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Self-determination of Patients in Republic of Korea: Challenges in Medical Education for End of Life Care

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In the process of providing medical services, doctors witness countless deaths. Attitudes toward the acceptance of death vary across cultures, and related medical education for humanities could be diverse. The question that arises is, “What should doctors do to protect the dignity of patients at the end of the patient’s life?” In this conversation, Dr. Park will demonstrate how humanities education is conducted in medical schools in South Korea. In particular, she will talk about the culture and systems surrounding the provision of end-of-life care and medical education in South Korea.



So-Youn Park MD is an associate professor of medical education and humanities at Kyung Hee University. She is a member of the Regulatory Reform and Legislation Committee of the Ministry of Health and Welfare. Dr. Park is the director of the General Business Board of The Korean Society for Medical Ethics. She is also a member of the Korean Association of Internal Medicine’s Ethics Board. Additionally, she is a member of the Research and Development Committee of the Korean Institute of Medical Education and Evaluation.

Dr. Park is a graduate of Kyung Hee University, School of Medicine in Seoul, Republic of Korea. She has completed fellowships at Asan Medical Center in the Department of Infectious Diseases. She is currently a director at the Disability Health Research Center in Kyung Hee University. Dr. Park’s current work focuses on health care service, patient centered care, and self-determination for the people with disabilities to maintain health as well as improve their support system

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