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Rethinking Death: A Conference on Meaning, Ethics, and Policy Issues in Death and Dying

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Tuesday, March 28, 2006

*The Officer's Club,
110 S Fort Douglas Blvd
Salt Lake City, UT 84113*

Conference Agenda

	SESSION ONE: THE ETHICS OF DEATH	1:00-2:00	BREAKOUT SESSIONS:
8:00-8:30	Opening remarks: <i>Historical tensions and current problems about death and dying</i> Peggy Battin, PhD & Jay Jacobson, MD		Armand Antommaria, MD <i>Donation After Cardiac Death: Evolution of a Policy</i>
8:30-9:30	Stuart Youngner, M.D. <i>What Counts as Death, and Why Does It Matter?</i>		Laurie Zoloth, RN, PhD <i>Continuing discussion of Dr. Zoloth's presentation</i>
9:30-9:45	Break		Mette Rurup, Ph.D. <i>The Truth About the Netherlands</i>
9:45-11:00	BREAKOUT SESSIONS:		SESSION THREE: PUBLIC POLICY CONCERNING DYING
	Jeff Botkin, MD <i>Brain Death in Kids: Salvaging Something good from a Bad Situation</i>	2:00-3:00	Mette Rurup, Ph.D. <i>Death and Dying: New Issues from the Netherlands</i>
	Leslie Francis, PhD, JD <i>Legal Standards for Brain Death: Should we reassess?</i>	3:00- 3:15	Break
	Stuart Youngner, MD <i>Continuing discussion of Dr. Youngner's presentation</i>	3:15-4:00	Leslie Francis PhD, JD <i>What the Supreme Court Has Said, Might Have Said, and Could Have Said About Dying</i>
		4:00-4:30	Panel: Drs. Youngner, Zoloth and Rurup
	SESSION TWO: THE MEANING OF DEATH	4:30	Adjourn
11:00-12:00	Laurie Zoloth, RN, PhD <i>The Borderlands at Nightfall: New Issues in Moral Philosophy and Faith at the End of Life</i>		
12:00-1:00	Lunch		

Guest Speakers

Stuart Youngner, M.D., is currently Chair of the Department of Bioethics at Case Western Reserve University, and the Susan E. Watson Professor of Bioethics.

Dr. Youngner is a nationally and internationally recognized scholar in biomedical ethics and has published and spoken on topics including: decisions to limit life-sustaining treatment, ethics committees, physician-assisted suicide, advance directives, definitions of death, and ethical issues in organ retrieval and transplantation. He served as President of the Society for Bioethics Consultation from 1994-1997 and is a founding member of the Board of Directors of the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities.

Dr. Youngner has published over 70 articles in peer-reviewed scholarly journals. He is the editor or coeditor of six books, including the recently released *The Definition of Death: Contemporary Controversies* (Johns Hopkins). Dr. Youngner also holds an appointment as Profesor Invitado at the Instituto Superior de Ciencias Medicas in Havana, Cuba.

Laurie Zoloth, Ph.D., is Professor of Medical Ethics and Humanities at Northwestern's Feinberg School of Medicine, and of Religion in the Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences. At the Feinberg School, she also serves as Director of the Center for Bioethics, Science, and Society. From 1995-2003, she was Professor of Ethics and Director of the Program in Jewish Studies at San Francisco State University. In 2001, she was the President of the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities. She is a member of the NASA National Advisory Council, the nation's highest civilian advisory board for NASA; The NASA Planetary Protection Advisory Committee; the Executive Committee of the International Society for Stem Cell Research; and she is the Chair of the Howard Hughes Medical Institute's Bioethics Advisory Board.

Mette Rurup, Ph.D., received her PhD in medical biology in September 2005 from the Department of Public and Occupational Health at the VU University Medical Center in Amsterdam where she received a scholarship as a board member of the study association. Her PhD thesis was about people who request euthanasia or assisted suicide because they are 'weary of life', and about people with advance directives for euthanasia. She is currently continuing her post doctoral research at the VU University Medical Center on euthanasia, older people with a wish to die, and advance directives. She has published several publications in peer-reviewed journals on these subjects.

LOCAL FACULTY:

Armand Antommaria, M.D., Ph.D. Chair of Primary Children's Medical Center's Bioethics Committee, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine, Member of the Division of Medical Ethics

Margaret (Peggy) Battin Ph.D., Distinguished Professor of Philosophy, Adjunct Professor of Internal Medicine, Member of the Division of Medical Ethics

Jeffrey Botkin, M.D., Associate Vice President of Research Integrity, Professor of Pediatrics, Adjunct Professor of Internal Medicine, Adjunct Professor of Human Genetics, Member of the Division of Medical Ethics

Leslie P. Francis, Ph.D., J.D., Chair, Department of Philosophy. Alfred C. Emery Professor of Law, Professor of Philosophy, Adjunct Professor of Internal Medicine, Member of the Division of Medical Ethics

Jay A. Jacobson, M.D., Chief of the Division of Medical Ethics, Professor of Internal Medicine, Member of the Division of Infectious Disease,

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Program Overview

New issues in brain biology, end of life options, high profile cases of brain death and chronic vegetative state, and new criteria for organ donation, have refocused public and medical attention on death and dying. At our conference, leading experts on health law, religious ethics, health policy, and end-of-life medical practice, will teach us about and explore these complex but singularly important challenges.

Objectives

1. Analyze current issues concerning criteria of death.
2. Identify the role of nurses and caregivers in death and dying.
3. Evaluate current legal and policy developments in death and dying.
4. Examine the contemporary issues related to the process and definition of death from clinical, legal, philosophical and health policy perspectives.
5. Recognize that death is a social, not a scientific or philosophical construct.

Target Audience

All healthcare professionals, especially members of bioethics committees, physicians, nurses, social workers, clergy, administrators, attorneys, and members of the public interested in bioethics issues.