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

**EVENING ETHICS**

**Race, Research, and the Coronavirus**

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The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recently published data demonstrating that Black Americans have been hospitalized with COVID-19 at higher rates than other racial and ethnic groups. Further, data also identified that Black Americans are dying at rates higher than their proportion of the population. Some of the nation’s leading experts in equity, research and healthcare identified pre-pandemic inequities as implicated in this disproportionate burden on Black Americans during the pandemic. Recent protests in response to George Floyd’s death further identified structural bias and discrimination. As our institution moves forward with equity, diversity and inclusivity research initiatives, discussion from our institutional community is needed to ensure we identify the ethical, legal and social complexities identified through this pandemic and the type of research needed to address these inequities associated with race in our community. This discussion will consider inequities and how to address them in both COVID-19 and other research at the University of Utah.

**Background Readings:**


[https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6928e1.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6928e1.htm)

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