The Program in Medical Ethics and Humanities of the Department of Internal Medicine at the University of Utah School of Medicine

EVENING ETHICS

“Patients, Parents, and Professionals: Ethical Issues in the Treatment of Trans Adolescents”

With Armand H. Matheny Antommaria, MD, PhD, FAAP

2019-20 David Green Memorial Speaker

Wednesday
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5:30pm-7pm

Armand H. Matheny Antommaria, MD, PhD, FAAP,
Director, Ethics Center, Lee Ault Carter Chair of Pediatric Ethics, Cincinnati Children Hospital, Attending Physician, Division of Hospital Medicine, Associate Professor, University of Cincinnati Department of Pediatrics, will be our 23rd Annual David Green Lecturer.

Medical treatment of trans adolescents is controversial. Proponents of hormonal and surgical treatment emphasize the high rates of depression and suicide in this population. Opponents contend that evidence supporting the current standard of care is lacking and highlight individuals who regret their treatment. Our discussion will focus on ethical issues such as the following: What are the potential benefits, risks, and alternatives to treatment with puberty blockers and gender affirming hormonal and surgical treatment? What does reversibility mean in this context and what role should it play in the ethical analysis? May healthcare professionals refuse to treat trans patients and what constitutes medical neglect in this domain?

For background readings before this discussion, please contact linda.carlee@hsc.utah.edu

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For those interested, Dr. Antommaria will be presenting the David Green Lectureship, “Establishing Goals of Care and Ethically Limiting Treatment” at Pediatric Grand Rounds the next morning, Thursday, December 5th, 2019, 8 am, Primary Children’s Hospital, 3rd floor Auditorium.

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