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Please watch our distinguished panelists A/Prof. Chan Mei Yoke, A/Prof. Chin Jing Jih, Ms. Rebecca Chew & A/Prof Raymond Chua discuss important issues in Telemedicine including: Privacy and Confidentiality, Justice, Consent, Beneficence and Liability in our [Expert Panel Session](#) and A/Prof. James Low discuss [Ethical Challenges in Telemedicine - Nursing Home & Specialist Outpatient Consultations](#).

NEWS

Babies born to mums with Covid-19 may have antibodies, but scope of protection is unclear - Clara Chong and Theresa Tan // Straits Times
Whether mothers who have Covid-19 antibodies will pass those antibodies to their babies is unclear.

Time for tougher treatment against health 'infodemic' online? - Anjana Ahuja // Straits Times
Is free online expression a threat to public health?

Commentary: A larger, more sinister pandemic lurks beneath COVID-19 - Thomas Cueni // Channel News Asia
The pandemic of antimicrobial resistance due to overuse of antibiotics is growing.

Doctor's office misunderstandings are frequent. Recording consultations could help. - Ranjana Srivastava // The Guardian
Recordings don't increase consultation and they could improve patient-centered care.

The Lost Days that Made Bergamo a Coronavirus Tragedy - Jason Horowitz // New York Times
Examining how a Covid-19 tragedy unfolded in Italy.

PUBLICATIONS

COVID-19: Against a Lockdown Approach - Steven R. Kraaijeveld // Asian Bioethics Review
Altruistic vs. lockdown approaches during a pandemic.

Between Crisis and Convention: How Should We Address Contingency? - Trevor Bibler // Hastings Center Report
Creating contingency standards in medical institutions during times of crisis.

Ethics of triage for intensive-care interventions during the COVID-19 pandemic: Age or disability related cut-off policies are not justifiable - Luciana Riva, Carlo Petrini // Clinical Ethics
Pandemic protocols should not automatically exclude the elderly and the disabled, but should base transparent and rationale criteria on relevant factors that predict survival.

Need for patient-developed concepts of empowerment to rectify epistemic injustice and advance person-centered care - Brenda Bogaert // Journal of Medical Ethics
In order to move forward in patient-centered care we need to involve patients in epistemic development of healthcare materials and programs designed for them.

On "Not Recommending" ECMO - Ian D. Wolfe // Hastings Center Report
Active guidance is sometimes needed for parents in pediatric and neonatal medicine.

Healthcare professionals' responsibility for informing relatives at risk of hereditary disease - Kalle Grill, Anna Rosén // Journal of Medical Ethics
Do healthcare professionals have a duty to make actionable genetic information available to their patients' at-risk relatives?

Combating Covid-19. Or, "All persons are equal, but some persons are more equal than others." - John Harris // Cambridge Quarterly of Healthcare Ethics
The Value of Lives Principle is a more equitable and efficient plan than the Fair Priority Model in vaccine allocation.

BLOGS

Refusal Redux. Revisiting Debate About Adolescent Refusal of Treatment. - Dominic Wilkinson // Practical Ethics
The author discusses the ethical arguments in a recent UK Court decision where the judge made a best interest determination for a Gillick competent teenager.

The Balloon, the Bicycle, and Al Jonsen - William Andereck // Hastings Center Forum
A tribute to Dr. Al Jonsen, one of the authors of the four box method of clinical ethical analysis.

Getting the jab done - Dave Archard, Susan Tansey // Nuffield Bioethics Blog
Many ethical issues need to be considered prior to vaccine distribution.

Older Adults and the Mental Health Effects of COVID-19 - Ipsit V. Vahia, Dilip V. Jeste, Charles F. Reynolds III // JAMA
Older adults may demonstrate more resilience when faced with the mental health challenges of Covid-19.

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