

A STRONG MEDICAL SYSTEM RELIES ON PATIENT-PROVIDER RELATIONSHIPS WHERE EVERYONE COMMITS TO ETHICAL PRACTICES. THE CORE PRINCIPLES OF ETHICS IN HEALTH CARE ARE KEY TO BUILDING TRUSTWORTHY HEALTH CARE SETTINGS AND REINFORCING THE HIGHEST STANDARDS OF CARE DELIVERY.

WHO WE ARE

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PRINCIPLES OF ETHICS IN HEALTH CARE

Building Vaccine Equity
During the COVID-19
Pandemic and Beyond



JUSTICE

All persons have equal worth, and health care resources should be fairly allocated among groups. In medical systems, this means making sure no group is given different care based on discrimination. **In regards to the COVID-19 vaccine**, that means making sure all communities have local access to it, and barriers to get it are addressed such as hours of delivery and transportation.

AUTONOMY

Individuals should have the power to make their own health care decisions. In medical research, that means participants should be sufficiently aware of the extent of the use of their bodies to ensure they can provide informed consent. **In regards to the COVID-19 vaccine**, that means providers should give patients information on the benefits and risks of all care delivery options available to them that aligns with their culture and religion.

BENEFICENCE

Doing good is an accountable duty in health care. In medical practice, the professional's oath is to first, do no harm. **In regards to the COVID-19 vaccine**, that means making clinical decisions that support the welfare and benefit of each individual's life, family, and community.

First, Do No Harm



medical oath
& emblem

GUIDED BY THESE PRINCIPLES, WE ACKNOWLEDGE AND ADDRESS THE HISTORY OF HARM TOWARDS PEOPLE OF COLOR BY THE MEDICAL COMMUNITY AND BUILD GREATER TRUST IN OUR DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE.



SPREAD THE WORD

- Ask your health care providers and other care facilities in your community to display copies of this brochure in the waiting room and patient care areas.
- Share this brochure with your friends, family, and neighbors.
- Ask hosts of community events, especially health-centered ones, to distribute this brochure.

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