**Medical Ethics and Law**

The primary care rotation is part of the vertical integration programme for medical ethics and law. The aim of this programme is to help you apply and integrate your teaching in ethics and law into clinical practice.

During your GP attachment you will be expected to identify and critically reflect on ethical issues raised by individual cases and to incorporate this analysis into your clinical decision making. This will be assessed as part of your patient project. Your ability to discuss ethical issues in your significant event analysis will also be assessed.

We have created a series of e-modules to help you refresh yourself on the key areas in ethics and law. The e-modules are in the Year 5 Ethics and Law area on Blackboard.   
They are based on teaching material in Year 2 and 3, so that the content should be familiar to you. There are 6 e-modules:

1. Consent, Capacity and Refusals in Adults
2. Confidentiality
3. Resource allocation
4. Children and the law
5. Abortion and disability
6. The Mental Capacity Act

The e-modules are designed to be used flexibly. Each module has a self-assessment section for you to review your learning and understanding. By the end of Year 5 you should have completed all six modules. During this attachment the **self-assessment section of the confidentiality e-module** is part of your assessment. Please print off your e-module self-assessment report and submit it with the rest of your coursework.

**If you are having problems accessing the Confidentiality e-module please see below**

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