

Time	Topic	Speakers
5	Welcome and Introduction	Nina Davis
25	"The Mesh Mess" - Ethical Considerations in Counseling and Use	Vik Khullar
25	The Treatment of Pain Syndromes: Physician and Patient Perspectives	Antonella Giannantoni
25	Elective Procedures in the Morbidly Obese: What is the Obligation? Where is the Limit?	Kristene Whitmore

Aims of Workshop

Over the past several decades, the patient-health care provider relationship has transformed from that of a patronizing practitioner directing the care of patients without regard to their wishes to that of a practitioner who engages patients in detailed, educational discussions of treatment options as well as potential risks and benefits, enabling them to choose a therapy in accordance with their values, preferences and priorities; i.e., exercising their autonomy. This case-based, interactive workshop will examine the conflict between autonomy and beneficence in the context of 3 contentious medical issues: the use of mesh for pelvic floor reconstruction, pain therapy and surgery for the morbidly obese.

Learning Objectives

To discuss means for managing patients whose choice of therapy is not in their best interest

Target Audience

Urology, Urogynaecology and Female & Functional Urology, Conservative Management

Advanced/Basic

Intermediate

Suggested Learning before Workshop Attendance

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