

29th Annual Thomas A. Pitts Memorial Lectureship in Medical Ethics

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The Thomas A. Pitts Memorial Lectureship is an annual lectureship in medical ethics. This year's topic is The Ethics of Organ Transplantation. We are bringing together organ donors, recipients of organ donation, physicians, philosophers, legal scholars, and public health experts to discuss a wide array of important ethical issues related to organ transplant. Topics include the patient and donor experience, the ethics of the dead donor rule, xenotransplantation, social determinants of transplant, the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act, and disability and transplant.

Thomas Antley Pitts, II, M.D. (1893-1991) served as a member of the Board of the Medical University of South Carolina for thirty-six years and served as its chairman for twenty-five of those years. He left a substantial bequest to the Medical University of South Carolina to endow "a series of lectures on medical ethics." The series has become known as the Pitts Memorial Lectureship, and has been held annually since 1993.



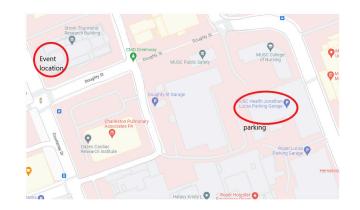
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PROGRAM VENUE:

In-person session will take place at MUSC in the Gazes Auditorium located in the Thurmond/Gazes Research Building at 30 Courtenay Drive, Charleston SC 29425 and is limited to 80 people. The entire lectureship will also be available on-line.

PARKING:

Attendees may park in the **Jonathan Lucas Garage: 97 Jonathan Lucas Street**, near the corner of President and Doughty Streets, directly across from the Clinical Science Building. **Entrance into the garage is on Doughty Street**, immediately behind the College of Nursing Building. (See map)



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Registration
Welcome: David Zaas, MD, MBA, CEO of MUSC Health—Charleston Division
Introductory Comments: Grant Goodrich, PhD
Keynote: Panel on the Experiences of Donation Moderator: Lilian Christon, PhD Everett German; Mary Catherine Dubois; Carrie Lee; Dina Furey
Audience Q & A
SESSION I: Ethics of Transplant Research: NRP DCD and Xenotransplantation Moderator: Robert Sade, MD
John W. Entwistle, MD The Ethics of NRP DCD
Robert Montgomery, MD, PhD The Ethics of Xenotransplantation
Q & A
Coffee Break
SESSION II: It's Time to Abandon the Dead Donor Rule Moderator: Nancy Zisk, JD
Michael Nair-Collins, PhD Ethical Reasons for Abandoning the Dead Donor Rule
Melodie Hengerer, JD The Legal Problems with the Dead Donor Rule
Q & A

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12:20-1:30	Lunch
	SESSION III: The UAGA and Objections to Donation Moderator: Jennifer Baker, PhD
1:30	Ana Iltis, PhD Taking Families Seriously When They Object to Organ Donation
2:00	Thaddeus Pope, JD, PhD, HEC-C Legal and Ethical Arguments for Respecting the Donor's Registration Status
2:30	Q & A
2:45-3:00	Coffee Break
	SESSION IV: Social Determinants and Barriers to Transplant Moderator: Michelle Nichols, PhD, RN
3:00	Enbal Shacham, PhD The determinants of registration
3:30	Aaron Wightman, MD, MA Disability and Transplant
4:00	Q & A
4:15	Panel Discussion — All speakers Moderator: Grant Goodrich, PhD
4:35	Adjourn

SPEAKERS

Mary Catherine Dubois has practiced social work locally for over 3 decades. One of five children, she learned to share with others at an early age. When she learned she only needed one kidney to live, she decided she would one day offer it to someone who needed one. As a Palliative Care Social Worker, she was present when a mother decided to donate her child's organs after a devastating event. That motivated her to call to start the process to see if she qualified to be a kidney donor.

John "Trey" Entwistle MD, PhD is a cardiothoracic academic surgeon at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia. He specializes in heart transplantation, artificial heart, and all forms of cardiac assist devices. He has published numerous peer reviewed publications on the ethics of thoracic organ donation and transplantation, including xenotransplantation. He is actively involved with bioethics nationally through his membership on the Ethics Committee of the American Association for Thoracic Surgery and on the Cardiothoracic Ethics Forum.

Dina Furey is a mother of 2 children, grandmother of 3, and has recently retired from MUSC after 30 years. When her daughter Carrie's kidneys started failing and was put on the transplant list, her plan was to just be a caregiver. After many people signed up to be tested to donate and no one was a match, she decided to step up as a donor. When she was not a match, she decided to participate in the kidney exchange program. February 18, 2020 was one of the hardest and most rewarding days of my life.

Everett German grew up in Mt. Pleasant, SC. In 2009 he discovered that he only had 12 percent of a functioning kidney. Despite his best efforts, his kidney function declined to 5 percent, which meant that he would have to start dialysis and wait for a donated kidney to become available. After five years of taking medication, he received a kidney from his sister Charlene in 2011 at MUSC. He's been sharing his story ever since.

Melodie Hengerer, JD, is an attorney in the Baltimore office of Baker Donelson whose practice includes the representation of a broad range of health care providers, organ procurement organizations (OPOs), tissue banks and other industry clients in navigating complex legal and regulatory challenges related to organ donation and transplantation. Ms. Hengerer's experience also includes advising donor hospitals, transplant centers, and OPOs regarding regulatory and clinical compliance issues, government investigations, navigation of organ allocation and performance measurement standards, reimbursement, contract drafting and negotiation, litigation of claims, corporate governance, health equity in transplantation, and OPO mergers and acquisitions. She is an individual member of the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network (OPTN) and is a passionate advocate for organ and tissue donation. In her free time, Ms. Hengerer enjoys cheering on the UNC Tarheels and spending time with her family and adopted labs, Maggie and Beau.

SPEAKERS

Ana S. Iltis, PhD, is the Carlson Professor of University Studies, Professor of Philosophy, and Director, Center for Bioethics, Health and Society at Wake Forest University. She holds an appointment in the Department of Social Sciences and Health Policy at Wake Forest School of Medicine. Dr. Iltis is Founding Co-Editor of Narrative Inquiry in Bioethics, Associate Editor of the Journal of Medicine and Philosophy, Associate Editor of Christian Bioethics, and co-editor of the Annals of Bioethics series.

Carrie Lee is a Charleston local who received her kidney transplant on 2/18/2020. She inherited her dad's rare Mucin-1 kidney disease that caused her kidneys to fail. After an overwhelming response of donors, no one was the perfect match. Carrie's Mom, Dina Furey, knew she needed to do something and decided to participate in the kidney exchange program. More than 6 individuals' lives were saved in this kidney chain. Carrie now enjoys her new life with loved ones while spreading the word about organ donation and thanking her mom every day for a second chance at life.

Robert Montgomery, MD, PhD, is the Chairman and Professor of Surgery at NYU Langone Health and the Director of the NYU Langone Transplant Institute. He served, for more than a decade as the Chief of Transplant Surgery and The Director of the Comprehensive Transplant Center at Johns Hopkins. He helped develop the laparoscopic procedure for live kidney donation, and the idea of the Domino Paired Donation. He has authored more than 300 articles and has been cited more than 30,00 times. Dr. Montgomery has received numerous awards and distinctions throughout his career. Recently he received the Medal of Excellence Award from the American Association of Kidney Patients and was featured in Newsweek Magazine as one of America's Greatest Disruptors. In 2018, he became a recipient of a heart transplant and is well known for his advocacy for transplant patients.

Michael Nair-Collins, Ph.D., is Associate Professor in the Department of Behavioral Sciences and Social Medicine at Florida State University College of Medicine. A philosopher by training, Dr. Nair-Collins studies death, the mind, and morality, with a particular focus on brain death. He teaches bioethics and health equity in the M.D., M.S., and Ph.D. programs; and is a longstanding member of the College of Medicine's Council on Diversity and Inclusion. Dr. Nair-Collins completed his Ph.D. in Philosophy at the CUNY Graduate Center in 2010, and was an Ethics Fellow at Mt. Sinai School of Medicine from 2007-2010.

SPEAKERS

Thaddeus Pope, JD, PhD, HEC-C, is a professor at Mitchell Hamline School of Law in Saint Paul, Minnesota. Ranked among the Top 20 most-cited health law scholars, Pope has over 250 publications, including The Right to Die: The Law of Endof-Life Decision Making and the Medical Futility Blog. Particularly notable in terms of social impact are clinical practice guidelines for medical aid in dying and several policy guidance statements on ethics in critical care for major professional medical societies. Apart from scholarship, Pope has been a legal consultant and expert witness in court cases involving end-of-life treatment.

Enbal Shacham, **PhD**, is professor at the College for Public Health and Social Justice and the Associate Director of the Taylor Geospatial Institute at Saint Louis University. She has been intersecting public health and geospatial research throughout her career. Her research has explored how social and physical environmental factors and their impact on infectious and chronic diseases by leveraging technological advancements and data to improve health equity. The research she conducts is committed to growing insightful methods to better know and provide real-time data, analyses, and interventions for improving health in communities and clinic settings both domestically and internationally.

Aaron Wightman MD, **MA**, is an Associate Professor of Pediatrics in the Divisions of Bioethics and Palliative Care and Pediatric Nephrology and an Adjunct Associate Professor of Bioethics and Humanities at the University of Washington School of Medicine and co-director of education at the Treuman Katz Center for Pediatric Bioethics at the Seattle Children's Hospital Research Institute. Dr. Wightman's research interests focus on medical decision-making for children with complex, chronic medical conditions. He is the founder and chair of the ethics committee for the American Society of Pediatric Nephrology and recently served on the UNOS ethics committee.

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION CREDIT DESIGNATION

Registration is available at: <u>https://education.musc.edu/leadership/provost/human-values/thomas-pitts-lectureship</u> You will be able to select your preference to attend in-person or online.

PHYSICIANS:

The Medical University of South Carolina designates this live activity for a maximum of 6.25 AMA PRA Category/ CreditsTM. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

OTHER HEALTH PROFESSIONALS:

The Medical University of South Carolina College of Medicine awards up to 0.63 CEUs or 6.3 contact hours (1 contact hour equals 0.1 CEU) to each non-physician participant who successfully completes the educational activity. The CEU (Continuing Education Unit) is a nationally recognized unit of measure for continuing education and training activities that meet specific educational planning requirements. The Medical University of South Carolina maintains a permanent record of participants who have been awarded CEUs.

CHANGES TO CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS:

The Office of Continuing Medical Education (CME) charges \$25.00 for a certificate of attendance FOR ALL NON MUSC Attendees. Credit earned by MUSC Care Team Members will be loaded into CME Tracker and can be printed for an unofficial transcript at no charge.

ACCREDITATION

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