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Present and future in healthcare

Bioethics today:

challenges and commitments for young people

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medical and nursing schools

from scientific expertise
till human skills!
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human life

vulnerability

and finitude
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our hospitals!
from technological ecstasy ...

till the fascination for the human!
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Medicine is a science and an art
With theoretical bases extremely complex and particularly sensitive application, the knowledge that is intrinsic to it has a *source* and a *target*: *the human being*!
And is its “target” that requires the approach between science and ethics...

to convert a cold and anonymous science in a sweet and humanized science,

just now being able to be offered to man as a true scientific “well"
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When doctor and patient are face to face

ethics is there!
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So,

although having to respect the scientific true

our main commitment is with man

mainly while patient
Doctor-patient relationship

an equal relationship

and

an unequal relationship
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INFORMATION

Health communication!

the silence…
the void…
Information to the patient

what is to inform?
inform what? and whom to?

the right to information!
access the information!
the duty to inform!
the right to truth!
Information to the patient

- Want to be informed (Tottus)
- Want not to be informed
- Duty to inform (doctor)
  ≠
  duty to hear information (patient)
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Communicate the truth…

… the truth that you are able to hear
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Information to the patient

Inform the patient

= Information + “something else"
CONFIDENTIALITY

What is it?
What is it not?
Group consultations / multidisciplinary teams

The patient has his doctor before having his medical team!
TREATMENT

The sense of the treatment:

the means and the goal! ...
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TREATMENT

therapeutic relationship --------------- tool

(philanthropy) (philotecny)
TREATMENT  
(ethical value)

Tool----------------- Ø (?)
(philotecny)

→ helpful (curative or palliative)

Purpose

→ futile

(philanthropy)
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TREATMENT

therapeutic decision

B↑  B↓ R↑  B ↓↓ R ↑↑  B0 R ↑↑↑
↓  ↓  ↓  ↓  ↓
start  withhold  withheld  not start

(Bfc)  (NMFC)  (Bfc)  (Bfc / Jst)

(≠ not treat !)
therapeutic suitability

"Therapeutic intensive care"
Therapeutic limitation (n / maleficence)
Therapeutic suspension (beneficence)

≠ therapeutic abandonment
≠ euthanasia!
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therapeutic suitability

... large group of decisions
health team
family (way to go!)
ECH !!!
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therapeutic suitability

... the living will
INFORMED, enlightened and free
CONSENT

exercise of freedom

exercise of individual autonomy
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rights and freedoms

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duties and responsibilities
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Exercise of freedom

human dialogue

Free relationship but "committed"

("Friendship", truth, fear / anxiety, pain ...)

Limits: lower ......
Consent

the autonomy, in time to decide ...

and

the dignity, in time to communicate ...
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Organ transplantation

brain death

heart stopped
Human Research

patients:

not an “object” to treat/research but a “being” to care
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Ressuscitation and Death

- The right to live
- Terminally ill
  "Therapeutic obstinacy"
  "DNR / “AND"
  Palliative care
- Right to have dignity in dying time