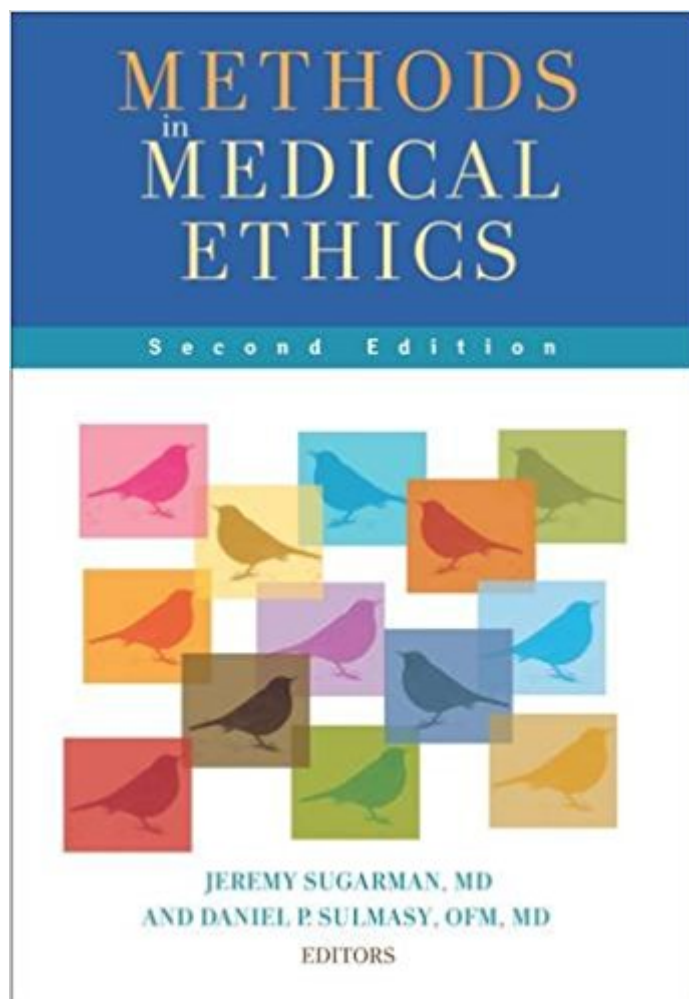


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It's a very thoughtful, learned engagement with the burgeoning field of medical ethics. It is useful as an introduction to this field which is the topic of study in a wide variety of disciplines, from theology and philosophy to medicine and law. It is most helpful in aiding students who wish to dialogue with a variety of disciplinary approaches.

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those interested in medical ethics in scholarly fashion and every chapter has been written by a distinguished scholar; the list of contributors include names like Pellegrino, Jonsen etc... If you are interested in medical/biomedical ethics in a professional manner, (researcher, author, educator...) you would be doing yourself a favor by buying this book. Btw, I once had the chance to talk to one of the authors (Dr. Sugarman) at an international congress and he said that a second edition was on the way...

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