

**Stony Brook University Hospital Institutional Ethics Committee****8th Annual Medical Ethics Symposium****Lost in Translation: Cultivating Ethical Conversations with Cultural Humility, Compassion and Respect****Call for Abstracts**

Stony Brook University Hospital's Institutional Ethics Committee is pleased to announce our Call for Abstracts for our 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Medical Ethics Symposium, *Lost in Translation: Cultivating Ethical Conversations with Cultural Humility, Compassion and Respect*. We are interested in examining this multifaceted issue from an ethics and legal perspective with our healthcare community. Providing a principled ethical framework for these conversations and decisions is of paramount importance. Professionals and students from all healthcare, legal and other associated disciplines are invited to submit poster proposals associated with this theme. Chosen topics should consider evidenced based evaluation, ethical principles to be considered, effective strategies for implementation, risk assessment and /or guidance for improved practice and conflict resolution.

**Suggested Topics:**

- The importance of providing interpretation services, for patients with limited English proficiency, in fulfilling the standard of care.
- Clinician's obligation to recognize the coercive influence of the power imbalance that exists between clinicians and patients.
- Critical issues involving effective ethical communication with patients who live in historically medically underserved and economically disadvantaged communities.
- How failure in communication contributes to patient distress, health care inefficiency and physician burnout.
- Basic communication skills necessary for these conversations, starting with active listening and the appropriate use of vocabulary.
- The Importance of incorporating the Social Determinants of Health in patient education and discharge planning.
- Health Literacy and facilitation of adherence to prescribed medication management.
- Recognizing and combating Micro Aggressions, Implicit and Explicit Bias in Health Care
- Understanding and practicing with cultural and professional humility.
- Recognizing the importance of assessing health literacy in discussions with patients and families

**Abstracts must be uploaded in PDF format by the deadline of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to [jean.mueller@stonybrookmedicine.edu](mailto:jean.mueller@stonybrookmedicine.edu); notification of acceptance will occur by July 9th, 2025.**

**Abstracts must include:** Title of Project/Presentation, authors name including earned degree(s) and professional title, and a short bio including description of your work and research or quality improvement initiatives in medical bioethics, in fewer than 500 words including:

- Statement of Purpose and/or aims of the research or quality improvement initiative,
- Ethical Principle(s) Involved,
- Approach/Methodology/Strategy, Importance,
- Significance and Implications.

Accepted Posters must be mounted (36" x 44") and will be displayed during the conference on August 1, 2025. All Poster presenters will be expected to be available for questions and answers during lunch and break times to share their projects. First, Second and Third Place Winners will be notified prior to the conference and given the opportunity to present their Poster in a 10-minute Rapid Fire Session during the Symposium.

**\*Save the Date: August 1, 2025 \*Place: SBUH Mart Auditorium & via Webinar**