

ETHICS CLASSES

Syllabus
(25 hours)

FIRST PROF - 4 hours

1. Introduction To Medical Ethics

- 2 hours

- 1.1. What Is Ethics, Definition & Principles?
- 1.2. Values & Norms?
- 1.3. Heteronomous Ethics & Autonomous Ethics
- 1.4. Freedom & Personal Responsibility.

2. Perspective of. Medical Ethics

- 1 hour

- 2.1. The Hippocratic Oath
- 2.2. MCI Code of Ethics (2002)
- 2.3. WHO Declaration of Geneva
- 2.4. International Code of Medical Ethics (1993)
- 2.5. Declaration of Helsinki

3. Spirituality & Medicine

- 1 hour

- 3.1. Stress management
Meditation, Yoga, Music, etc.
- 3.2. Medical Mission
 - 3.2.1. Meaning of mission
 - 3.2.2. Responsibilities of a doctor in secondary and peripheral hospitals.

SECOND PROF - 7 hours

4. Ethics Of The Individual

- 4 hours

- 4.1. The Patient As A Person
- 4.2. Truth And Confidentiality
- 4.3. Autonomy Of Decision
- 4.4. Physician Patients Relationship
 - 4.4.1. Respecting patients' privacy
 - 4.4.2. Disclosure of information
 - 4.4.3. Aware of the need to respect the rights of the patient as also duties & responsibilities of the doctors

- 4.5. Organ Donation
 - 4.5.1. Transplants from live or cadaver donors
 - 4.5.2. Indian Transplantation of Human Organs Act 1994
- 4.6. Concept Of Disease, Health & Healing

5. Ethics Of Human Life - 2 hours

- 5.1. What Is Human Life
- 5.2. Criteria For Distinguishing The Human & the Non-Human
- 5.3. Respect - Treatment Of Patient, Family Members
- 5.4. Empathy & Anger Management (1 hour)

6. Family & Society In Medical Ethics - 1 hour

- 6.1. Ethics Of Human Sexuality
- 6.2. Death & Dying Awareness
- 6.3. Suicide - Ethical Outlook, The Right To Die With Dignity

THIRD PROF (PART I) - 4 hours

7. Ethics Of Human Life - 1 hour

- 7.1. Prenatal Sex Determination
- 7.2. Conception, Contraception
- 7.3. Abortion

8. Family & Society In Medical Ethics - 1 hour

- 8.1. Family Planning Perspective
- 8.2. Euthanasia - Passive And Active
- 8.3. Cancer & Terminal Care

9. Professional Ethics - 2 hours

- 9.1. Code Of Conduct
 - 9.1.1. Moral values, norms, attitude, and commitment – essential attributes
 - 9.1.2. Core humanistic values like empathy, integrity, altruism and trustworthiness.
 - 9.1.3. Adhering to ethical and moral Qualities such as compassion, knowledge, noble tradition of doctors, obligation to society and respect to humanity has to be discussed.
- 9.2. Contract And Confidentiality
 - 9.2.1. Respect confidentiality of patient
 - 9.2.2. Communication – Importance of explaining before all procedures

- 9.3. Charging Of Fees And Fee-Splitting
 - 9.3.1. Rationalization of fees
 - 9.3.2. Commission of quacks/referring persons
- 9.4. Prescription Of Drugs
 - 9.4.1. Who can write prescription
 - 9.4.2. Prescription drugs (Schedule 'H')
- 9.5. Over Investigating The Patient
 - 9.5.1. Rational and cost effective investigations only
 - 9.5.2. Discuss with patient-affordability
- 9.6. Low Cost Drugs, Vitamins And Tonics
 - 9.6.1. Brand name-selection based on price
 - 9.6.2. Use of generic drugs
 - 9.6.3. Misuse of vitamins/tonics
- 9.7. Malpractice And Negligence
 - 9.7.1. What amounts to negligence by a doctor
 - 9.7.2. Acceptance of gifts from medical representatives
 - 9.7.3. Professionalism and Doctor's own financial security

THIRD PROF (PART II) - 5 hours

10. Ethics Of Human Life

- 1 hour

- 10.1. Self Esteem
- 10.2. Handling Conflict

11. Medical Research Ethics

- 2 hours

- 11.1. Need For Research, Potentials For A Doctor, Pioneering in a Specialized Field
 - 11.1.1. Various reasons to conduct medical research
 - 11.1.2. Role of a doctor in research
 - 11.1.3. How to choose research area
- 11.2. Animal & Experimental Research - Humanness
 - 11.2.1. Use of Anesthesia/Euthanasia - guidelines
 - 11.2.2. Committee for the Purpose of Control and Supervision of Experiments on Animals (CPCSEA), Chennai.
 - 11.2.3. Institutional Animal Ethics (IAEC)
- 11.3. Human Experimentation
 - 11.3.1. Ethical guidelines for human research - ICMR
 - 11.3.2. Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC)

- 11.4. Human Volunteer Research - Informed Consent Drug Trials
 - 11.4.1. Parts of informed consent process-Patient Information Sheet, Consent Form
 - 11.4.2. Who can give consent
 - 11.4.3. Waiver of consent
- 11.5. Phases of clinical drug trials
- 11.6. Drug trials-Schedule "Y" of the Drugs & Cosmetic Act (2005)
- 11.7. Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI)-trial guidelines

12. Professional Relationship

- 2 hours

- 12.1. Importance of Professional Relationships
 - 12.1.1. Awareness & knowledge of value dimensions of interaction with the patients, colleagues, relations and public.
 - 12.1.2. Development of skills of analysis, decision making & judgment.
 - 12.1.3. Responsibilities - to patients, to senior doctors, etc.
- 12.2. Legal Implications
- 12.3. Legal Laws, Liabilities under Tort Law, Criminal Law, etc.
- 12.4. Consumer Protection Act

13. Clinical Ethics (Internship)

- 5 hours

- 13.1. How To Identify & Resolve The Particular Problem - Case Studies
- 13.2. Awareness & Knowledge Of Value Dimensions Of Interactions With The Patients, Colleagues, Relations And Public - Interpersonal Relationship
- 13.3. Development Of Skills Of Analysis, Decision Making And Judgment
- 13.4. Awareness of the Need to Respect the Rights of the Patient
- 13.5. Duties and Responsibilities Of The Doctor

The classes will include theoretical, interactive discussions, case studies and role plays.