



## Privacy and confidentiality concerns

- Privacy upholds all four medical principles,
- The cornerstone in medical practice
- Train staff about privacy
- What happens if a patient does not trust you?
- Privacy and confidentiality go hand in hand with the principle of autonomy
- Confidentiality is crucial to respecting autonomy
- It's important to remember that in medical ethics, the law really is the lowest common denominator
- To be the best healthcare provider, go beyond the law and add compassion, respect, and honesty to your practice

## Reproduction and beginning-of-life issues Reproduction includes access to birth control, abortion, the right of a woman to choose or refuse care the rights of the fetus reproductive technologies, and access to care. Autonomy often comes into conflict with the other principles in reproductive issues simply because these matters are so personal For instance, a pregnant woman is allowed to refuse healthcare for her and her fetus up until the moment of birth. This falls within the Autonomy principle assisted reproduction can raise many ethical issues. How do we balance risk and harm to the mother and fetus? Who should receive genetic screening, and how do you prepare your patient for the results? What are your responsibilities toward your patient as you try to provide the best care?





