

Religion and Futility in the Intensive Care Unit

A child is critically ill in the intensive unit. Doctors believe that the child's prognosis is very poor and that treatment should be withdrawn. However, her parents do not agree. They say that it is contrary to their religion to stop treatment.

How often is religion a source of disagreement about treatment in intensive care? What are the views of major religions about withdrawing treatment in intensive care? Should religious requests for treatment be treated differently from secular requests? Should religious preferences for treatment count in a child? Should religious views be accommodated when providing scarce and expensive medical resources?

*A half-day seminar exploring issues around religion, pluralism and medical ethics
May 8 2017, Jesus College Oxford 2pm-5pm, including refreshments*

Guest Speaker: Prof John Paris S.J., Professor of Bioethics, Boston College

Speakers/ Panel Participants

John Paris, Joe Brierley, Sarah Barclay, David Jones, John Wyatt, Siddiq Diwan, Dominic Wilkinson

*This seminar is aimed at health professionals/ethicists/philosophers/theologians/chaplains
There are strictly limited places,*

Early bird registration £15/10 **if register by 28th February**
£25/20* subsequently*

**Discounted registration for students*

To reserve a place at the seminar - email rachel.gaminiratne@philosophy.ox.ac.uk

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