



Developing and Enhancing Proficiencies for Ethics Consultation 2011

BENO is offering a year-long course to members of ethics committees and others who seek to gain basic knowledge and skills in ethics consultation. Participants will receive **13 hours of CE-accredited classroom** teaching, supplemented by readings and projects, and continued mentoring throughout the year by experienced ethics consultants.

The course focuses on developing a knowledge base and practical skills for hospital ethics consultation, including:

- Models of ethics consultation
- Core competencies for ethics consultation
- Applying ethical principles to case consultation
- Informed consent, decision-making capacity, surrogacy, and medical decision-making in the hospital
- Understanding “futility” and setting treatment limitations
- Frequent problems: end of life, neonatal issues, the “difficult” patient
- Handling medical errors
- Facilitating ethics consultations and family meetings
- Role of religion in decision-making
- Writing/revising ethics-related policies and gaining institutional support for ethics consultation

The first of the two classroom sessions will be held in Columbus, Ohio, on Saturday, October 22, 2011 (7 hours), and the second session will be in conjunction with the 2012 BENO Spring Conference (6 hours). Cost will be between \$475 - \$500 for the entire year-long course. You do not have to be a member of BENO to register.

Participants will be organized into small groups to be mentored throughout the year (Oct. 2011-2012) by experienced ethics consultants. Mentors will provide oversight and review of participants’ quarterly assigned readings and projects by telephone, e-mail, and possible in-person contacts.

Registration includes all course materials and readings.

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