

DOCUMENTS AND REFLECTIONS ON ETHICS ISSUES IN THE ORDER

General Bioethics Commission, January 2009

TITLE	DATE	CENTRE AND PROVINCE
1. General ethical principles in biomedical research (in Spanish)	09-2000	Barcelona (Aragón)
2. Codi de bones pràctiques científiques (in Catalan)	05-2006	Fundació Sant Joan de Déu per la recerca (Aragón)
3. Ethical Code for Codice on the use of biological material for research or experiments, and informed consent (in Italian)	03-2002	Brescia Catholic Hospitals Ethics Committee (Lombardy-Veneto Province) Tiber Island Bioethics Committee
4. Human biological material (in English)		The Irish Council for Bioethics (Ireland)
5. Stem cell research. Information leaflet (in English)	03-2007	The Irish Council for Bioethics (Ireland)
6. Charter of patients' rights and duties (in Spanish)	04-2001	Sant Boi de LL. (Aragón)
7. Human rights of the terminally ill (in Spanish)	01-1996	Zaragoza (Aragón)
8. Bioethics Guide Ireland (in English)	2004	The Irish Council for Bioethics (Ireland)
9. Human enhancement bioethics. Making people better or Making better people? (in English)		The Irish Council for Bioethics (Ireland)
10. Introduction to bioethical issues (in English)	2006/2007	The Irish Council for Bioethics (Ireland)
11. Hospitality an ethics forum. Manual of policy, procedure and definitions (in English)		A Committee of the Board (United State)
12. Ethik-Codex für die Einrichtungen der Barmherzigen Brüder Österreichs sowie der Delegaturen in Ungarn und der Slowakei (in German)	11-2008 Version 4	Austrian Province
13. Leitlinien für Katholische Einrichtungen im Dienst der Gesundheitsfürsorge (in German)	2006	Austrian Bishops' Conference
14. Report on "Medidas de restricción del movimiento en niños y en contextos educativos (in Spanish)	06-2003	Provincial Ethics Committee (Andalusia)
15. Report on "Use of a diagnosis protocol for early amniocentesis" (in Spanish)	12-2003	Provincial Ethics Committee (Andalusia)
16. Report of the Commission on Assisted Human Reproduction (in English)		Commission on Assisted Human Reproduction (Ireland)

17. Organ Donation. The gift of life? (in English)		The Irish Council for Bioethics (Ireland)
18. Sharing that time with an AIDS sufferer (in Spanish). Book	1997	Provincial Ethics Committee (Castile)
19. Report on “Protocol regarding the rejection of blood transfusions for reasons of conscience and religious freedom” (in Spanish)	02-2003	Provincial Ethics Committee (Andalusia)
20. The intellectually-impaired. Manual of affective-sexual education (in Spanish). Book	2007	Interprovincial Ethics Committee (Spain)
21. Report on “Criteria for admission to percent for the homeless” (Spanish)	03-2006	Provincial Ethics Committee (Andalusia)
22. Intervention on the level of consciousness of the sick person in a critical situation (in Spanish)	06-1997	Zaragoza (Aragón)
23. Report on “Request to remove assisted ventilation for a patient suffering from progressive muscular dystrophy” (in Spanish)	10-2006	Provincial Ethics Committee (Andalusia)
24. Advanced Directives Report, Ireland (in English)	2007	The Irish Council for Bioethics (Ireland)
25. Euthanasia. Your body, your death, your choice? (in English)		The Irish Council for Bioethics (Ireland)
26. Advance Directive Policy Development Tool (in English)		California Coalition for Compassionate Care. (USA)
27. Sharing time with the terminally ill (in Spanish). Book	1992	Provincial Ethics Committee (Castile)
28. My end at the end of life. How to look after a terminally ill person (in Spanish). Book	11-2003	Hospital San Juan de Dios de Santurce (Castile)
29. Humanising dying and the ethics of care of the dying (in Spanish). Book	2007	Interprovincial Bioethics Commission (Spain)
30. Guió operatiu per a l’anàlisi de casos con problemes ètics (in Catalan)	11-2004	Sant Boi de LL. (Aragón)
31. Consultation resolutions. 8 documents ¹ (in Spanish)	1991-2003	Provincial Ethics Committee (Castile)

¹ **Cases handled include:** a patient with Huntington’s disease (chorea) and terminal sedation. A gastric probe in a patient with senile dementia, and compliance with previous instructions. A male patient with Epoc. On the possible limitation of treatment given to a patient with serious respiratory problems, whose progress has been negative for. A male HIV-positive patient, and confidentiality. Ethical declaration for the Centres and the Province (ethics code). Limits on transfusional therapy in a terminally ill patient with kidney failure and permanent bleeding. Patient-doctor business relations. A dual patient (psicosis + drug addiction) with serious cognitive deterioration and uninhibited sexual behaviour. A loving relationship between two young people with psychiatric incapacity. Order not to reanimate a patient suffering from cardio pulmonary problems or possible tracheostomy in the case normality minimalist take memo dated member Lizzie of no military, Parthia Orden de no reanimación cardiopulmonar o posible realización de traqueostomía en un caso de nemalithic opatía. Blood transfusion in a Jehovah’s Witness. New technologies and ethical implications. Abortion drugs and conscientious objection. Amputation without consent. Information on decision-taking regarding treatment in the case of congenital hydrocephalus.

32. Resolution of 24 mental health cases ² (in Catalan)	2007	Care Ethics Committee Sant Boi Ll. (Aragón)
33. St John of God Ethics Committee (in French)	01-2005	Provincial Bioethics Committee (France)

Note: Copies of some of these documents are available from the Secretariat of the General Bioethics Commission, cgbioetica@ohsjd.org or directly from the Provinces or Centres to which they belong.

Lifesaving intensive treatment of a newborn baby with a hereditary congenital illness. Terminal illness and sedation at the patient's request. Denial of dialysis for a patient with mental incapacity and terminally ill with chronic kidney failure. There are other cases which may be requested directly from the Province.

² **These cases include: Admission to psychiatric inpatient care because of danger to third parties.** Psychiatric inpatient care due to risks to the patient and to third parties. Psychiatric inpatient care for an indefinite period of a potentially very violent patient. Psychosurgery for the disabled and potentially very violent patient. A woman undergoing recuperation who gives up as a result of conjugal abuse. The patient admitted for five months with no alternative for being discharged. A patient diagnosed as autistic held for more than two years in contention at his own request. The residual chronic patient verbalising a sexual relationship with a staff member. Increased antisocial conduct in a patient about to be discharged from a long-stay unit. Professional confidentiality and the risk to third parties by an abuser. Rejection of cancer treatment by an admitted patient. Limiting lifesaving treatment of the 77-year-old patient with severe mental disabilities. Conflict between autonomy and benefit in a physically disabled patient. Disability and coercive admission at the request of the medical profession. Attitude of a professional to the failure of the guardian to perform his duties. The duty to protect third parties and professional confidentiality. Sexual relations in the hospital. Behavioural complications in a patient admitted by order of the court without any clinical justification.