

The Third UNESCO-Kumamoto University

Bioethics Roundtable - What is Medical? -

12-13 December, 2009

Kusunoki Hall, Kumamoto University, Japan

Draft Program

12 December

13:00-13:15 Session 1. Opening Ceremony

Hiroaki Taguchi (Vice President in Charge of Self Evaluation and Public Affairs, Kumamoto University)

Darryl Macer, Regional Adviser for Social and Human Sciences in Asia and the Pacific, UNESCO

Takao Takahashi, Dean, Graduate School of Social and Cultural Sciences, Kumamoto University

13:15-15:40 Session 2. What is medical in Asian Bioethics

Chair: Takao Takahashi, Dean, Graduate School of Social and Cultural Sciences, Kumamoto University

Asian Perspectives on what is medical

Darryl Macer, UNESCO Bangkok

What is medical: Reflections from interpretations of human dignity

Sawa Kato, Kumamoto University

What is medical according to Japanese tradition

Kouichi Nishida, Kumamoto University

What is medical?: Reflections from clinical experience

Shinryo Shinagawa, Hirosaki University

History of medicine in Iran”

Sabah Salimi, Iran

Discussion

15:40-16:00 Tea break

16:00 – 18:20 Session 3. Medicine and Care

Chair: Toshinori Kitamura, Kumamoto University

The patient as subjectivity: Toward a medical hermeneutics

Insuk Cha, UNESCO Chair of Philosophy, Seoul National University, Republic of Korea

The basis of care and justice: Reflections from Aristotle's theory of friendship

Takao Takahashi, Kumamoto University

Medicine and happiness

Shuhei Taguchi, Kumamoto University

The concept of medicine: Reflections from the transition of Japanese laws concerning medicine

Kazuto Inaba, Chukyo University, Aichi prefecture

Discussion

18:30-20:30 Reception Party

13 December

9:00 – 12:00 Session 4. The spirit of medicine and love

Chair: Darryl Macer, UNESCO

Biomedicine as the all-embracing science: Biocosmological perspective

Konstantin Khroutski, Novgorod, Russia

Implications of spontaneous recovery from coma for our definition of what is medical

Kayo Uejima, Kumamoto University

What is Medical? Ethics in Mongolia

Amarbayasgalan Dorjderem, Mongolia (UNESCO Bangkok)

Medical Treatment and Buddhism - Reflections from the discussion of brain death and organ transplantation in Japanese Buddhism

Tobias Bauer, Kumamoto University

Discussion

10:40-11:00 Tea break

Religious/Spiritual Coping in Patients with Advanced Cancer: A Critique from a Japanese Perspective

Tomoaki Tsuchida, Waseda University

Being medical: Between the Frontiers of the Natural and the Artificial

Rainier Ibana, Professor, Ateneo de Manila University, the Philippines

Discussion

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00- 15:00 Session 5. The Purpose of Medicine in Society

Chair: Atsushi Asai, Kumamoto University

Medicalization: for a sense of peace or for a sake of profit

Noritoshi Tanida, Yamaguchi University Graduate School of Medicine

How to define a mental abnormality

Toshinori Kitamura, Kumamoto University

The purpose of medicine and the limit of obligations of medical professionals

Atsushi Asai, Kumamoto University

Medical Uncertainties and Patients' Decisions Making

Shigeo Nagaoka, Niigata University

Discussion

15:00-15:20 Break

15:20 – 17:20 Session 6. Rules and Concepts of Medicine

Chair: Sawa Kato, Kumamoto University

Comparisons between veterinary and human medicine

Taka Fuji, Kumamoto University

The concept of medicine: Reflections from regulation of regenerative medical research

Kuniko Aizawa, Kumamoto University

Medical is medical if and only if it is practiced in accord with the axioms of bioethics

Michael Anjello Jothi Rajan, Arockiam Thaddeus and S. Vincent, India

Informed consent in the practice of Occupational Therapy

Katsuaki Yamano, Saga social insurance facility of health care services for the elderly "sun view saga", Saga prefecture

Discussion

17:20-17:30 Closing reflections

Secretariat:

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