ERNEST F. KRUG III SYMPOSIUM ON BIOMEDICAL ETHICS

Keynote Speaker

Devan Stahl, PhD

The Disability Rights Critique of Physician Aid in Dying Legislation

There are currently five US states that have passed legislation allowing physicians to practice physician assisted death, and many more that are considering passing similar laws. These “death with dignity” or “end of life option” laws prevent physicians from being prosecuted for prescribing medications to hasten death to terminally ill patients. This practice, however, has created considerable controversy within the medical community and the public. Over the past three decades, disability rights advocates have provided clear and consistent opposition to the legalization of physician aid in dying (PAD), which many believe threatens the lives and wellbeing of persons with disabilities. This presentation will review the common objections to PAD from disability advocates and consider what they reveal about the systemic failings of our current health care system.

Wednesday, November 14

5:30-8:00 p.m.

Qazi Family Auditorium, Moceri Learning Center

Troy Beaumont Campus

We invite Beaumont and OUWB faculty and students to join us for Dr. Stahl’s presentation followed by discussion of some of the most challenging ethics cases related to caring for people with disabilities faced by the Beaumont Health Institutional Ethics Committee. Featured guests Dr. Ernest Krug, Dr. Paul Reitemeier, Dr. Joseph Anderson, and Dr. Jason Wasserman will present complex cases to facilitate discussion and allow physicians, professors, and medical students to explore difficult ethical boundaries together.

RSVP at https://tinyurl.com/Krug2018

Dinner provided!

Questions? Please contact Allison Low at low@oakland.edu