

## **Teaching Ethics: What can the Professions Learn from Each Other?**

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College of Physicians and Surgeons  
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William M. Sage, Professor of Law at Columbia University, is the course director for courses in health law, regulatory theory, and the professions. Professor Sage's areas of expertise are managed care, health care information, antitrust, medical malpractice, insurance coverage determinations, and the regulation of health care professionals. He currently serves as Principal Investigator for the Project on Medical Liability in Pennsylvania, a two-year study funded by The Pew Charitable Trusts.

The Center for Bioethics faculty expressed a need to hear how different members of the Columbia University faculty educate students in the field of bioethics. Dr. Sage was our invited speaker to respond to this need.

Given his broad-based expertise, it is no wonder that Dr. Sage offers a brilliant and popular course in bioethics at the Law School. In this lecture, he presented pedagogical strategies he uses, including case-based problem-oriented seminars, and inviting medical students to join in with his law students, creating a mix that results in a rich, stimulating, cross-disciplinary discussion.