Bioethics Grand Rounds

"Delivering Precision Medicine: The Role of Practical Wisdom"

February 21, 2014
3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Turner Auditorium, HSB D-209
special reception to follow in HSB A204
to honor Dr. Burke for her service as Chair

Molecular technologies and large scale data offer the promise of “precision medicine” leading to a host of better diagnostic tools, prevention strategies, and disease treatments. But powerful technologies can produce harms as well as benefits. Aristotle’s concept of phronesis – the practical wisdom acquired from experience and morally informed mentorship – can provide important guidance. Tapping the wisdom of clinicians and patients will help to ensure that the tools of precision medicine are crafted and delivered in ways that support the fundamental goals of medicine.

This special edition of Bioethics Grand Rounds is given by Dr. Wylie Burke, Professor and former Chair of the Department of Bioethics and Humanities. Dr. Burke is also Principal Investigator of the Center for Genomics and Healthcare Equality, an NIH-funded Center of Excellence in Ethical, Legal, and Social Implications (ELSI) Research and Dual PI of the Northwest-Alaska Pharmacogenomics Research Network. Her research addresses the social, ethical and policy implications of genetic information. Please join us in celebrating Dr. Burke’s contributions to our department and UW Medicine.

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