

# St. Cloud Hospital Ethics Committee Presents

## Key Strategies for Responding to Patient and Surrogate Requests for Non-Beneficial and Potentially Inappropriate Treatment

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6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

St. Cloud Hospital

Hoppe Auditorium

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*At the conclusion of this activity, the participant should be better able to:*

- 1 Describe widely recognized best practices for resolving disputes concerning nonbeneficial or potentially inappropriate treatment (aka medical futility conflicts).
- 2 Recognize that many medico-legal concerns about writing unilateral orders to withhold or withdraw life sustaining treatment are misplaced and not evidence based.
- 3 Explain how Minnesota law authorizes clinicians and hospitals to withhold or withdraw life-sustaining treatment without patient or substitute decision maker consent when the requested treatment is ineffective or contrary to generally accepted health care standards.

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