

## June 2019

### **Palliative care ethical guidelines to assist healthcare practitioners in their treatment of palliative care patients**

1. True (A) or false (B)?  
Palliative care is aimed at supporting patients to live as actively as possible before death. (A)

### **Providing claimants with access to information: A comparative analysis of the Protection of Personal Information Act, Promotion of Access to Information Act and Health Professions Council of South Africa (SA) guidelines**

2. Choose as many answers per question as are applicable:  
It is recommended that healthcare practitioners:
- at least have a policy to clarify access to information procedures in their practices
  - require use of form C for access to information applications
  - require use of form A for access to information applications
  - always inform claimants that they should request access from the instructing body.

### **Is 'decolonisation' a legitimate and appropriate value in biomedical research and teaching?**

3. True (A) or false (B)?  
'The decolonisation of research is legitimate and necessary, but pertains not so much to where the work is done as to what kind of science is being practised' (A)
4. Choose the correct answer (one of a, b, c or d):
- Decolonised theories are legitimately tested when they reflect empirical realities directly.
  - Decolonised theories are oblivious of the need for truth.
  - Decolonised theories are legitimately tested when they facilitate or mediate an emancipatory practice.
  - Decolonised theories are legitimately tested when they are falsified.

### **The effect of the Protecting Life in Global Health Assistance policy in SA: Possible implications for local HIV/AIDS non-governmental organisations (NGOs)**

5. Choose the correct answer (one of a, b, c or d):  
PLGHA applies to which of the following health programmes?
- HIV/AIDS
  - tuberculosis
  - family planning
  - all of the above.

6. Choose the correct answer (one of a, b, c or d):  
A healthcare professional working at an NGO affected by PLGHA may provide a woman with a termination of pregnancy (TOP) referral when:
- The woman is curious about TOP.
  - The woman has declared that she wants a TOP because her life is at risk owing to continued pregnancy.
  - The woman states that her pregnancy is a result of rape and/or incest and she wants a TOP.
  - (b) and (c).

### **Ethical dilemmas in paediatric intensive care in the SA public healthcare sector**

7. True (A) or false (B)?  
There is no ethical justification or framework for rationing healthcare in South Africa. (B)

### **Regulatory challenges relating to tissue banks in SA: Impediments to accessing healthcare**

8. Which of these statements is/are correct? (choose one of a - d)
- There are no regulations relating to biobanks in SA.
  - Biobanks are primarily established for therapeutic objectives.
- Both (i) and (ii) are correct.
  - Both (i) and (ii) are incorrect.
  - Only (ii) is correct.
  - Only (i) is correct.

### **Views of SA biomedical research ethics committee (REC) members on their own ethics review outcomes**

9. While RECs play an important role in protecting research participants, they have been criticised for (choose one of a, b, c, d or e):
- overstepping their scope
  - being too bureaucratic
  - delaying important research
  - all of the above
  - none of the above.
10. Members of two South African RECs independently agreed that which of the following was the most frequently raised ethical issue during review of research protocols?
- risk/benefit ratio
  - independent ethics review
  - informed consent
  - community engagement
  - administrative errors.

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