TEACHING MEDICAL ETHICS

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ABSTRACT:

All professions are guided and controlled by Ethics, but more emphasis was put on Medical Ethics. Due to rapid advancements in Medicine and allied sciences, Health Professionals paid much of their attention and concern to develop Medical Ethics. Less concern about the criteria and standard regarding the acceptance of students and their numbers to be admitted to most Medical Schools, impose a burden on these medical schools to deal with these situations through Ethics education to their students. Ethics education is well-recognized world wide as so essential to medical students, but few Medical Schools responded positively to this matter in their curricula. Our experience in teaching Medical Ethics at the University of Jordan will be shown through this presentation; to share with you our own experiences, and what steps should be taken to encourage the majority of Medical Schools to add this course to their curricula, and how to consider this as a condition for accreditation of Medical Schools. UNESCO, WHO and other interested and concerned organizations are ready to help in this regard.

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