Clinical Ethics Advisory Group

Briefing for Discussion in a full meeting of CEAG

*The purpose of this structure is to provide CEAG with a brief which adheres to a familiar structure. This will allow CEAG to focus appropriately on the issues that bother you!*

1. **List the relevant clinical conditions**
2. **What are the clinical conditions that brought you to the point of believing you are faced with an ethical dilemma**
3. **What is the ethical dilemma facing the clinicians?**
4. **What is the patient’s view of the dilemma?**
5. **Have you discussed this with the patient’s family (or significant others)?**
6. **What efforts have been made to clarify and resolve the difficulties**
7. **Does the patient have mental health problems that may be amenable to expert treatment? And, if relevant, have you fully addressed this aspect?**
8. **If the dilemma entails 2 or more courses of action, what are the harms and benefits of each course of action.**
9. **What is do you hope to achieve in this meeting with CEAG? (What is the goal of the analysis?)**
10. **What are the key ethical questions that you would like CEAG to discuss?**
11. **What does the law / professional guidance say about each of these questions?**

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