

# Ethics Consultation Practice Notes

## Ethics 360: What Would You Do?

Activity: Small  
Group  
Consultations

**Time Allotted:** 30 Minutes

**Handouts:** Chapter 135-7, Peer Consultation Notes and Peer to Peer Consulting Handout 1 and 2

**Process:**

1. **Decide which dilemma(s) to address. (Or use one of your own)**
2. **Assign roles**—Licensee Representing the Dilemma, Jotter, Process Leader, Consulting Licensee(s)
3. **Use the process to come to a recommendation.**
4. **Go to the next dilemma until time is called.**

### 01 Identify the ethical dilemma

Apply the "four-bin" approach. The four bins are: legal, clinical, ethical and risk management.

### 02 Formulate the ethics question

Given \_\_\_\_\_ (uncertainty or conflict in values/rules), what decisions or actions are ethically justifiable?

OR

Given \_\_\_\_\_ (uncertainty or conflict about values/rules), is it ethically justifiable to \_\_\_\_\_? (decision or action)?

### 03 Gather the relevant information

Discuss the facts, context, values conflicts and any relevant information. Who is the client? What is the problem?

### 04 Identify applicable ethics rules

Site any applicable rule(s). What are the standards?

### 05 Identify possible courses of action

Identify alternative courses of action or decisions. What are the options? What are the consequences?

### 06 Recommend a course of action

Provide a recommended course of action and justification.

