Retrospective review of ethics consultations conducted at Loyola University Health System from 2008-13

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This study is a retrospective review of clinical ethics consultations from the initiation of an ethics consultation template in EPIC (2008) through 2013. We aim to understand more accurately the demographics, diagnoses, length of stay, and ethical issues of our patients for whom an ethics consult was requested, based on a systematic review of past cases. Using this knowledge, we plan to tailor our educational resources and programs for physicians, nurses, and other healthcare providers and ethicists to address these most frequently encountered ethical issues.

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