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### The Ethics of Caring for Older People

**BMJ Books** This book is the British Medical Association's statement on the ethics related to care of the elderly, written and reviewed by a panel of renowned medical ethicists. As such it is an authoritative and considered reference, written in an accessible, non jargon so as to be useful for anyone charged with looking after the elderly. The book includes useful case examples so that it can be used by a range of health professionals and carers who need to know the law and ethics of looking after older people. The authors focus on practical issues such as helping older people stick to their treatment regimes, the sort of information they should be given to give valid consent, and their rights to confidentiality, as well as discussion about where they want to end their lives when it comes to that point.

#### Facing Limits

#### Ethics And Health Care For The Elderly

Routledge

#### Ethics and the Elderly

#### The Challenge of Long-Term Care

Orbis Books

#### Ethics in Community-Based Elder Care

**Springer Publishing Company** Caring for elders outside of institutions is the fastest growing sector of US health care. Building on their research study at the Park Ridge Center, editors Holstein and Mitzen, together with a team of experts, examine the complexities involved in developing an ethics for community-based long-term care. They also challenge policymakers to make home care a more viable option for older people in need. Chapters address many of the ethical and practical problems that arise in the care of older people with physical and mental disabilities--including how to allocate scarce funds, how to keep good caregivers, how to balance concerns of autonomy, risk and safety, and worker stress. The volume is an excellent resource for practitioners, policymakers, and students.

#### Care Ethics, Democratic Citizenship and the State

**Springer Nature** This book reflects on theoretical developments in the political theory of care and new applications of care ethics in different contexts. The chapters provide original and fresh perspectives on the seminal notions and topics of a politically formulated ethics of care. It covers concepts such as democratic citizenship, social and political participation, moral and political deliberation, solidarity and situated attentive knowledge. It engages with current debates on marketizing and privatizing care, and deals with issues of state care provision and democratic caring institutions. It speaks to the current political and societal challenges, including the crisis of Western democracy related to the rise of populism and identity politics worldwide. The book brings together perspectives of care theorists from three different continents and ten different countries and gives voice to their unique local insights from various socio-political and cultural contexts. Chapter 11 is available open access under a Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International License via [link.springer.com](http://link.springer.com).

#### Ethics of Care

#### Critical Advances in International Perspective

**Policy Press** Over the last twenty years, research on feminist care ethics has flourished, and this collection makes a unique contribution to that body of work. Drawing on a wealth of practical experience across eight different disciplinary fields, the international contributors demonstrate the significance of care ethics as a transformative way of thinking across diverse geographical, political, and interpersonal contexts. From an analysis of global responsibilities to a reimagining of care from the perspective of people with learning disabilities, each chapter highlights the necessity of thinking about the ethics of care within policies and practice.

#### Ethics in Community-Based Elder Care

Springer Publishing Company [cs.hlth.cmmhlth](http://cs.hlth.cmmhlth)

## The Ethics of Care

### Personal, Political, and Global

Oxford University Press on Demand An exploration of the moral theory examines the characteristics of the ethics of care, discussing the feminist roots of this moral approach, what is meant by "care," and the potential of the ethics of care for dealing with social issues.

### Health Care Ethics

### Critical Issues for the 21st Century

Jones & Bartlett Learning Provides expert help you need to make difficult bio-ethical decisions, covering a broad range of current and future health care issues, as well as institutional and social issues applicable to multiple disciplines and settings.

### Confucian Ren and Feminist Ethics of Care

### Integrating Relational Self, Power, and Democracy

Rowman & Littlefield Confucian traditions have ingrained gender stratifications in Chinese culture today. Yuan proposes re-reading early Confucian texts as a vision of Ren with Dao with the unity of heaven, earth, and humanity, in order to reclaim the egalitarian aspects and develop openness for gender equity with integration of feminist critical care ethics.

### Ethical Patient Care

### A Casebook for Geriatric Health Care Teams

JHU Press The delivery of good medical care often involves professionals from various disciplines working together. Interdisciplinary health care teams can be especially valuable in managing patients with complex medical and social needs, such as older persons in hospital, community, or home settings. Such teams, however, can also complicate or even create problems because of their diverse views and responsibilities. Ethical Patient Care: A Casebook for Geriatric Health Care Teams is designed to teach effective and responsible group decision making to clinicians working in teams to treat older patients. The editors use the case study method to present ethical dilemmas that team members encounter in the management of geriatric patients. Patients with multiple chronic conditions so often require the care of more than one medical specialist, and in the introductory chapters the editors suggest ways to resolve conflicts among patients, health care professionals, and the institutions that support them, including hospitals, HMOs, insurance companies, and the government. The book is then divided into four sections, each dealing with one angle of the team-care picture. The first section treats the diverse ethical imperatives of various professionals, conflicts among disciplinary approaches, and varying attitudes toward end-of-life- decision making. Section two focuses on the patient and covers patient confidentiality, family decisionmaking and interaction with the healthcare team, issues of patient and team nonadherence to the care plan, and elder abuse and neglect. Section three examines the emerging difficulties of decentralized health care in settings such as hospitals, nursing homes, and the home, including clinician accountability and how ethical dilemmas differ across settings. Section four discusses the problems arising from the increasing responsibility of clinicians to manage costs and serve the interests of hospitals and insurers. Ethical Patient Care is a valuable resource for bioethicists, gerontologists, and the physicians, nurses, social workers, and therapists who care for aging persons.

### Caring for Older People in the Community

John Wiley & Sons Caring for older people encompasses complex physical, social and psychological needs, and poses many diverse challenges for nurses. Caring for Older People in the Community provides nurses with an up to date practical resource that explores these challenges. Throughout the book the use of reflection points and scenarios enable the reader to reflect on current issues and consider how underpinning theory supports practice. Each chapter is evidence based and fully referenced, with full contact details of charities. This book will appeal to health and social care practitioners working in community settings, and will help nurses meet the challenge of nursing and the ageing population with empathy and understanding of diverse needs

### Health Care Ethics

### Critical Issues for the 21st Century

Jones & Bartlett Learning This thorough revision of health care ethics brings the reader up to date on the most important issues in biomedical ethics today.

### Oxford Textbook of Geriatric Medicine

Oxford University Press Over the past two decades there has been a marked change in global age demographics, with the number of over-60s increasing by 82% and the number of centenarians by 715%. This new-found longevity is testament to the success of recent advances in medicine, but poses significant challenges to multiple areas of health care concerning older patients. Building upon its predecessor's reputation as the definitive resource on the subject, this new edition of the Oxford Textbook of Geriatric Medicine offers a comprehensive and multinational examination of the field. Fully revised to reflect the current state of geriatric medicine, it examines the medical and scientific basis of clinical issues, as well as the ethical, legal, and socio-economic concerns for healthcare policy and systems. Over 170 chapters are broken up into 16 key sections, covering topics ranging from policy and key concepts through to infection, cancer, palliative medicine, and healthy ageing. New material includes focus on the evolving concepts of malnutrition, sarcopenia, frailty, and related geriatric syndromes and integration of geriatric principles from public health, primary and specialized care, and transitional stages from home to emergency, medicine and surgery, rehabilitation, and long term care. The Oxford Textbook of Geriatric Medicine brings together specialists from across the globe to provide every physician involved in the care of older patients with a comprehensive resource on all the clinical problems they are likely to encounter, as well as on related psychological, philosophical, and social issues.

## Ethics

### Contemporary Challenges in Health and Social Care

Policy Press Ethics has been addressed in health care, but relatively little attention has been paid to the subject in the social care sector. This book redresses the balance by examining theory, research, policy and practice in both fields. The importance of this approach is reflected in the growing emphasis on ethical issues in research and practice.

### Medical Ethics and the Elderly

Radcliffe Publishing This is a concise introductory handbook providing practical, realistic guidance on how to evaluate and manage common ethical problems encountered in day-to-day care of elderly patients.

### Affirmation, Care Ethics, and LGBT Identity

Springer In this book, Johnston argues that affirmation is not only encouragement or support, but also the primary mechanism we use to form our identities and create safe spaces. Using the work of feminist care ethics and the thinking of French philosopher Henri Bergson to examine responses to school bullying and abuses faced by LGBT older adults, he provides the theoretical analysis and practical tools LGBT people and their allies need to make all spaces, public and private, spaces in which we can live openly as members of the LGBT community. With its combination of philosophical theory and on-the-ground activist experience, this text will be useful to anyone interested in philosophy, women's and gender studies, psychology, aging, geriatrics, and LGBT activism.

### Ethical Dimensions of Geriatric Care

### Value Conflicts for the 21st Century

Springer Science & Business Media There is both a timeliness and a transcendent 'rightness' in the fact that scholars, clinicians, and health professionals are beginning to examine the ethics-based components of decision making in health care of the elderly. Ethics - as the discipline concerned with right or wrong conduct and moral duty - pervades hospital rooms, nursing home corridors, physicians' offices, and the halls of Congress as decisions are made that concern the allocation of health-related services to individuals and groups in need. In particular, care of older persons recently has received disproportionate attention in discussions of ethics and clinical care. Age alone, of course, should not generate special focus on ill individuals about whom concerns arise based on value conflicts tacitly involved in the delivery of health care. Having said that age is not the principal criterion for attention to ethics-based concerns in health care, it must be acknowledged that old people have a high prevalence of conditions that provoke interest and put them in harm's way if value conflicts are not identified and seriously addressed. Issues that concern autonomy, the allocation of scarce resources, inter-generational competition and conflict, the withholding of treatment in treatable disease, and substitute and proxy decision making for the cognitively impaired all have special relevance for older persons.

### Social Work with Older People

SAGE This book provides an up-to-date and authoritative overview of the development of social work with older people in the UK. The coherent structure draws together the key themes involved in working with older people, and clearly demonstrates how to translate these into real-life practice. Key features of the book include: - Establishes an understanding of the policy context within which social work takes place, with particular attention to key topics such as inter-professional collaboration and ethics. - Goes beyond other textbooks to challenge the restricted nature of social work practice, and adopts a positive view of its potential to benefit older people. - An engaging and practice-led approach which includes student-friendly features and detailed practice scenarios. - Satisfies the curriculum benchmarks and National Occupational Standards that structure social work training and practice. Written by a leading academic, this is a key text for social work trainees. Its analytical depth will ensure that it will also be valuable for students undertaking post-qualifying courses, and for those in related disciplines such as health and community care, social policy and social gerontology. Its practice-based and inter-professional approach will mean it is also useful for health and social care practitioners seeking to improve the quality of practice with older people. Drawing on both theory and research as well as the author's clear knowledge of current practice, this book is able to deal with practice realities in ways which many texts cannot. It offers social workers realistic options for how to approach their work' - Karen Postle, University of East Anglia

### Contemporary European Perspectives on the Ethics of End of Life Care

Springer Nature This book examines the ethics of end of life care, focusing on the kinds of decisions that are commonly made in clinical practice. Specific attention is paid to the intensification of treatment for terminal symptoms, particularly pain relief, and the withdrawal and withholding of care, particularly life-saving or life-prolonging medical care. The book is structured into three sections. The first section contains essays examining end of life care from the perspective of moral theory and theology. The second sets out various conceptual terms and distinctions relevant to decision-making at the end of life. The third section contains chapters that focus on substantive ethical issues. This format not only provides for a comprehensive analysis of the ethical issues that arise in the context of end of life care but allows readers to effectively trace the philosophical, theological and conceptual underpinnings that inform their specific interests. This work will be of interest to scholars working in the area as well as clinicians, specialists and healthcare professionals who encounter these issues in the course of their practice.

### Palliative Care for Older People in Care Homes

In this work, contributors from nursing and medicine, from the social and health sciences, and from ethics and health planning provide an international perspective on key issues in relation to end-of-life care such as: assessment; loss, autonomy and the ethics of end-of-life decision making.

### Kozier & Erb's Fundamentals of Nursing Australian Edition

Pearson Higher Education AU Kozier and Erb's Fundamentals of Nursing prepares students for practice in a range of diverse clinical settings and help them understand what it means to be a competent professional nurse in the twenty-first century. This third Australian edition has once again undergone a rigorous review and writing process. Contemporary changes in the regulation of nursing are reflected in the chapters and the third edition continues to focus on the three core philosophies: Person-centred care, critical thinking and clinical reasoning and cultural safety. Students will develop the knowledge, critical thinking and clinical reasoning skills to deliver care for their patients in ways that signify respect, acceptance, empathy, connectedness, cultural sensitivity and genuine concern.

## Contemporary Catholic Health Care Ethics

Georgetown University Press As David Kelly writes, "Catholic moral theology has not been completely constant over the centuries; it has learned and developed." In *Contemporary Catholic Health Care Ethics* he demonstrates how Catholic health care ethics can—and should—evolve similarly in response to the lightning speed of modern medical advances. Kelly draws on and analyzes the Catholic tradition of medical ethics—but he does not shy away from criticizing it as well, giving health care professionals, hospital ethics committees, and students a fresh treatment of Catholic health care ethics emphasizing theology, methodology, and application. First discussing the Catholic understanding of the human person, Kelly proposes a Catholic Christian approach to the meaning of human life as it applies specifically to health care. He includes a brief history of the relationship between religion and medicine, and makes strong claims about how theology ought and ought not to be applied in health care ethics. Drawing from the terminology and approaches used by secular bioethics, he suggests how a Catholic perspective on health care can utilize certain secular moral-philosophical positions, even as they apply to the issues of birth control, and end-of-life concerns. As practitioners, patients, and families face the difficult decision to continue or stop treatment for dying patients, Kelly compassionately, but practically, explores their concerns in light of American law and ethics. Finally, he provides measured insight on pain management, hospital ethics committees, stem cell research, genetic engineering, and allocation of health care resources. *Contemporary Catholic Health Care Ethics* is informed, challenging, articulate, and bold—bringing to the extremely important field of Catholic health care ethics a much-needed and welcome voice, unafraid to speak to the most difficult issues of the 21st century.

## Evaluation for a Caring Society

IAP This book highlights views on responsive, participatory and democratic approaches to evaluation from an ethos of care. It critically scrutinizes and discusses the invisibility of care in our contemporary Western societies and evaluation practices that aim to measure practices by external standards. Alternatively, the book proposes several foci for evaluators who work from a care perspective or wish to encourage a caring society. This is a society that sees evaluation and care as a continuously unfolding relational practice of moral-political learning contributing to life-sustaining webs. 'At one level is the evaluator's immediately responsive and interpersonal encounter with the personal troubles of social actors, most visible, as Mills originally pointed out, in an individual's biography and in those social settings directly open to the individual's lived experience. (...) At another level, the sociological and political level, the evaluator operates at what Mills called the arena of public issues where immediate personal troubles are seen not only as problems encountered by individuals but as the result of structural and political arrangements in society (...) evaluation for a caring society is thought to operate at both levels' (Thomas A. Schwandt, Professor Emeritus, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign). 'The intricate relationship between evaluation and care is hardly addressed by evaluators or caregivers. This book fills a gap, as it focuses on the relationship between evaluation and care and provides a multitude of examples of evaluation as a caring practice (...) the book can serve as an antidote to the present-day haste in social practices, and contribute, in form and content, to developing an evaluation practice which may foster a caring society' (Guy Widdershoven, Professor of Philosophy and Ethics of Medicine and head of the Department of Medical Humanities at VU University Medical Center, VU University Amsterdam).

## Ethical Challenges for Healthcare Practices at the End of Life: Interdisciplinary Perspectives

Springer Nature This book presents a collection of exclusively selected manuscripts on current ethical controversies related to professional practices from an interprofessional perspective. Insights are provided into the diversity of practices and viewpoints from different countries are merged in a unique way. The book contributes to the debate on social and legal issues regarding end-of-life practices such as organ donation, medically assisted dying and advance care planning. In addition, joint international author groups contributed exclusive chapters about European comparisons on end-of-life topics. The focus on country- and culture-specific aspects broadens the view on key issues and makes the book attractive for an international readership. The variety of approaches and methods used informs and inspires the development of new research and best-practice projects.

## Re-Imagining Old Age: Wellbeing, care and participation

Vernon Press The understanding that humans are relational beings is central to the development of an ethical perspective that is built around the significance of care in all our lives. Our survival as infants is dependent on the care we receive from others. And for all of us, in particular, in older age, there are times when illness, emotional or physical frailty, mean that we require the care of others to enable us to deal with everyday life. With this in mind, this book presents the findings of a project that seeks to understand what wellbeing means to older people and to influence the practice of those who work with older people. Its starting point was a shared commitment amongst researchers and an NGO collaborator to the value of working with older people in both research and practice, to learn from them and be influenced by them rather than seeing them as the 'subjects' of a research project. Theoretically, the authors draw upon a range of studies in critical gerontology that seek to understand how experiences of ageing are shaped by their social, economic, cultural and political contexts. By employing a broad body of work that challenges normative assumptions of 'successful' ageing, the authors draw attention to how these assumptions have been constructed through neo-liberal policies of 'active ageing.' Notably, they also apply insights from feminist ethics of care, which are based on a relational ontology that challenges neo-liberal assumptions of autonomous individualism. Influenced by relational ethics, they are attentive to older people both as co-researchers and research respondents. By successfully applying this perspective to social care practice, they facilitate the need for practitioners to reflect on personal aspects of ageing and care but also to bridge the gap between the personal and the professional.

## The Right to Health Care: Ethical Considerations

Springer Nature This book provides an in-depth ethical analysis of the right to health care by contrasting privatized with socialized approaches. It pays special attention to how a socialized approach can be implemented in the context of limited resources and offers a way of integrating allocation decisions at the policy level with institutional and hands-on decision-making. It also discusses how the right to health care translates into duties on part of the members of society. In an Appendix, it suggests how, in time of need, the TRIPS Agreement allows countries to side-step patent regulations that would otherwise raise the cost of patented healthcare products beyond what a particular society is able to afford. The book is of interest not only to scholars but also to healthcare policy makers, administrators and healthcare professionals, as well as to patients themselves.

## The Art and Science of Mental Health Nursing

### Principles and Practice

McGraw-Hill Education (UK) This comprehensive nursing text has been fully and extensively updated for this third edition, and offers students a complete guide to the art and science of mental health nursing. The book combines theory and practice to look in-depth at: Different 'types' of mental health problems ; Different therapeutic interventions ; The practical tools of nursing such as risk, assessment, problem solving ; Key themes such as ethics, law and professional issues.

## Social Isolation and Loneliness in Older Adults

## Opportunities for the Health Care System

National Academies Press Social isolation and loneliness are serious yet underappreciated public health risks that affect a significant portion of the older adult population. Approximately one-quarter of community-dwelling Americans aged 65 and older are considered to be socially isolated, and a significant proportion of adults in the United States report feeling lonely. People who are 50 years of age or older are more likely to experience many of the risk factors that can cause or exacerbate social isolation or loneliness, such as living alone, the loss of family or friends, chronic illness, and sensory impairments. Over a life course, social isolation and loneliness may be episodic or chronic, depending upon an individual's circumstances and perceptions. A substantial body of evidence demonstrates that social isolation presents a major risk for premature mortality, comparable to other risk factors such as high blood pressure, smoking, or obesity. As older adults are particularly high-volume and high-frequency users of the health care system, there is an opportunity for health care professionals to identify, prevent, and mitigate the adverse health impacts of social isolation and loneliness in older adults. Social Isolation and Loneliness in Older Adults summarizes the evidence base and explores how social isolation and loneliness affect health and quality of life in adults aged 50 and older, particularly among low income, underserved, and vulnerable populations. This report makes recommendations specifically for clinical settings of health care to identify those who suffer the resultant negative health impacts of social isolation and loneliness and target interventions to improve their social conditions. Social Isolation and Loneliness in Older Adults considers clinical tools and methodologies, better education and training for the health care workforce, and dissemination and implementation that will be important for translating research into practice, especially as the evidence base for effective interventions continues to flourish.

## Mental Capacity Legislation

### Principles and Practice

Cambridge University Press This theoretical and practical guide to Mental Capacity Statute considers recent case law, medico-legal challenges and future legislation.

## Nursing Ethics in Everyday Practice

Sigma Theta Tau This book is written specifically for bedside/staff nurses at the front lines of health care in hospitals, hospice, long-term care, and home health care. Presented in a simple, easy-to-read and engaging style so that nurses can readily put the information to use in a clinical setting. Provides a framework that staff nurses can implement to resolve the ethical dilemmas they frequently encounter in practice. Great for students and covers both theory and practical applications.

## Ethics, Health Policy and (Anti-) Aging: Mixed Blessings

Springer Science & Business Media This volume focuses on the ethical and philosophical issues that arise in an aging society, and the implications of these issues for healthcare and social policy. After a brief overview of biomedicine's changing approach of ageing and longevity and of the new expectations that these changes generate, various ethical, social, and policy issues that surround aging and longevity are discussed. First, the images and social meanings of aging and old age in our society are explored, including their normative dimensions and implications for policy. Next, ethical issues in the care for frail elderly are discussed, as well as notion of good care and end-of-life decisions. Finally, the ethical and social implications of emerging possibilities for anti-aging and lifespan extension are considered. The book concludes with an overview of the relevance of the issues discussed for policy making on professional, national and international levels.

## Nursing Care of the Elderly

Western Schools

### Primary Care Ethics

Radcliffe Publishing 'Primary Care Ethics' offers a diverse range of perspectives on topical issues as well as focusing on familiar dilemmas such as vulnerable patients, multidisciplinary team-working, whistle-blowing and resource allocation.

## Ethics in Clinical Practice

### An Inter-Professional Approach

Routledge An easy to understand text, which at the same time reflects contemporary health care practice, emphasising inter-professional care and cultural sensitivity to clients or patients. Discussing common ethical problems in all aspects of interdisciplinary clinical practice and presents both sides of any ethical issue. Case studies throughout make ethical issues applied and relevant to your clinical practice, so that you can understand how you can apply ethics in everyday situations including Primary Care, Mental Health, Complex Care The book is packed with activities and pointers on professional development, and contains advice on keeping a reflective journal.

## Nursing Ethics: Across the Curriculum and Into Practice

Jones & Bartlett Learning Nursing Ethics: Across the Curriculum and Into Practice continues to provide a solid ethical foundation for nursing students in an updated sixth edition. This comprehensive, easy-to-read text covers ethics across the nursing curriculum, making it a perfect fit for any undergraduate course. Logically divided into three parts, Nursing Ethics, Sixth Edition underscores how ethics is interwoven with nearly every aspect of professional nursing practice. It guides students through the foundations of ethics in nursing, ethical considerations across the lifespan, and ethical considerations for areas such as leadership and public health. Engaging learning features, including case studies, legal perspectives, and research notes bring concepts to life and serve to remind students that ethics really does sit at the heart of professional nursing practice and quality patient care.

## Ethics in Health Care

Juta and Company Ltd Dealing primarily with nursing in South Africa and the particular challenges that the country's nurses encounter, this book looks at the ethical questions confronting nurses as well as the moral philosophy behind those considerations. Ubuntu—the African notion that everyone in a community is responsible for the welfare of its members—plays a large part in the moral deliberations of the book, as do problems particular to South Africa. This second edition is updated with new case studies on the AIDS pandemic as well as new ethical questions stemming from the legalization of abortion in South Africa and the rise in the power of health worker unions.

## Care Ethics

### New Theories and Applications

**Routledge** The ethic of care has developed to become a body of theory that has expanded from its roots in social psychology to many other disciplines in the social sciences as well as the humanities. This work on care has informed both theory and practice by generating complex accounts of care ethics for multiple and intersecting kinds of relationships, and for a variety of domains and contexts. Its application now extends from the moral to the political realm, from personal to public relationships, from the local to the global, from feminine to feminist virtues and values, and from issues of gender to issues of power and oppression. The developments in the theories and applications of care ethics over the past few decades make this book an appropriate and timely publication. It includes chapters by authors who are developing or expanding theories of care ethics and also by those who work on applying and extending insights from care ethics to practices and policies in personal and institutional settings. Care Ethics provides readers from different disciplines and professional groups with a substantial number of new theories and applications from both new and established authors. This book was originally published as two special issues of Ethics and Social Welfare.

### Ethics and Nursing Practice

#### A Case Study Approach

**Bloomsbury Publishing** This comprehensive and thought-provoking textbook offers both an essential introduction to key aspects of nursing ethics, including the role of professional codes of conduct and challenges to be encountered in the 21st century, and an in-depth exploration of ethical issues in relation to specific patient groups, such as the unborn, those with mental health difficulties, and the dying. In addition, the book provides a stimulating discussion of ethics relating to public health issues, such as smoking and obesity, as well as the fundamental matter of ethics in nursing research. With ethics at the core of nursing practice, this fully updated textbook is a must-read for students on nursing undergraduate programmes and qualified practitioners wanting to ensure their skills are up to date and they're delivering the best care possible. New to this Edition: - Fully updated new edition - Illustrated by a wealth of case studies relating to real-life conflicts to aid understanding and application of knowledge and encourage students to think about practical rather than abstract issues

#### A Cross-Cultural Dialogue on Health Care Ethics

**Wilfrid Laurier Univ. Press** The ethical theories employed in health care today assume, in the main, a modern Western philosophical framework. Yet the diversity of cultural and religious assumptions regarding human nature, health and illness, life and death, and the status of the individual suggest that a cross-cultural study of health care ethics is needed. A Cross-Cultural Dialogue on Health Care Ethics provides this study. It shows that ethical questions can be resolved by examining the ethical principles present in each culture, critically assessing each value, and identifying common values found within all traditions. It encourages the development of global awareness and sensitivity to and respect for the diversity of peoples and their values and will advance understanding as well as help to foster a greater balance and a fuller truth in consideration of the human condition and what makes for health and wholeness.