

## ***Questions and Answers from the Live Event Posed by the Audience***

**Webinar Title: Cultural Considerations for the Ethically Aware Clinician**

**Date: Wednesday, January 18, 2012 from 3pm-4pm EST**

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### **Question #1:**

*The presenter mentioned a code/law at the beginning of the seminar...I did not catch the numbers. Please provide them.*

#### **Answer:**

Referenced: NAADAC/NCC Code of Ethics, Revised 2010

(<http://www.naadac.org/membership/code-of-ethics>); other code that may have been reference under Ethical Attributes: Discretion would have been 42 CFR, Part 2 - Federal Confidentiality Law

([http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx\\_02/42cfr2\\_02.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_02/42cfr2_02.html)).

### **Question #2:**

*Are there other decision making orientations than the three presented: absolutism, consequentialism, and intentionalism?*

#### **Answer:**

Other orientations referenced are Formalist, which is where the individual focuses on current laws, believing you have rules/laws for a reason and they must be followed. Next is Equalizer, individual enters the problem solving process without bias or preconceived ideas. He/she understands situations very fully and appreciates all sides. May have difficulty sometimes making a final decision due to consideration of all components. Utilitarian, while considering all sides will usually lean toward solution that serves the needs of the greatest number, practicing what might be called situational ethics.