

Terminology: Legal Ethical

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Bioethics: the study of ethical issues related to biology and medicine

Confidentiality: an individual's right to have information, such as medical records, kept private

conflict of interest: a situation in which a person's professional judgment or actions may be influenced by an interest (example, a researcher's study conclusions may be influenced by a funding source)

informed consent: ensures that a patient or client understands the purpose, benefits, and potential risks before participating in an intervention

scope of practice: actions a health care provider is allowed to take, according to the terms of their professional license