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Welcome to Medical Futility Blog

I have been researching legal issues concerning medical futility disputes for the past few years. I have noticed that interest in the issue is widespread. Therefore, I plan to blog about judicial, legislative, medical, and scholarly developments.

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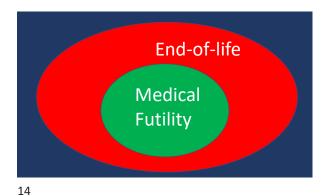
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The 50-Year Legacy of the Harvard Report on **Brain Death**

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JAMA. 2018;320(4):335-336. doi:10.1001/jama.2018.6990

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Minnesota is Ready for the End of Life Options Act: Evolving Status of Medical Aid in Dying

Join me next month at the University of Minnesota for "Minnesota is Ready for the End of Life Options Act: Evolving Status of Medical Aid in Dying."

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What Becomes of Unbefriended Patients? Clinical, Policy, and Systems Approaches

Timothy Farrell presented a tremendous one-hour talk on unrepresented patients at the September 2019 University of Utah Department of Internal Medicine Grand Rounds.

The video for "What Becomes of Unbefriended Patients? Clinical, Policy, and Systems Approaches" is available here.



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Supreme Court of Texas Declines to Review Constitutionality of Texas Advance Directives Act

The Supreme Court of Texas has denied the petition for review in *Kelly v. Houston Methodist Hospital*. This ends a valiant, long-running attempt to challenge the constitutionality of the Texas Advance Directives Act.

Given the mootness doctrine constraints in Texas, it will be difficult to have the state courts review TADA. The patient in any case will likely die before a court could reach the merits.



Ethical and Legal Considerations in End-of-Life Care 🥒

If you are looking for an accessible primer on ethical and legal issues in a wide range of end-of-life medical interventions, check out "Ethical and Legal Considerations in End-of-Life Care" in the September 2019 issue of *Primary Care: Clinics in Office Practice*.

In caring for dying patients, family medicine practitioners intentionally adopt care plans that affect the manner and timing of death. These

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Ontario CCB Determines "Death Is a Benefit" 🥒

Over the past week, I have blogged about some of the 2019 medical futility disputes that were resolved by the Ontario Consent & Capacity Board. Here is another one.

In VB, the family of a 71-year-old patient refused consent to the proposed palliative treatment plan that included removal from ventilator. The CCB sided with the clinicians, finding that the substitute decision makers found it difficult to find that "death was a benefit for



POLST - Evidence of Safety & Effectiveness 🖋

The June 14, 2016 issue of JAMA includes a debate over whether the evidence on the safety and effectiveness of POLST is sufficient to warrant its broad dissemination into practice.

On the one hand, Scott Halpern and colleagues argue that "although POLST may help prevent terminally ill patients from being resuscitated or hospitalized against their will expanding



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