HIGHLIGHTS

Education and Community Engagement

The 30th annual Summer Seminar in Healthcare Ethics, featuring Dr. Kayhan Parsi and Bioethics & Humanities faculty.

The Departments of Surgery & Bioethics & Humanities launched the 1st Annual Surgical Ethics Conference.

March 2017 Bioethics Grand Rounds, “Endocarditis and the Opioid Crisis: Justice, Futility, and Resource Utilization” was the first of a two part series on endocarditis that drew a very large in person as well as remote audience.


National Leadership

Denise Dudzinski: Secretary, American Society of Bioethics & Humanities, Editorial Board American Journal of Bioethics

Nancy Jecker: Director at Large, American Society of Bioethics & Humanities

Helene Starks: Quality Committee and Clinical Quality Measures Working Group Member, American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine

Malia Fullerton: continued in her role as the Chair of the Bioethics Advisory Board (BAB) of the Kaiser Permanente National Research Bank.

Clinical Ethics Consultation

UW Medicine Ethics Consultation Service provided 125 clinical ethics consults, and numerous organizational ethics consults across three institutions, Harborview Medical Center, University of Washington Medical Center, and Northwest Hospital.

Personnel

Mandy Morneault joined the Department as Administrator in January 2018.

Scholarship

Blacksher E. Shrinking Poor White Lifespans: Class, Race, and Health Justice, American Journal of Bioethics (target article), forthcoming October 2018.


Malia Fullerton serves as the Ethical, Legal, and Social Implications (ELSI) lead for the Clinical Sequencing Evidence-Generating Research (CSER2) Coordinating Center housed at the University of Washington. The CSER2 Consortium, which is supported by the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI), the National Cancer Institute (NCI) and the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD), is prioritizing engagement of traditionally underrepresented populations in clinical translational genomics research.

Nancy Jecker, New Values for Old Age: Ending Midlife Bias, Oxford University Press, Forthcoming.

Bowen, DJ published paper reporting results of random controlled trial in public housing setting, allowed for new collaborations in Washington state with affordable housing.
SCHOLARSHIP: PEER REVIEWED PAPERS (1 OF 4)


Blacksher E. Shrinking Poor White Lifespans: Class, Race, and Health Justice, accepted April 2018, AJOB as target article.

Bowen DJ, Quintiliani L, Goodman, R, Smith, E. Changing the housing environment to reduce obesity in public housing residents: A cluster randomized trial, in press, BMC Public Health.


Etchegaray JM, Gallagher TH, Bell SK, Sage WM, Thomas EJ. Error disclosure training and organizational culture. In press, Advances in Patient Safety

ANNUAL REPORT: THE DEPARTMENT OF BIOETHICS & HUMANITIES
SCHOLARSHIP: PEER REVIEWED PAPERS (2 OF 4)


Jecker NS, Wightman AG, Rosenberg AR, 2017. “From Protection to Entitlement: Selecting Research Subjects for Early Phase Clinical Trials Involving Breakthrough Therapies.” *Journal of Medical Ethics*


Kinnamon, DD., Morales, A., Bowen, DJ, Burke, W, Hershberger, RE on behalf of the DCM Consortium Toward Genetics-Driven Early Intervention in Dilated Cardiomyopathy Design and Implementation of the DCM Precision Medicine Study *Circ Cardiovasc Genet.* 2017;10. PMID: 29237686


SCHOLARSHIP: **PEER REVIEWED PAPERS (3 OF 4)**


Commentaries/Editorials/Letters


Book Chapters

PRESENTATIONS

Erika Blacksher, PhD


PRESENTATIONS

Gina Campelia, PhD


Treuman Katz Center for Pediatric Bioethics, Seattle Children's Hospital, “Care Ethics & Clinical Ethics”, Jun 7, 2017.

Denise Dudzinski, PhD, MTS


PRESENTATIONS

Kelly Edwards, PhD

NASPA, Philadelphia, March 2018

“Building Trustworthy and Just Relationships in Research,” Native Health Research Conference, Anchorage, October 2017

“Ethics in Citizen Science,” NIEHS Partnerships in Environmental Public Health, Webinar Speaker, October 2017
PRESENTATIONS

**Malia Fullerton, DPhil**

"Practicing precision: reflections on the pursuit of genomic research in clinical settings", Guest Seminars, UCLA Institute for Society and Genetics, March 2017 and Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, April 2017

"Informed consent in genomic research using electronic health records: views of prospective participants", iCONCUR Bioethics Workshop, University of California at San Diego, San Diego, CA, April 2017

"Genomics, precision medicine, and population health benefit: addressing bias in discovery and translation", Guest Seminars, Center for Genomics and Society, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, NC and Center for Transdisciplinary ELSI Research in Translational Genomics, University of California San Francisco, CA, both May 2017


“Health care disparities in genomic medicine”, for the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, Roundtable on Genomics and Precision Health Fall 2017 Meeting, Washington, DC, November 2017
PRESENTATIONS

Tom Gallagher, MD

PRESENTATIONS

Nancy Jecker, PhD

Visiting Professor, University of Johannesburg, Department of Philosophy and Center for African Epistemology and Philosophy of Science, Johannesburg, South Africa, January 2017-December 2019.

Book Symposium, featuring the first 5 chapters of my book on ethics and aging, includes 12 faculty from the University of Johannesburg Department of Philosophy, University of Johannesburg African Center for Epistemology and Philosophy of Science, Witwatersrand University Steve Biko Centre for Bioethics, Johannesburg, South Africa, April 2018.

Invited Speaker, “Preserving Dignity in Later Life: Sub-Saharan African and U.S. Perspectives,” University of Johannesburg, Department of Philosophy, Johannesburg, South Africa, April 2018.

Invited Speaker, Steve Biko Centre for Bioethics, Witwatersrand University, Department of Philosophy, Presentation on “Preserving Dignity in Later Life: Sub-Saharan African and U.S. Perspectives,” Johannesburg, South Africa, April 2018.

Visiting Professor, National University of Singapore, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine, Centre for Biomedical Ethics, March 2018.

Keynote Address, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Faculty of Medicine, Centre for Bioethics and Office of Medical Education, Shatin, New Territories, Hong Kong. International Conference on Bioethics, Professionalism & Workplace Assessment, presentation on “Professionalism in Medicine,” March 2018.

Bioethics Symposium Chinese University of Hong Kong, Faculty of Medicine, Centre for Bioethics and Office of Medical Education, Shatin, New Territories, Hong Kong. International Conference on Bioethics, Professionalism & Workplace Assessment, presentation on “Preserving Dignity in later Life: Dementia,” March 2018.

Invited Speaker, National Taiwan University, College of Medicine, Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Bioethics. Presentation on “Preserving Dignity for Older Adults,” March 2018.


Visiting Professor, University of Bucharest, Research Institute, Division of Humanities, Bucharest, Romania, Presentations on “Making Decisions for Patients with Advanced Dementia;” “Preserving Dignity in Dementia;” “The Future of Population Aging: Lessons from Romania,” December 2017.


**PRESENTATIONS**

**Helene Starks, PhD, MPH**


Keyssar JR, Berman A, Fields T, **Starks H**. “View from the other side: What can we learn from palliative care professionals who became patients?” Panel presentation, AAHPM/HPNA Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, March 16, 2018.
NEW GRANTS & CONTRACTS

Population-based Interventions to Improve Behavioral Health in a Tribal Healthcare System
Funded by the NIH Native American Research Centers for Health
Susan Brown Trinidad, Senior Researcher

Kidney Precision Medicine Project Central Hub
Funded by the NIH National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive Kidney Diseases
Malia Fullerton, Co-Investigator

Communication and Resolution Program Certification: Promoting Accountability and Learning After Adverse Events
Funded by the DHHS Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
Thomas Gallagher, Principal Investigator
EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Bioethics Grand Rounds

“The Difficult Conversations: “Talking With Teens (and Their Parents) About Poor Prognosis,”
Abby R. Rosenberg, MD, MS, UW Assistant Professor Department of Pediatrics, Hematology/Oncology

“Patient Fear and Comfort: Ethical Obligations for Patients in Awake Procedures,”
Paul J. Ford, PhD, Interim Chair Department of Bioethics, Cleveland Clinic

“Endocarditis and the Opioid Crisis: Justice, Futility, and Resource Utilization” organized by James Kirkpatrick, MD, Associate Professor of Medicine, Director of the Echocardiography Laboratory, Chair of UWMC Ethics Committee

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July 31-August 4, 2017
Total attendees: 86

1st Annual Surgical Ethics Conference
August 5, 2017 Seattle, WA
Total attendees: 8

Bioethics & Humanities MA Program
2017 graduates: Crystal Brown, Kristi Klee, Leah Kroon, Abby Rosenberg, Anna Snyder, Tyler Tate

UW School of Medicine
In addition to ongoing ethics curriculum for the medical students and as part of a new course “Ecology of Health and Medicine”, the Ethics Theme has launched 4 new ethics modules and there are plans to launch an additional 4 new modules in the coming year. Topics include: What is Bioethics?, Individual Responsibility to the Profession, Trustworthiness & Relational Autonomy, Relational Ethics, Healthcare Justice: Bedside Rationing, and Complexities in Decision Making Capacity.