Expectations

Why are you here?

What do you hope to gain this morning?
Objectives

As a result of this presentation, participants will:

• Identify the four ethical principles as defined by Beauchamp and Childress that are often used in medical ethics

• Articulate the five Catholic Social Teachings and the benefit/burden analysis as found in the *Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services*

• Apply these principles and Catholic moral teachings to clinical and organizational scenarios
Standards / Competencies

302.41 / ITP4.1 Demonstrate an understanding of the *Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services*

305.4 / OL4 Promote, facilitate, and support ethical decision-making in one’s workplace

305.41 / OL4.1 Demonstrate skill in facilitating decision-making based on an understanding of culture/ethnicity, gender, race, age, educational background and theological values, religious heritage, behavioral sciences, networking, and systems thinking
“Typical” Ethics Consult
Chaplain’s Role in an Ethics Consult
Ethical Principles:
Beauchamp and Childress
Ethical Principles

• Patient autonomy
• Beneficence
• Non-maleficence
• Distributive justice

*Principles of Biomedical Ethics, 7th edition*, Tom L. Beauchamp and James F. Childress ©2012 Oxford University Press
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Benefit / Burden Analysis

• From the patient’s perspective (Directive 57)
• “... excessive burden or impose excessive expense on the family or the community.”

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Sharing
“I’ve been getting annoying pangs of conscience when faced with ethical dilemmas. Got anything for that?”

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