

# Human Rights In Medical Ethics Education

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## **ABSTRACT**

Human rights (HR) is important in medicine; violations in HR not only result in health problems but some kinds of HR violations are possible in treatment by medical professionals themselves. Therefore in medical education, awareness of HR, their reflections in the community and in treatment approaches are essential. This article is devoted to HR in medical ethics as a different educational perspective. The pilot study was carried out in our medical ethics course with a class of third year students at Ankara University School of Medicine during Spring 2000 semester. The study focused on the superiority of an interactive education over a classical education in medical ethics through the problems related to HR. The data reflects that role-playing as one of the interactive learning experiences is the best suited to help medical students achieve the curriculum's educational objectives.

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