Final Exam .....</u>	<u>30%</u>
	100%