



BAKER COLLEGE

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

BUS7580 Health Law and Ethics
3 Semester Credit Hours

Student Learning Outcomes and Enabling Objectives

1. Assess foundational ethical, moral, and legal terms used to guide decisions and policy in healthcare.
 - a. Examine ethical theories and principles. Compare and contrast ethics and morality.
 - b. Demonstrate an understanding of important current ethical dilemmas challenging healthcare organizations, professionals, and patients.
 - c. Examine end-of-life concepts including knowledge of types of euthanasia, assisted suicide, and advance directives. Apply ethical concepts to end-of-life dilemmas.
 - d. Describe public versus private law, sources of law, and the three branches of government.
 - e. Demonstrate an understanding of legal concepts including tort law and types of intentional torts, criminal law, types of contracts, and the elements of a contract.

2. Examine the role of ethics in governmental and corporate spheres.
 - a. Demonstrate understanding of the types of public policy designed to protect the rights of individual citizens, why there are government ethics committees, and the importance of ethics for those in public service.
 - b. Describe the role of ethics in the corporate sphere, including the duties and responsibilities of organizations, codes of ethics, and organizational misconduct.
 - c. Describe the structure, function, and benefits of healthcare ethics committees.

3. Examine the types of ethical and legal issues that arise for physicians and other healthcare professionals.
 - a. Demonstrate an understanding of types of ethical and legal issues that arise for healthcare professionals, including professional codes of ethics, licensing and certification, and knowledge of current dilemmas.
 - b. Articulate the types of ethical and legal issues that arise for physicians, including codes of conduct and the Hippocratic Oath, how law and ethics intertwine in patient care, and knowledge of current ethical and legal challenges.

4. Examine the rights and responsibilities of patients and employees in healthcare.
 - a. Demonstrate understanding of the rights and responsibilities of patients, and how those are intertwined and not mutually exclusive.
 - b. Demonstrate an understanding of patient consent, what constitutes legal consent, and when a patient has a right to refuse treatment.
 - c. Describe the types of patient abuse, including child abuse and senior abuse, signs of abuse, and reporting requirements.
 - d. Demonstrate understanding of the rights and responsibilities of employees in the healthcare workplace.

5. Communicate effectively using the professional standards of the discipline.
 - a. Apply APA formatting guidelines to paper format, body of paper in-text citations, and references.
 - b. Apply knowledge of writing mechanics (sentence structure, spelling, punctuation, etc.) to enhance professionalism and readability of writing.
 - c. Write and speak in a coherent and clear manner consistent with professional and academic settings.

Big Ideas and Essential Questions

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- Foundational ethical, moral, and legal terms in healthcare
- Role of ethics in governmental and corporate spheres
- Ethical and legal issues that arise for physicians and other healthcare professionals
- Rights and responsibilities of patients and employees in healthcare

Essential Questions

1. What are the foundational ethical, moral, and legal terms in healthcare?
2. What role does ethics play in governmental and corporate spheres?
3. What are some ethical and legal issues that arise for physicians and other healthcare professionals?
4. What are the rights and responsibilities of patients and employees in healthcare?

These SLOs are not approved for experiential credit.

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