



END OF LIFE CARE SYMPOSIUM

Introducing the Council of Europe's "Guide on the decision-making process regarding medical treatment in end-of-life situations"

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WELCOME AND OPENING (9.00-9.30): Ramon Prieto-Suarez and Prof. Dr. Yesim Isil Ulman

Plenary Session (9.30-10.30) Moderator: Prof. Dr. Yasemin Alanay

- Prof. Dr. Steven Miles MD: "End of Life Decisions: 2015 Evidence Based Update"
Q&A

COFFEE BREAK (10.30-11.00)

Session 1 (11.00-12.00) Moderator: Prof. Dr. Ergun Özsunay

- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Roberto Andorno: "End of life care from a human dignity and human rights perspective"
- Ramon Prieto Suarez : "Council of Europe's Guide on the the decision-making process regarding medical treatment in end-of-life situations"
Q&A

LUNCH BREAK (12.00-13.30)

Session 2 (13.30-14.30) Moderator: Ramon Prieto-Suarez

- Prof. Dr. Ergun Özsunay : "End of life decisions from legal perspective, substitute decision-making, continuing powers of attorney, advance directives for incapacity"
- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Tuğhan Utku: " Futurity in intensive care unit; dark side of the moon"
- Dr. med. Gerald Neitzke: "Ethics consultation in end of live decision making"
Q&A

COFFEE BREAK (14.30-15.00)

Session 3 (15.00-16.30) Moderator: Prof. Dr. İnci User

- Momen Kanjee, Deniz Yanık, Caner Yıldız: "Medical students' opinions concerning situations at the end of Life"
- Prof. Dr. Murat Civaner: "What do patient relatives think about end-of-life care at ICU's ?"
- Prof. Dr. Yesim Isil Ulman et al: "End of life care from the perspective of physicians"
Q&A

MEETING REPORT AND CLOSING SESSION: Moderator: Assoc. Prof. Dr. Roberto Andorno (16.30-17.00)

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AIMS AND SCOPE OF THE MEETING

The aims of this symposium are to introduce the printed Turkish version of the Guide to the allied academic, scientific, public circles, and to create an internationally collaborated scientific platform for discussing end-of-life situations from medical, clinical, bioethical, judicial, legal perspectives on one hand and for having a deeper insight into the issue through recent studies carried out in Turkey mainly based on the Council of Europe's afore-mentioned Guide.

The Guide on the decision-making process regarding medical treatment in end-of-life situations was drawn up by the Committee on Bioethics (DH-BIO) of the Council of Europe in the course of its work on patients rights and with the intention of facilitating the implementation of the principles enshrined in the Convention on Human Rights and Biomedicine (Oviedo Convention, ETS No. 164, 1997).

The purpose of this guide is to serve as a useful tool for informing the public and training professionals. It is aimed at health professionals, patients, their families and all those who face problematic decisions with regard to medical treatment in end-of-life situations, and provides help for the development of practices. The guide is also a source of material for any discussion held within our societies on the decision-making process regarding medical treatment in end-of-life situations in that it proposes benchmarks relating both to the practices and the principles that can be applied in this context (Council of Europe).

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