

# NEW FRONTIERS IN BIOETHICS

In post-Christian twenty-first century Britain an atheistic worldview and secular humanist ethics are increasingly motivating those who occupy the social and political corridors of power - parliament, the judiciary, the professions, universities, business and the worlds of art, media and entertainment.

In this brave new world autonomy, technology and moral relativism end up ruling by default - autonomy says 'we want it', technology says 'we can do it' and moral relativism asks 'why not?'.

The cultural shift generated by this is driving us into a new world of alternative families, sex-change therapies, transhumanism, nanotechnology, three-parent embryos, DNA editing, robotics and cybernetics.

How should we think through these new ethical issues from a biblical perspective? Where do we draw the line between good medicine and mere meddling, between restoration and enhancement, between good stewardship and playing God? How can we as Christian health professionals be both salt and light - affirming what is good and rejecting what is bad without sounding shrill, judgemental and irrelevant? Should we try to 'turn the tide' or just 'strengthen what remains'? Should we withdraw or engage?

Join us to grapple with these vital issues from a Christian and medical perspective.

Addenbrooke's offers an ideal venue with refreshments provided and opportunities for fellowship with friends old and new.

This day conference is open to all healthcare professionals and students. Spouses and friends are also welcome.

# PROGRAMME

#### SATURDAY 12 MARCH

09.30	Registration
10.00	Introduction and welcome
10.10	Understanding the times
	Peter Saunders
10.40	Biblical reflections
	Trevor Stammers
11.10	Coffee
11.30	Case studies
	Philippa Taylor
12.00	Three-parent embryos and DNA editing
	Trevor Stammers
12.30	Lunch
13.30	Robotics, transhumanism, cybernetics
	and smart drugs
	Philippa Taylor
14.00	Homosexuality and gender dysphoria
	Peter Saunders
14.30	Coffee
15.00	Panel discussion
	Main speakers
16.00	Close

### CONTRIBUTORS

#### Peter Saunders

is CMF Chief Executive.

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is Programme Director in Bioethics and Medical law at St Mary's University, Twickenham. He also teaches bioethics, philosophy of health and issues in science and religion in the BA Philosophy programme.

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East Anglia Day Conference, 12 March 2016 Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge CB2 0QQ

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Conference fee	£40			
Foundation year doctors	£25			
Retired doctors	£20			
Nurses & Midwives	£20			
Allied health professionals	£20			
Students & unwaged	£10			
Total	,	£		-

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#### DIRECTIONS

Clinical School, Addenbrooke's Hospital Hills Road, Cambridge, CB2 OQQ

Travel details can be found at: **W:** www.addenbrookes.org.uk

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