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NATIONAL BIOETHICS CONFERENCE - 3

Theme : Governance of healthcare – ethics, equity and justice

Dates: November 17, 18, 19 and 20, 2010

Venue: All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi

In recent decades, the Indian health sector has seen revolutionary changes. With globalisation, world class technologies, super-speciality institutions and big corporate and private sector hospitals have emerged in India. It has also paved the way for international collaborations in the field of research, service delivery and health education. However, healthcare still remains beyond the reach of the poor and needy in the country. Moreover, the healthcare system is far from achieving the goals of equity and justice. The absence of ethics and poor governance contribute significantly to these problems. In this context, the *Indian Journal of Medical Ethics* aims to bring together diverse perspectives on governance in healthcare, towards building an equitable and just health system to achieve a productive dialogue between practitioners, administrators, policy-makers and activists by organising the Third National Bioethics Conference.

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Call for abstracts and proposals for workshops

The scientific committee of the Third National Bioethics Conference seeks abstracts of papers, and proposals for holding workshops, on topics relevant to bioethics. These must be in line with the conference theme: "Governance of healthcare – ethics, equity and justice."

Abstract and proposal deadline: June 18, 2010

Some of the issues which will be discussed in the conference:

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| * Universal healthcare | * Clinical research | * Stem cell research |
| * Indian systems of medicine | * Community participation | * Organ transplantation |
| * Medical education | * Medical tourism | * Healthcare reforms |
| * Regulation of healthcare | * Ethics committees | * Publication ethics |
| * Accreditation of health institutions | * Public private partnerships | * Medical technologies (ART, imaging technologies, etc) |

To register for the conference and submit abstracts, please visit <http://nbc3.ijme.in>

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