John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre
Annual Report
1 April 2011 – 31 March 2012
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Welcome to the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre’s (JDHEC) Annual Report for the reporting period of 1 April 2011 – 31 March 2012. The past year was a period of growth and change. In this document we will outline many accomplishments and continuation of established events over the year.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS in 2011-2012

1. **Directorship:** When Paul Byrne began his current tenure as Interim Director in the Fall 2010 he highlighted the priorities of the JDHEC to be clinical ethics service and consultation, ethics education, and a need to improve academic scholarship and research activity. This resurgence of priorities for the JDHEC was to continue into 2011-2012.

2. **Growth:** The JDHEC grew substantially from a base of 0 to 18 Adjunct Members over 2011-2012. The individuals appointed to JDHEC have the expertise and interest to undertake one or more of the JDHEC activities; ethics consultation, community service, teaching, administration and research in health ethics. For example, Adjunct Members have submitted more articles to *Health Ethics Today* (*HET*) resulting in three issues being published in 2012. This newsletter is an important education tool, which is distributed to all physicians across Alberta. Secondly, the 2011 – 2012 JDHEC Health Ethics Seminars have been presented and are supported by the new Adjunct Member base.

3. **Education:** Significant ethics teaching commitments were undertaken by Core Faculty (Brendan Leier, Paul Byrne and Wendy Austin) and Adjunct Members of the JDHEC in the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry (FoMD) and across many faculties at the University of Alberta. This teaching includes INT D 570 – *Healthcare Ethics*, undergraduate medical student teaching and resident teaching throughout the various medical, surgical and family practice programs. The new JDHEC Adjunct Members have also been directly involved in undergraduate ethics education within the FoMD curriculum and have participated in teaching sessions with Pamela Brett-MacLean.

Graduate students from FoMD and other faculties, and occasionally out-of-province students are regularly supervised for ethics electives at JDHEC, on site at the Royal Alexandra Hospital (RAH) or University of Alberta Hospital (UAH). This teaching is directly related to ethics content requirements for accreditation in the FoMD. In addition, the annual Health Ethics Seminars Series at the University of Alberta (U of A) and Grand Rounds at UAH are teleconferenced through Telehealth widely across the province. The RAH ethics service, under the direction of the Clinical Ethicist and JDHEC Adjunct Member
(Gary Goldsand) also has a full schedule of ethics education, including RAH Grand Rounds and RAH Lunchtime Ethics Series.

4. Over 2011-2012 the JDHEC continued to host biweekly *Academic Days*, an academic forum for clinical ethicists, health care professionals, scholars, residents and students to review and discuss scholarly articles and research in the area of health ethics.

5. **Website:** The JDHEC website is a very useful communication tool both within and beyond the university and hospital communities. The website has assumed increasing importance in publicizing the activity and services available at JDHEC to the academic and clinical communities as well as the broader public and media. In the Fall of 2011 the JDHEC Administrator (Carol Nahorniak) began an overhaul of the website with the assistance of University of Alberta Marketing and Communications – Marketing Services. This undertaking was completed and launched in June 2012. The site’s url address is http://www.bioethics.ualberta.ca and is hosted by the University of Alberta. It features an updated design that offers easier navigation and provides up to date information about JDHEC and other important ethics resources. In addition to maintaining all of the features of the old website, the new website incorporates social media components, such as Twitter and Facebook.

**ESTABLISHED EVENTS**

**Community Engagement and Education:** With the support and the dedication of our Faculty, Staff, Adjunct Members, Students and Colleagues, highlights and achievements that occurred during 2011-2012 fiscal year are:

- **Hosting** a successful *Health Ethics Symposium* on *Compassion and Care* in June 2011.
- **Organizing** and **hosting** a very successful *Health Ethics Seminar Series*, comprised of 7 seminars during the academic calendar.
- **Publishing** *Health Ethics Today*, Volume 19(1).
- **Collaborating** with the Provincial Health Ethics Network and Alberta Health Services (AHS) for *Health Ethics Week* presentations at the University of Alberta and University of Calgary.
- **Hosting** biweekly *Academic Days*, an academic forum for clinical ethicists, health care professionals, scholars, residents and students to meet and discuss scholarly articles and research in the area of health ethics.
- Organizing and hosting Grand Rounds in collaboration with the Clinical Ethicist and Clinical Ethics Committee for the University of Alberta and Stollery Children’s Hospitals, and Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute.

- Providing administrative support for the Clinical Ethics Committee of the University of Alberta Hospital, Stollery Children’s Hospital and Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute.

- All academic staff associated with the Dossetor Centre are committed to addressing and promoting health care ethics. Their many accomplishments and contributions in health ethics teaching, research and community engagement are reported in the 2011-2012 Annual Report.

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**FACULTY**

**PAUL BYRNE**
Paul Byrne, MB, ChB, FRCPC, is a staff neonatologist at the Stollery Children’s Hospital, Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU), and Clinical Professor in the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Alberta. Paul is currently serving as Interim Director of the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre. Paul’s work in NICU consists of clinical service and teaching residents, nurses and medical students. Paul is involved in research projects on ethical decision making in perinatal medicine. In addition, he is an expert consultant for the health ethics consultation services at University of Alberta and Stollery Children’s Hospitals and the Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute. He also teaches health ethics to a wide variety of health care professionals and lay groups.

**WENDY AUSTIN**
Wendy Austin, RN, PhD, is a Professor with the Faculty of Nursing and the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre at the University of Alberta. She holds a Canada Research Chair in Relational Ethics in Health Care. Her research is interdisciplinary in nature and encompasses exploring relational ethics issues in health care, developing a relational ethics perspective on research ethics, and identifying ways to better prepare healthcare practitioners and researchers for ethical action. Current projects include a CIHR-funded project on the moral distress of PICU Teams and a SSHRC-funded study of compassion fatigue. Wendy has served as a member of the Canadian Nurses Association’s Ethics Committee, the Board of the International Academy of Law and Mental Health, and currently serves as an International Board Member of the Canadian Unit of the International Network of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics. A founding Co-Director of the University of Alberta’s PAHO/WHO Collaborating Centre in Nursing and Mental Health, Wendy has been an advisor in mental health to the International Council of Nurses and is a former president of the Canadian Federation of Mental Health Nurses.

**BRENDAN LEIER**
Brendan Leier earned his PhD from the Department of Philosophy, University of Alberta in 2002. He is currently the Clinical Ethicist at the University of Alberta and Stollery Children’s Hospitals & Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute, and Clinical Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Alberta. Brendan is presently doing research in collaboration with Paul Byrne and Wendy Austin on the topics of pediatric best interest, moral distress, end-of-life decision-making, transplant ethics, compassion in the practice of medicine, risk and decision-making.
LAURA SHANNER
Laura Shanner, PhD, Associate Professor with the School of Public Health and Associate Adjunct Professor of Health Ethics at the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre, University of Alberta. Laura’s primary interests include ethical issues in reproduction and genetics, public health ethics, gender issues in health, and ethical assessment of health policy and law. Currently a board member of the Alberta Public Health Association, a member of the Alberta Provincial Advisory Committee on Tobacco, and a member of the Stem Cell Advisory Committee for the Canadian Institutes for Health Research, she has also served as an expert consultant to multiple Health Canada policy development committees and the Canadian Biotechnology Advisory Committee. Laura is a former co-chair of the International Network for Feminist Approaches to Bioethics, a former board member of Friends of Medicare (Alberta), and has worked in the U.K., Australia and the U.S. as well as Canada. Before coming to Alberta, Laura held the I’Anson Assistant Professorship in Interdisciplinary Studies (Bioethics) at the University of Toronto, and has taught bioethics at the Johns Hopkins University and Georgetown University. She earned her PhD in Philosophy-Bioethics from Georgetown University and the Kennedy Institute for Ethics (1994), following undergraduate training in electron microscopy and pre-clinical health sciences at Knox College (Illinois, 1986). Her publications have spanned books and journals in philosophy, women’s studies, law, comparative theology, and experimental sciences.

DICK SOBSEY
Dick Sobsey, EdD, is a Professor Emeritus of Educational Psychology and the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre at the University of Alberta. Dick has worked to improve health care, educational opportunities and social conditions for people with disabilities and their families since 1968. He is particularly interested in human rights and violence prevention. His current research areas include positive changes in families of children with disabilities, long-term outcomes for babies born to mothers who experience severe trauma during pregnancy, crimes against people with developmental disabilities, and historical research on eugenic family studies.

STAFF

STACY CABRAL
Stacy Cabral, BA, is the Information Officer for the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre.

CAROL NAHORNIAK
Carol Nahorniak, BSc, is the Administrator for the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre. Carol manages the Dossetor Centre’s operations, business and overall community outreach marketing. She is responsible for the Centre’s financial, administrative, and human resource management. Carol is Assistant Editor for the newsletter, Health Ethics Today, responsible for the Centre’s website creation and management, coordination of the annual Health Ethics Seminar series, and planning and organizing symposia and workshops.
### ADJUNCT MEMBERS

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<td>Tracey Bailey, BA, LLB, is Executive Director for the Health Law Institute in the Faculty of Law and Associate Adjunct Professor with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre at the University of Alberta. She is also a sessional lecturer in the Faculty of Law where she teaches Contemporary Issues in Health Law. Tracey graduated from that Faculty of Law in 1991 and went on to practice for a number of years with the firm now known as Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP in the area of health law. In 2001, she joined the Health Law Institute in the Faculty of Law and served as its Executive Director from 2003 through to 2012. Tracey has been a sought-after speaker in the area of health law and policy. She is often interviewed by the media, and has delivered numerous talks at conferences. She has also taught in a number of health professional faculties at the University of Alberta, and has provided outreach education to health care and legal professionals, and members of the public. She has also been involved in the organization of numerous workshops and conferences. Other activities have included research, both contract and grant funded, to assist agencies in policy making. She is an editor of and contributor to Public Health Law &amp; Policy in Canada, the first Canadian text on public health and the law, and has authored numerous other articles and reports. She was the co-editor of the peer-reviewed Health Law Journal, as well as the Health Law Review.</td>
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<th>PETER BRINDLEY</th>
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<td>Peter Brindley, MD, FRCP, FRCP (Edin), is, first and foremost, a full-time Critical Care Physician. He works at the University of Alberta Hospital in both the General Systems Intensive Care Unit and its Neuro Sciences Intensive Care Unit. Academically, Peter is an Associate Professor with the Division of Critical Care Medicine and Associate Adjunct Professor with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre, University of Alberta. His interests and publications centre on various aspects of resuscitation, including the importance of crisis management and human factors, the use of simulation, and practical insights that improve teamwork during acute care. Peter is a founding member of the Canadian Resuscitation Institute and its vice-chair. He is former Medical Lead for Simulation for Alberta Health Services which he helped expand into one of the country's largest. Peter is also a prior Residency Program Director and a prior advisor to the Canadian Patient Safety Institute. Peter's greatest achievement remains two gorgeous little kids, in whom he delights.</td>
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<td>Dawn Davies, MD, FRCP, MA, first career was pediatric nursing. Dawn received her MD from McMaster University in 1993, and completed her pediatric residency at the University of Alberta in 1997. She was awarded a McEachern Fellowship from the Canadian Cancer Society in 1998 to pursue additional training in palliative care. Since her return to University of Alberta in 1999, she has been Medical Director of the Pediatric Palliative Care Program. Dawn received her MA in Health Ethics and Law from the University of Manchester (UK) in 2011. She is currently an Associate Professor in the Department of Pediatrics and Associate Adjunct Professor with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre, University of Alberta. Her interests in health ethics include medical-decision making for children and resource allocation.</td>
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CHARL ELS
Charl Els, MBChB, FCPsych, MMedPsych (cum laude), ABAM, MROCC, is a psychiatrist, addiction specialist, and a medical review officer (MRO). Charl qualified as a physician in South Africa and completed post-graduate training in Psychiatry (cum laude), in South Africa, and completed two fellowships in Addiction Medicine and Addiction Psychiatry at the University of Toronto and the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health. Charl is a Diplomate of the American Board of Addiction Medicine and a consultant at the LifeMark Health Institute in Edmonton. Since 1999 he has regularly acted in the capacity of clinical service delivery, research, teaching, policy work, volunteering and has provided testimony before the Court of Queens Bench (for both the Crown and for defendants), the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta, the College and Association of Registered Nurses of Alberta, Alberta Justice, the Canadian Medical Protective Association, as well as Human Rights Tribunals.

Charl is an Associate Clinical Professor at the University of Alberta's School of Public Health, the Department of Psychiatry, as well as the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre. He is the past-president of the Addiction Section of the Canadian Psychiatric Association, the Addiction Section of the Alberta Medical Association, Alberta Director of Physicians for a Smoke-Free Canada, and completed a term on the Board of the Canadian Society of Addiction Medicine. Charl sits on the national executive committee for the development of Canadian Practice Guidelines for tobacco addiction treatment. Charl has repeatedly represented the AMA on Inter-Ministerial level and is the principal investigator on several studies. He has authored journal publications and chapters in textbooks, and has presented his academic work in many countries in the last few years.

GARY GOLDSAND
Gary Goldsand, MA, is a Clinical Ethicist with Alberta Health Services based at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, and an Assistant Clinical Professor in the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry and the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre.

HEIDI JANZ
Heidi Janz, PhD, specializes in the field of Disability Ethics, and has been affiliated with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre since 2006. Heidi is currently an Assistant Adjunct Professor with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre, and the Curriculum Coordinator for an emerging Certificate Program in Disability Ethics in the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine at the University of Alberta. In her “other life,” Heidi is a writer and playwright. In 2004, she self-published Sparrows on Wheels, a novel for young adults. Her list of produced plays includes: Crips Against the Law of Gravity, produced in the 1994 Edmonton Fringe Theatre Festival, Returned to Sender, produced by Concrete Theatre in 1997 and by Lone Sparrow Productions for the Edmonton Fringe in the summer of 2001, and Voices at Dying, Dying to be Heard, produced in 2006 for the 16th International Congress on the Care of the Terminally Ill, Montreal, Quebec. Her latest play, The Book of Jobes, was produced by Lone Sparrow Productions and Kompany Family Theatre for the 2011 Edmonton Fringe Theatre Festival. An expanded, two-act version of The Book of Jobes is scheduled for production in Edmonton and Calgary in February of 2013.

ARI JOFFE
Ari Joffe, MD, Associate Clinical Professor with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre

DORIS KIESER
Doris Kieser, PhD, is Assistant Professor of Theology at St. Joseph's College, the Catholic College, and Assistant Adjunct Professor with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre at the University of Alberta. Doris has been teaching ethics and theology for over 15 years, most frequently in the areas of bioethics and sexuality. She is also a psychological counsellor who maintains a small practice in Edmonton, working primarily with adolescent girls and women. Her research and writing includes elements of both theology and psychology, particularly the unique features of adolescent development, moral decision-making, and human flourishing. All of her work reflects a particular commitment to social
justice and the wellbeing of females.

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<td>Diane Kunyk, RN, PhD, is an Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Nursing and Assistant Adjunct Professor with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre at the University of Alberta. Diane is interested in ethics, particularly relational ethics, as it informs health policy relating to addiction and mental illness. Her current research areas include healthcare professionals with addiction and incorporating addiction treatment into primary care settings. Diane’s clinical expertise is in community and public health nursing.</td>
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<td>Kim Lützén, RN, RNT, PhD, is a Senior Professor at the Karolinska Institutet, Sweden, Adjunct Professor at Malmö University, Sweden and Assistant Adjunct Professor with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre. Kim is interested in health care professional's moral stress, mental illness, and moral resilience.</td>
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<th>AUSTIN MARDON</th>
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<td>Austin Mardon, PhD, CM, graduated with a major in geography from the University of Lethbridge in 1985. The following year, at age 24, he was investigating meteorite impacts 170 km from the South Pole as a junior field member on an Antarctic meteorite recovery expedition sponsored by NASA and the National Science Federation. He received the U.S. Antarctic Service Medal for his work. However, the extreme hardships of the expedition affected him mentally and physically. While he went on to earn masters degrees in science (South Dakota State University) and education (Texas A&amp;M University) and published a number of articles and books, his health issues persisted. At the age of 30 he was diagnosed with schizophrenia. Although some of his abilities are compromised by the disease, Austin earned a PhD in geography from Greenwich University, Australia and continued his remarkable publication record, including articles in both Science and Nature. Equally impressive has been his work on behalf of the mentally ill. In addition to giving countless interviews to the media on the topic of mental illness, Austin has published articles about faith and schizophrenia, homelessness, medication, and income support. He has provided leadership as a member of the board of directors of both the Edmonton and Alberta chapters of the Schizophrenia Society, and for a number of years he was coordinator of the Alberta Mental Health Self-Help Network. Austin has received a number of awards, including the Order of Canada (2007). Austin is currently Assistant Adjunct Professor with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre.</td>
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<td>Victoria Seavilleklein, PhD, is a Clinical Ethicist in Alberta Health Services’ Central Zone and a Clinical Lecturer with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre. Prior to working with AHS, she was the Ethicist &amp; Policy Director with the Provincial Health Ethics Network. Victoria holds a PhD in Philosophy, specializing in Bioethics, from Dalhousie University, an MA in Philosophy (Ethics) from the University of Calgary, and a BA in Philosophy from the University of Victoria. She completed a clinical practicum in multiple health centres in Halifax, Nova Scotia, a doctoral fellowship in Ethics of Health Research and Policy through the Canadian Institute of Health Research, and a post-doctoral fellowship in Clinical and Organizational Ethics at the Joint Centre for Bioethics at the University of Toronto.</td>
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Her work in research ethics includes drafting the ethics framework for the 2nd edition of the Canadian Tri-Council Policy Statement on the Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans and developing common consent form templates for the Harmonization initiative of the Alberta Research Ethics Boards. Victoria is currently a member of the Research Ethics Review Committee of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta and the elected Western representative on the Board of the Canadian Bioethics Society.

DEREK SELLMAN
Derek Sellman, RN, PhD, is Associate Professor and Director of the unit for Philosophical Nursing Research in the Faculty of Nursing, and Associate Adjunct Professor, John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre, University of Alberta. Derek has an interest in virtue ethics as a base for ethical practice with an emphasis on the moral education of nurses. He also has a particular interest in ethical issues related to the care of older people and related to working interprofessionally in health care. Derek is currently editor of the journal, Nursing Philosophy.

ELEANOR STEWART
Eleanor Stewart, PhD, is Assistant Adjunct Professor with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre.

DEREK TRUSCOTT
Derek Truscott, PhD, is an Associate Professor of Counselling Psychology in the Department of Educational Psychology and Associate Adjunct Professor with the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre at the University of Alberta. He has practiced in hospital, community, group home, rehabilitation, and private settings. Derek is the author of Becoming an Effective Psychotherapist (American Psychological Association, 2010) and co-author (with Ken Crook) of Ethics and Law for Teachers (Thomson Nelson, 2007) and Ethics for the Practice of Psychology in Canada (UofA Press, 2004). He has served in numerous regulatory capacities for the College of Alberta Psychologists, Canadian Psychological Association, and at the UofA. Derek takes pride in striving to be a good (that is, ethical and effective) psychologist and inspiring others to do likewise. Additional information at www.DerekTruscott.com.

ERIC WASYLENKO
Eric Wasylenko, MD, BSc, is a palliative care physician and Medical Director, Clinical Ethics, Alberta Health Services. Eric is a practicing ethicist with primary interests in issues of end of life, disaster management, public health and resource allocation/priority setting. He is currently completing a Masters in Health Science (Bioethics) from University of Toronto and the Joint Centre for Bioethics (completion spring, 2012).

Eric is assisting in the provincial roll-out of the Goals of Care Designation/Advance Care Planning mechanism, after co-leading this initiative in the Calgary Zone. He teaches extensively, and has held numerous leadership roles in health care organizations. He currently sits on a number of provincial committees for AHS, the AMA and AHW, as well as the Ethics Advisory Committee of the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada. Eric holds appointments as Clinical Lecturer in the Faculty of Medicine, Department of Oncology, Division of Palliative Medicine, University of Calgary, and Clinical Lecturer, John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre.
STUDENTS

| KATHERINE DUTHIE |
| MICHAEL VAN MANEN |

CORE ACTIVITIES

The JDHEC is the only interdisciplinary, academic health ethics centre in Alberta and one of the first in Canada. The JDHEC is involved in health ethics education, research and community engagement at the University of Alberta. Since its beginnings the JDHEC has provided scholarly excellence in health care ethics research, education and community service to scholars, students, health care practitioners, clinical ethics committee members, health care administrators, patients and their families, media and the general public.

The JDHEC makes important contributions to health ethics research on a broad spectrum of ethical, moral and human-rights issues. One of the JDHEC’s outstanding achievements is community engagement which is accomplished by annually hosting the health ethics seminar series, symposium, workshops, grand rounds and publishing the newsletter, *Health Ethics Today*. Faculty members are also involved in health policy consultation. The JDHEC has a partnership with AHS by providing support to the Clinical Ethicist and Clinical Ethics Committee for the University of Alberta Hospital, the Stollery Children’s Hospital and the Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute.

Graduate courses taught in the 2011-2012 calendar year were **INT D 570 (Health Care Ethics)** and **PHS 643 (Ethics in Health Care Organizations)**.

Co-instruction of all **undergraduate ethics and law curricular requirements** for medical students in years 1-4 at the University of Alberta.

Instructional **academic half-days** (12 to 20 per year) that amount to all medical sub-specialty ethics teaching. These days are directly related to ethics content requirements for accreditation in the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry.

Mentoring undergraduate and graduate physicians in several ethics electives.

Hosting **Academic Days**, a forum for clinical ethicists, health care professionals, scholars, residents and students.
Service takes place as:

- Clinical ethics consultation
- Administrative support for UAH Ethics Committee
- *Health Ethics Today* (newsletter)
- Health Ethics Seminar Series
- Health Ethics Week
- Health Ethics Symposium
- Clinical Ethics Grand Rounds
- Media requests
- Participation/Membership on
  - Ethics Committees with Alberta Health Services
  - International Academy of Law and Mental Health
- Providing Health Policy Consultation in Assisted Reproduction, CACL Task Force, CHA Home Care, Disclosure, End of Life, Stem Cell, Organizational Ethics, Pandemic and UNICEF

The JDHEC's faculty, adjunct members and students continued to perform interdisciplinary research and investigated health ethics research in areas such as clinical practice, compassion, compassion fatigue, disability ethics, end of life care, gender issues, health policy, human rights, informed consent, mental health, moral distress, neonatology-perinatology, public health, relational ethics, reproduction, and transplant ethics.

**AWARDS**

**Austin Mardon**

Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws by the University of Alberta – At the University of Alberta's 2011 spring convocation ceremonies, Austin Mardon received an honorary doctor of laws degree for his work as an inspiring advocate for the mentally ill. Austin has worked tirelessly to eliminate the stigma associated with psychiatric disorders.

Canadian Medical Association awarded Medal of Honour to Austin Mardon – On August 16, 2011 the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) presented the 2011 CMA Medal of Honour to Austin Mardon who has demonstrated outstanding public commitment to raising awareness of mental health issues and diminishing the stigma and discrimination faced by Canadians living with mental illness.
BUDGET

When JDHEC was incorporated into FoMD in 2010, JDHEC lost considerable financial support. On an annual basis the following funding was lost: $55,000 operating funds from the Health Sciences Council; $23,130 for salary and non-salary items, and ~$30,000 - $40,000 contract support for the Interim Director (Paul Byrne) from FoMD. The JDHEC continued to operate and excel under these difficult fiscal constraints by relying on the positive flex allocation in its operating budget.

OPERATING BUDGET 2011-2012

REVENUE

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SUB TOTAL $116,661.87

BALANCE FORWARD (positive flex) $86,007.00

TOTAL REVENUE $202,668.87

EXPENDITURES

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TOTAL EXPENDITURES $158,905.92
RESEARCH FUNDING

Wendy Austin


Peter Brindley


Dawn Davies

Department of Pediatrics, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Alberta – Seed Funding Grant – Delivering Neonatal Palliative Care: A focus group study of neonatal physicians, nurses and obstetricians – $2,715. (2011). Principal Investigator: V. Kumaran, Co-Investigator: Dawn Davies.

Charl Els


Alberta Cancer Legacy Fund, Alberta Health Services – Increasing Albertans’ Access to Medical Care for Tobacco Addiction: Developing and Implementing a Shared Care Model to Integrate evidence-based Treatment into Primary Care Physicians’ Daily Practice. – $1,000 000. (2010-2012). Principal Investigator: Charl Els, Co-Investigator: Diane Kunyk.

Ari Joffe

Alberta Society of Infectious Diseases (ASID) – Student Summer Research Grant: The quality and animal welfare reporting in animal experiments in Critical Care journals. (2012). Student: Meredith Bara.

Diane Kunyk

Alberta Cancer Legacy Fund, Alberta Health Services – Increasing Albertans’ Access to Medical Care for Tobacco Addiction: Developing and Implementing a Shared Care Model to Integrate evidence-based Treatment into Primary Care Physicians’ Daily Practice. – 1,000 000. (2010-2012). Principal Investigator: Charl Els, Co-Investigator: Diane Kunyk.

Laura Shanner


Dick Sobsey

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) – Community-University Research Alliance Program – Living Archives on Eugenics in Western Canada – $1,000,000. (2010-2015). Principal Investigator: Rob Wilson, University of Alberta, Co-Investigator: Dick Sobsey.


Michael van Manen


PRESENTATIONS

Health Ethics Symposium

The JDHEC hosted a health ethics symposium on Compassion and Care in June 2011.
**Health Ethics Seminar Series**

Each academic year, the JDHEC invites speakers to present in its Health Ethics Seminar series. The seminar series is open to scholars, students, health care practitioners, clinical ethics committee members, health care administrators, patients and their families, media and the general public. Most of these seminars are teleconferenced to health care facilities across Alberta. In 2011-2012 we were pleased to host the following seminars:

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**Health Ethics Week 2012**

Annually the JDHEC collaborates with the Provincial Health Ethics Network and Alberta Health Services (AHS) for Health Ethics Week, an annual provincial initiative that “addresses ethical issues related to health and well-being”. The theme for 2011-2012 was *Navigating Moral Uncertainty*. The following presentations took place for Health Ethics Week 2012:

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<td>Ethical Considerations in the Determination of Criteria for Pediatric Organ Transplantation</td>
<td>Anna Zadunayski, Clinical Ethicist, AHS &amp; Brendan Leier, PhD, Clinical Ethicist, University of Alberta and Stollery Children’s Hospitals &amp; Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute, Clinical Assistant Professor, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry</td>
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<td>Addictions &amp; Mental Health - Suicide in the Face of Chronic Suffering - Panel Discussion</td>
<td>Catherine Davis, Provincial Suicide Prevention Coordinator AHS &amp; Dr. Jodie Oosman, Community Psychiatrist &amp; Dr. Michael Trew, Senior Medical Director Addictions &amp; Mental Health AHS &amp; Dr. Eric Wasylenko, Medical Director Clinical Ethics AHS and Clinical Lecturer, JDHEC</td>
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Clinical Ethics Grand Rounds

Each year the JDHEC hosts Grand Rounds in collaboration with the Clinical Ethics Committee for the University of Alberta Hospital, Stollery Children’s Hospital and Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute. The presentations are usually given by Dr. Brendan Leier, Clinical Ethicist and Assistant Clinical Professor, JDHEC. These seminars are teleconferenced to health care facilities across Alberta.

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| 16 December 2011 | “Killing the Cyborg: Ethics and the Withdrawal of Life-Saving Treatment” | Brendan Leier, PhD  
Clinical Ethicist, University of Alberta and Stollery Children’s Hospitals & Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute,  
Clinical Assistant Professor, JDHEC                                                                                     |
| 27 January 2012  | “Ethics and Life-Sustaining Therapy – Weighing Benefit and Burden: Ventricular Assist Devices” | Cheryl Mack, BSc, MD, FRCP (C), MA  
Department of Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine,  
Chair, Clinical Ethics Committee, Stollery Children’s Hospital,  
University of Alberta Hospital, Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute,  
Assistant Clinical Professor, JDHEC  
&  
Brendan Leier, PhD  
Clinical Ethicist, University of Alberta and Stollery Children’s Hospitals & Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute,  
Clinical Assistant Professor, JDHEC                                                                                  |

Faculty Presentations

Wendy Austin:

7 June 2011

*Compassion Fatigue: The Experience of Canadian Healthcare Professionals – Panel Discussion*

“Compassion and Care”, JDHEC Health Ethics Symposium  
University of Alberta

28-29 October 2011 (Invited)

*To Care is to Connect: The Ethics of Relationality in Contemporary Nursing*

Canadian Nursing Students’ Association Western Prairie Regional Conference: “Bridging the Gap: Connecting the Community”  
Edmonton, Alberta

Paul Byrne:

7 June 2011

*Compassion? - give me the cure doc!*

“Compassion and Care”, JDHEC Health Ethics Symposium  
University of Alberta
### Brendan Leier:

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<td><strong>2011</strong> Crisis Management PEARLS in Transport Medicine</td>
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<td>(Key-Note Speaker) Crisis Management in Trauma: it's a S.T.A.R.T</td>
<td>University of Alberta Hospital Edmonton, Alberta</td>
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<td>(Visiting Professor, Critical Care Medicine) Pro-con debate. Do Rapid Response Systems dumb down floor staff</td>
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***March 2012 (Key Presentation)***

**Addiction: Prevention and Intervention**

Alberta Justice Educational Association

Banff, Alberta

***March 2012 (Plenary Speaker)***

**Tobacco Addiction in Persons with Mental Illness**

Israeli Medical Association

Eilat, Israel

### Gary Goldsand:

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***8 December 2011***

**Religion, Ethics and Culture 2**

RAH Ethics Lunchtime Series

Royal Alexandra Hospital

Edmonton, Alberta

***9 February 2012***

**Religion, Ethics and Culture 3**

RAH Ethics Lunchtime Series

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## Student Presentations

### Katherine Duthie:

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### June 2011 (with K. Bond)

**Stranger in a strange (but important) land: opportunities and challenges for ethicists in health technology assessment**

Canadian Bioethics Society Annual Conference  
Saint John, New Brunswick

### 6 October 2011 (Invited Speaker)

**When Patients Say NO: Caring for Patients Who Refuse Treatment(s)**

RAH Ethics Lunchtime Series  
Royal Alexandra Hospital  
Edmonton, Alberta

### 26 November 2011 (Invited Speaker)

**Ethical Considerations in Prescribing Biologics**

National Rheumatology Residents Weekend  
Ottawa, Ontario

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### 12 January 2012 (Invited Speaker)

**Ethical issues in Social Work: Looking After the Patient who Keeps Coming Back**

RAH Ethics Lunchtime Series  
Royal Alexandra Hospital  
Edmonton, Alberta

### Michael van Manen:

**9 March 2012 (Invited Speaker)**

**Ethics and Technology: Technics of Touch in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit**

JDHEC Health Ethics Seminar Series  
University of Alberta  
&  
“Navigating Moral Uncertainty” Health Ethics Week  
2012
PUBLICATIONS

John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre:

Health Ethics Today, 2011, Volume 19(1)

The newsletter, *Health Ethics Today*, has a circulation of approximately 9,000, which includes distribution to all physicians and surgeons across Alberta, health care professionals, scholars, students, members of the Canadian Bioethics Society, Provincial Health Ethics Network and friends of JDHEC. *Health Ethics Today* is posted on the Dossetor Centre’s website (http://www.bioethics.ualberta.ca).

Faculty Publications

Wendy Austin:

Books


Chapters


Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles


**Paul Byrne:**

*Non-peer Reviewed Articles*


**Brendan Leier:**

*Books*


**Laura Shanner:**

*Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles*


**Dick Sobsey:**

*Book Chapters & Text Materials:*


**Adjunct Members Publications**

**Peter Brindley:**

**Chapters**


**Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**


**Non-peer Reviewed Articles**


**Dawn Davies:**

**Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**


**Charl Els:**

**Chapters**


**Non-peer Reviewed Articles**

Heidi Janz:
Book Chapters & Text Materials:

Ari Joffe:
Chapters:

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles


**Non-peer Reviewed Articles**


**Doris Kieser:**

**Books**


**Diane Kunyk:**

**Chapters**


Tobacco Reduction and Cessation. C. Els, D. Kunyk, P. Selby (Eds.) Create Space. Charleston: South Carolina.


Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles


Cheryl Mack:

Text Materials:


Austin Mardon:

Non-peer Reviewed Articles

Derek Sellman:

Chapters

Eleanor Stewart:
Conference Report

Student Publications

**Michael van Manen:**
Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles


Web Authoring


Sobsey, D. Web Administration. Facebook MECP2 Duplication Syndrome Family Talk Group. Connecting 281 family members of children and adults with MECP2 Duplication Syndrome.

ACADEMIC DAYS

Over 2011-2012 the JDHEC continued to host biweekly *Academic Days*, an academic forum for clinical ethicists, health care professionals, scholars, residents and students to review and discuss scholarly articles and research in the area of health ethics. The schedule and topics for discussion were arranged by Adjunct Member, Gary Goldsand. Some topics that were discussed: *Beneficence as trumps: Dethroning autonomy in the physician’s duty to care, Moral fictions and medical ethics, End-of-life discontinuation of destination therapy with*
cardiac and ventilatory support medical devices: physician-assisted death or allowing the patient to die?, and Developing practice standards for healthcare ethicists in Canada. Some articles appeared in journals such as Bioethics, BMC Medical Ethics, The New England Journal of Medicine, and Journal of the American Medical Association. Many of the thoughts and ideas from these discussions could be applied clinically.

EDUCATION

Faculty and Adjunct Members of the John Dossetor Health Ethics Centre contribute to teaching ethics across many health science faculties at the University of Alberta, as well as outside of the University.

Faculty

**Wendy Austin**

INT D 570 – HealthCare Ethics  
Winter 2012

**Paul Byrne**

Co-instructor for a number of academic half-days per year (12-20) which amounts to all medical sub-specialty ethics teaching. These days are directly related to ethics content requirements for accreditation in the FoMD. (with Brendan Leier)

**Brendan Leier**

Co-instructor of all the undergraduate ethics and law curricular requirements for medical students in yrs 1-4. (with Tracey Bailey, Adjunct Member)

5 and 10 ethics electives per year, which are either 12 hour or two week directed education sessions for medical students

Tutor and facilitator for the Arts and Humanities in Health and Medicine Program content for the last few years. (with Pamela Brett-MacLean)

Co-instructor for a number of academic half-days per year (12-20) which amounts to medical sub-specialty ethics teaching. These days are directly related to ethics content requirements for accreditation in the FoMD. (with Paul Byrne and Gary Goldsand)

Instruct several clinical ethics sessions per week to clinical services/units at the University of Alberta & Stollery Children’s Hospitals and Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute.

Ethics of Life-Sustaining Technologies (with Cheryl Mack)  
January 2012
Laura Shanner

PHS 643 – Healthcare Organizational Ethics  
Fall 2011

Dick Sobsey

Incidental Guest Lecturer:
MED 526 – Patient-Centred Care  
Fall 2011
DDS 520 – Patient-Centred Care Part II  
Fall 2011

Adjunct Members

Tracey Bailey

Co-instructor of all the **undergraduate ethics and law curricular requirements** for medical students in yrs 1-4. (with Brendan Leier)

Clinical skills instructor for medical students

**Incidental Guest Lecturer:**
DMED 526 - Crisis Resource Management in acute care medicine  
Winter 2012

Visiting Professor, University of Calgary, Dept of Surgery  
Teamwork in acute care: why there is no “I” in ICU  
Fall 2011

Visiting Professor, Queens University, Critical Care Medicine  
Fall 2011

Visiting Professor, University of Toronto, Critical Care Medicine  
Fall 2011

Dawn Davies

Ethics sessions for 4th year residents preparing for Royal College Exams Winter 2012

End of life classroom sessions that have ethics components (3 per year, each 1 hour)

Gary Goldsand

Co-instructor for a number of academic half-days per year (12-20) which amounts to **medical sub-specialty ethics teaching.** These days are directly related to ethics content requirements for accreditation in the FoMD. (with Brendan Leier)

Instructor for several **clinical ethics sessions** to clinical services/units at the RAH
Ari Joffe
Supervising pre-medical university students and pediatric residents - Brain Death and Donation after Cardiocirculatory Death Survey at Heritage Festival

Doris Kieser

CHRTC 352 – Bioethical Problems: Christian Perspectives 2011-2012
CHRTC 432 – Advanced Theological Issues in Bioethics 2011-2012
CHRTC 393 – The Human Sexual Body: Theological Perspectives 2011-2012
CHRTC 503 – The Human Sexual Body: Theological Perspectives (Graduate)

New Course Preparation (2011-2012 Academic Year):
CHRTC 432 – Advanced Theological Issues in Bioethics

Cheryl Mack
Instructor of ethics components for anesthesia and cardiac surgery
Clinical instructor, anesthesia
Coordinator of combined anesthesia, CV surgery and ICU rounds
Coordinator and facilitator for cardiac sciences monthly staff ethics journal club
Institute for Healthcare Communication: Workshop Instructor for the Institute’s Disclosing Unanticipated Medical Outcomes course.
Anesthesia Resident Academic Half-day Medical Futility May 2011
Ethics and ECMO (with Dr. Roderick MacArthur) September 2011
CanMEDS Workshop for Department of Surgery:
Decision-Making at the End-of-Life (with Dr. Roderick MacArthur and Dr. Sean Bagshaw) November 2011
Ethics of Life-Sustaining Technologies (with Brendan Leier) January 2012

Derek Sellman
Teaching in sections of 3 undergraduate level, general nursing courses, Faculty of Nursing

Derek Truscott
EDPY 536 – Ethical and Professional Issues in Psychological Practice Fall 2011
EDPY 532 – Systems of Counselling Winter 2012
EDPY 501 – Introduction to Methods of Educational Research
3 hour guest lecture

Fall 2011, Winter 2012

Eric Wasylenko
U of C Faculty of Nursing – Goals of Care, Advance Care Planning, Ethics, Euthanasia, End of Life Care Guest Instructor 3 hour class session

April 2011

Calgary Therapeutics Course; To die or not to die/To intervene or not to intervene: Ethics and End Stages of Chronic Disease Guest Instructor

March, 2012

GRADUATE STUDENT SUPERVISION

Faculty

Wendy Austin

SUPERVISION, DOCTORAL DEGREES

Supervisor (in progress):
Nicole Snow, Nursing, 2006-, Community Mental Health Ethics (Supervisor)

Co-Supervisor (in progress):
Michael van Manen, Pediatrics, 2010-, Parents’ lived relational moral experience of direction-of-care decisions in the NICU (Co-Supervisor with Paul Byrne)

Jane Hamilton Wilson, 2008-, First Episode Psychosis: The Experience of Parent Caregivers (Co-Supervisor with Sherrill Conroy)

Supervisory Committee Member:
Erika Goble, Secondary Education, 2009-, Sublimity and the Image: A Phenomenological Study (Supervisory Committee Member)
Bart Lenart, Philosophy, 2010-, Moral Identity: The Moral Status of Human Persons (Supervisory Committee Member)

Completed:
Diane Kunyk, Nursing, 2007-2011, Nursing Under the Influence: The Situation of Alberta Nurses (Supervisor)

SUPERVISION, MASTERS DEGREES

Completed:
Natalie Ford, Nursing, 2007-2012, Nurses’ Conscientious Objection in the NICU (Supervisor)
Paul Byrne

SUPERVISION, DOCTORAL DEGREES
Co-Supervisor (in progress):
Michael van Manen, Pediatrics, 2010-, Parents’ lived relational moral experience of direction-of-care decisions in the NICU (Co-Supervisor with Wendy Austin)

Supervisory Committee Member:
Katherine Duthie, School of Public Health, 2008 -, Organizational Influences on the capacity for Ethical Clinical Practice in the NICU (Supervisory Committee)

SUPERVISION, MASTERS DEGREES
Completed:
Natalie Ford, Nursing, 2007-2012, Nurses’ Conscientious Objection in the NICU (Supervisory Committee)

Brendan Leier

SUPERVISION, DOCTORAL DEGREES
Katherine Duthie, School of Public Health, 2008-, Organizational Influences on the capacity for Ethical Clinical Practice in the NICU (Supervisory Committee)

Laura Shanner

SUPERVISION, DOCTORAL DEGREES
Supervisor (in progress):
Christopher Michell-Viret, Faculty of Medicine, 2007-, Spatiotemporally Enabling the Seamless Health Record (Supervisory Committee)

SUPERVISION, MASTERS DEGREES
Examining Committee:
Hamman Samuel, Computer Science, Content Management for Online Health Advice Sharing (External (Internal) Examiner) Sept 13 2011

Dick Sobsey

SUPERVISION, DOCTORAL DEGREES
Keith Johnston, Physical Education & Recreation, Dignity and Adapted Physical Activity (Supervisory Committee)
Jennifer Leo, Physical Education & Recreation, *Qualitative Study of Disability Simulation Activities* (Supervisory Committee)

**Completed:**
Wanapa Intaprasert, Educational Psychology, *Families of Children with Developmental Disabilities* (Supervisor)

Jocelyn Wilkie, Educational Psychology, *Patients in Mental Health Facilities* (Supervisor)

**Adjunct Members**

**Doris Kieser**

SUPERVISION, DOCTORAL DEGREES
Supervisory Committee Member:
Nike Ayo, Physical Education & Recreation (Supervisory Committee)

**Ari Joffe**

SUPERVISION, DOCTORAL DEGREES
Supervisory Committee Member:
Liliane Zorzela, Pediatrics, 2011-

**Derek Sellman**

SUPERVISION, MASTERS DEGREES
Completed:
Natalie Ford, Nursing, 2007-2012, *Nurses’ Conscientious Objection in the NICU* (Supervisory Committee)

**Derek Truscott**

SUPERVISION, DOCTORAL DEGREES
Supervisor (in progress):
S. Gothjepsen, Counselling Psychology, *Clients’ Understanding of Ethical Standards for Psychologists* (Supervisor)

M. Hitschfeld, Counselling Psychology, *Unintended Positive Consequences from Psychotherapy* (Supervisor)

K. Wallace, Counselling Psychology, *Clients’ Experience of Master Therapists* (Supervisor)

H. Whyte, Counselling Psychology, *The Synergy of Self: How Reflection Impacts Congruence in Psychotherapists* (Supervisor)

Supervisory Committee Member:
R. Major, Educational Psychology, (Supervisory Committee Member)
Completed:
N. Kostiuk, Counselling Psychology, *Implicit and Explicit Self-Esteem, Narcissism, Risk, and Psychopathy in a Forensic Population* (Supervisor)

**SUPERVISION, MASTERS DEGREES**

**Supervisor (in progress):**
K. Shiller, Counselling Psychology, *Young Offenders’ Perceptions of the Therapeutic Alliance* (Supervisor)

**Supervisory Committee Member:**
W. Aujla, Sociology, *Voicing Challenges: South Asian Immigrant Women Speak Out About Their Experiences of Domestic Violence and Access to Services* (Supervisory Committee Member)

Completed:
G. Corabian, Counselling Psychology, *Collateral Effects of the Media on Sex Offender Reintegration: Perceptions of Sex Offenders, Professionals, and the Lay Public* (Supervisor)

**COMMITTEES AND MEMBERSHIPS**

**Faculty**

**Wendy Austin**
- Leadership Committee, Mental Health Research Institute
- Member, Canadian Association for Nursing Research (2006-)
- Member, Women and Children’s Health Research Institute
- Member, Advisory Board of the Canadian Unit of the International Network of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics
- Peer Consultant, University Teaching Services (1990-present)
- Member, Faculty of Nursing Evaluation Committee (2006-present)
- Member, Faculty of Nursing Selections Committee (2005-present)

**Paul Byrne**
- Ethical Consultant - Pediatric Advisory Team, Province Wide Service, Provincial Advisory Group
- Bioethicist Consultant-Alberta Health Services/Covenant Health/University of Alberta
- Committee Member - Minister’s Report on Ethics Services in Alberta
- Editor - *Health Ethics Today*
- Member - Canadian Bioethics Society
- Member - Canadian Pediatric Society
Stacy Cabral
- Member - University of Alberta Hospital, Stollery Children’s Hospital and Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute Clinical Ethics Committee

Brendan Leier
- Member - University of Alberta Hospital, Stollery Children’s Hospital and Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute Clinical Ethics Committee
- Research Ethics Review Committee - College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta
- Member - Capital Region Health Ethics Coordinating Council
- Committee Member - Minister’s Report on Ethics Services in Alberta
- Member - Cardiac Complex Patient Committee
- Member - Complex Tracheostomy Committee
- Member - Stollery Complex Patient Committee

Carol Nahorniak
- Secretariat & Member - University of Alberta Hospital, Stollery Children’s Hospital and Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute Clinical Ethics Committee
- Assistant Editor - Health Ethics Today

Laura Shanner
- School of Public Health (SPH), Faculty Council, External Review – development and assessment of faculty survey re: SPH Mission and Values statements
- Member – University of Alberta Global Citizenship Education Working Group 2009-
- Member - Stem Cell Oversight Committee, CIHR, January 2007 – December 2011 Advisory to CIHR regarding stem cell research ethics policy updates; review/approval of applications for studies involving human embryonic stem cells.

Dick Sobsey
- Member - Editorial Board, Journal of Adult Protection
- Member - Editorial Board, Developmental Disabilities Bulletin
- Reviewer - Research and Practice for Persons with Severe Disabilities
- Reviewer - Journal of Intellectual Disability Research
- Consultant - Task Force for Values and Ethics - Canadian Association for Community Living
- Professional Advisor - International Rett Syndrome Foundation
- Member - Program Committee, Baylor University School of Medicine and Texas Children’s Hospital 2013 MECP2 Duplication Syndrome Family Conference
Adjunct Members

Peter Brindley
- Member - Faculty Development Committee, Representative for Critical Care Medicine
- Member - Organizing Committee, St. Andrew's Day Festival Symposium
- Member - Search and Selection Committee, Chair, Division of Critical Care Medicine
- Co-organizer - National Simulation Education Initiative for Critical Care Trainees in Organ Donation and Donor Management, Donation for Critical Care (DoCC)
- Advisor - Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, DoCC
- Advisor - Canadian Blood Services, DoCC
- Member - Organizing Committee, Trauma Day, University of Alberta Hospital
- Co-organizer - National Simulation Education Initiative for Surgery Trainees, Surgery Trauma Acute Resuscitation Training (S.T.A.R.T.)
- Advisor - Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, S.T.A.R.T.
- Member - Search and Selection Committee, Chair, Department of Emergency Medicine
- Member - Search and Selection Committee, Chair, Department of Physiology
- Committee Member - Faculty Learning, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry
- Reviewer - Critical Care Medicine
- Reviewer - Critical Care Forum (London)
- Reviewer - Journal of Critical Care
- Associate - Canadian Journal for General Internal Medicine

Dawn Davies
- Member - Bioethics Committee, Canadian Pediatric Society
- Member - Working Group, Goals of Care, Stollery Children’s Hospital
- Committee Member - Stollery Complex Care Committee
- Member - Subcommittee, Tracheostomy Decision-Making
- Member - Executive Committee, Canadian Network for Pediatric Palliative Care
- Chair - Subcommittee, Improving and Standardizing Medical Bereavement Care, Morbidity and Mortality Committee

Charl Els
- Alberta Psychiatric Association
- Alberta Civil Trial Lawyers’ Association
- American Society of Addiction Medicine
- American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine
- American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law
- Canadian Psychiatric Association
- Reviewer - American Journal on Addictions
- Reviewer - Asia Pacific Psychiatry Journal
- Reviewer - Canadian Journal of Psychiatry
- Reviewer - Canadian Medical Association Journal
- Reviewer - Canadian Family Physician
Gary Goldsand
- Member - Royal Alexandra Hospital, Clinical Ethics Committee
- Member - Capital Region Health Ethics Coordinating Council

Ari Joffe
- Co-Chair - Alberta Pediatric Advisory Committee to DTC
- Member - Pediatric Standard Concentrations Committee, Stollery Children’s Hospital
- Member - Pediatric ICU – Mortality and Morbidity Committee, Stollery Children's Hospital
- Critical Care Section, Stollery Children’s Hospital
- Member - Extra Corporeal Life Support (ECLS) Review Committee, Stollery Children’s Hospital
- Member - Steering Committee, Registry and Follow Up of Complex Invasive Pediatric Therapies
- Member - Pediatric Critical Care Residency Training Committee
- Reviewer - Critical Care Medicine
- Ad-hoc Reviewer - Journal of Critical Care
- Ad-hoc Reviewer - Pediatric Rehabilitation
- Ad-hoc Reviewer - Intensive Care Medicine
- Ad-hoc Reviewer - Pediatric Critical Care Medicine
- Ad-hoc Reviewer - Pediatric Pulmonology
- Ad-hoc Reviewer - Annals of Thoracic Surgery
- Ad-hoc Reviewer - Health Education Research
- Ad-hoc Reviewer - Canadian Medical Association Journal
- Ad-hoc Reviewer - Acta Paediatrica
- Ad-hoc Reviewer - Philosphy Ethics and Humanities in Medicine
- Ad-hoc Reviewer - Critical Care

Doris Kieser
- St. Joseph’s College, Faculty Council
- Member - St. Joseph’s Women’s Residence Advisory Committee
- President-Elect - Canadian Theological Society
- Member - Advisory Board, Master of Counselling Program (Alberta), Gonzaga University
- Canadian Theological Society
- College Theology Society
- Certified Canadian Counsellor - Canadian Counselling and Psychotherapy Association

Diane Kunyk
- Reviewer - Canadian Journal of Nursing Research
- Member - Research Review Committee, Faculty of Nursing, University of Alberta
- Member - Healthy Workplace Committee, Faculty of Nursing
- Member - Area of Excellence, Chronicity, Faculty of Nursing
- Member - Area of Excellence, Health Equity, Faculty of Nursing

Cheryl Mack
- Member - Edmonton Zone Quality Assurance Working Group, Anesthesiology
- Chair - University of Alberta Hospital, Stollery Children’s Hospital and Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute Clinical Ethics Committee
- Member - University of Alberta Hospital, Stollery Children’s Hospital and Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute Clinical Ethics Committee
- Coordinator - Combined CV surgery, CV ICU and Anesthesia Rounds (monthly)
- Member - Department of Anesthesia Social Committee

Austin Mardon
- Special Advisor - Glenrose Hospital, Edmonton, Alberta
- Committee Member - Lt. Governor Interim Mental Health Foundation Circle
- Public Board Member - Social Work Diploma Program Advisory Committee, Norquest College
- Committee Member - Finance Committee, Alberta College of Social Workers
- Committee Member - Social Action & Social Justice Subcommittee, Alberta College of Social Workers
- Committee Member - Covenant Health Mental Health Committee

Victoria Seavilleklein
- Member - Central Zone Ethics Committee, Central Zone, Alberta Health Services
- Member - Capital Region Health Ethics Coordinating Council
- Member - American Society for Bioethics and Humanities
- Member - Canadian Bioethics Society
- Member - Canadian Philosophy Association
- Member - Canadian Policies and Procedures Network
- Member - Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy

Derek Sellman
- Member - International Philosophy of Nursing Society
- Editor - Nursing Philosophy
- Reviewer - Nursing Ethics

Eleanor Stewart
- Elected Board Member - Provincial Health Ethics Network
**Derek Truscott**

- Reviewer - *Canadian Journal of Counselling*
- Reviewer - *Canadian Psychology*
- Member - Registration Advisory Committee, College of Alberta Psychologists
- Member - Steering Committee, Alberta Mental Health Network
- Member - University of Alberta Research Ethics Board Oversight Committee
- Member - University of Alberta Press Committee
- College of Alberta Psychologists
- American Psychological Association
- Canadian Psychological Association

**Eric Wasylenko**

- Ex-officio Member - for six Ethics Committees within AHS
- CMO Representative - Critical Care Dispute Resolution Policy, AHS
- Member - Pandemic Planning – Provincial Emergency/Disaster Management Steering Committee, Pandemic Planning Operational Lead Committee, Physician Issues Sub-Committee and Ethics Section co-lead, AHS
- Member - Priority-Setting Framework Think Tank, AHS
- Member - Complex Quality Assurance Review Committee, AHS
- Member - Integrated Steering Committee on Reducing Disparities, AHS
- Committee Member - Minister’s Report on Ethics Services in Alberta
- Facilitator and author of Minister’s Report on Ethics Services in Alberta
- Committee Member - Minister’s Report on Ethics Services in Alberta
- Ethics Advisor - Alberta Advisory Committee on Immunizations, member, AH
- Member - Expert Advisory Group for the Provincial Review of Assisted Reproductive Technologies, AH
- Member - Ethics Advisory Committee (EAC) to the Chief Public Health Officer of Canada
- Sub-committee member - EAC task group on development of Public Health ethics framework
- Member - Working Group on the Relationship between Physicians and the Health Care System, Canadian Medical Association

**Students**

**Katherine Duthie**

- Member - University of Alberta Hospital, Stollery Children’s Hospital and Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute Clinical Ethics Committee
- Member - Royal Alexandra Hospital, Clinical Ethics Committee
- Member - Professional Practicing Health Ethicists Exploring Professionalization (PHEEP)
- Member - PHEEP – Subcommittee on Conceptual Issues
Michael van Manen

- Member - University of Alberta Hospital, Stollery Children’s Hospital and Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute Clinical Ethics Committee
- Member - Residency Program Committee Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine
- Member - Moral Distress in the Pediatric Intensive Care Advisory Group

HEALTH ETHICS CONSULTATION SERVICE

The JDHEC provides administrative support for the Clinical Ethicist (Brendan Leier) and the consultation service of the University of Alberta Hospital, Stollery Children’s Hospital and Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute’s Clinical Ethics Committee. Requests for ethics consultations from patients, family and healthcare professionals are received and coordinated by the Centre. This involves obtaining the information and then forwarding it to the Clinical Ethicist and occasionally involves assembling a team from the Clinical Ethics Committee to respond to the request. On average the Clinical Ethicist receives 7-8 detailed ethics consultations per month in addition to many (100+) telephone and “corridor” consultations. Through the clinical ethics service the JDHEC has created a partnership with AHS for an ethical delivery of health care in the community.

In addition, Faculty and Adjunct Members of the JDHEC are involved in Ethics Service provision through participation in ethics consultations for leadership, government, patients, clinicians, teams and associations.

LIBRARY RESOURCES

The JDHEC library contains a wide range of books and journals in the area of health ethics including, clinical ethics, end-of-life issues, women’s issues (feminist bioethics), philosophy, psychology, technology and ethics, law and medicine, transplantation, ethics education, reproductive issues, relational ethics, nursing ethics, and ethical theory. In addition, the library has a variety of health ethics video tapes and CDs. University faculty members, students, AHS staff, as well as the public are welcome to utilize the facility by appointment.

Some of the current journals available:
- Hastings Center Report (1973-2012)
- Journal of Clinical Ethics (1990-2012)
MEDIA AND PUBLIC INQUIRIES

Faculty and Adjunct Members of the JDHEC respond to a variety of health ethics inquiries from academics, health care professionals, the general public, national and local press, and radio and television media. The responses have appeared as feature articles in local (Edmonton Journal and the University of Alberta’s Express News) and national (Globe and Mail, CTV and CBC Radio and TV) media on a variety of health ethics issues. Some examples:

**Tracey Bailey**

**Austin Mardon**
- People First Radio, “Mental Health, Citizenship and Inclusion” June 9, 2011

**Brendan Leier**
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