Bioethics: Principles, Issues, And Cases

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Synopsis

Bioethics: Principles, Issues, and Cases, Third Edition, explores the philosophical, medical, social, and legal aspects of key bioethical issues. Opening with a thorough introduction to ethics, bioethics, and moral reasoning, it then covers influential moral theories and the criteria for evaluating them. Integrating eighty-nine readings—twelve of them new to this edition—numerous classic bioethical cases, and abundant pedagogical tools, this text addresses the most provocative and controversial topics in bioethics. PEDAGOGICAL FEATURES: "Classic Case Files" describe landmark cases that shaped the debate, while news-making "Cases for Evaluation" encourage students to form their own opinions. Various text boxes: "In Depth" boxes contain additional material, illustrations, or analyses, much of it "ripped from the headlines"; "Fact File" boxes provide statistics on the social, medical, and scientific facets of a chapter's topic; and "Legal Brief" boxes summarize important court rulings and the status of major legislation. "Key Terms" are boldfaced and boxed off within the text and then defined in a glossary at the back of the book. "Applying Major Theories" sections at the end of each chapter help students relate theories to the issues.

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"Bioethics strikes a good balance between ethical theory, real-life classic cases, and relevant policy documents. This makes it suitable for students from a wide range of disciplines, from philosophy and public health to medicine and the health sciences. I would recommend this book enthusiastically to all my colleagues who teach introductory bioethics courses. I would highlight its comprehensiveness, its user-friendly format and resources, and its good balance between theory and applications, and between primary texts and case studies." --Assya Pascalev, Howard University

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Difficult subject matter to discuss but this textbook does a really good job. Good examples to explain the concepts. Good case studies to also show the theories involved.

It was the right book for my Bioethics class
Good price, book is really helpful in my online class, I would not find the information I need for my tests just by googling online.

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great value

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