

Palliative patient vulnerability in the context of Bioethical approaches

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Introduction

Bioethics analysis of vulnerability in medical activity is often reported to the autonomy of the patient. The understanding of vulnerability in the palliative act submits a broader investigation to understand its manifestation, being dependent on the physical, mental and social peculiarities of the palliative patient.

Keywords

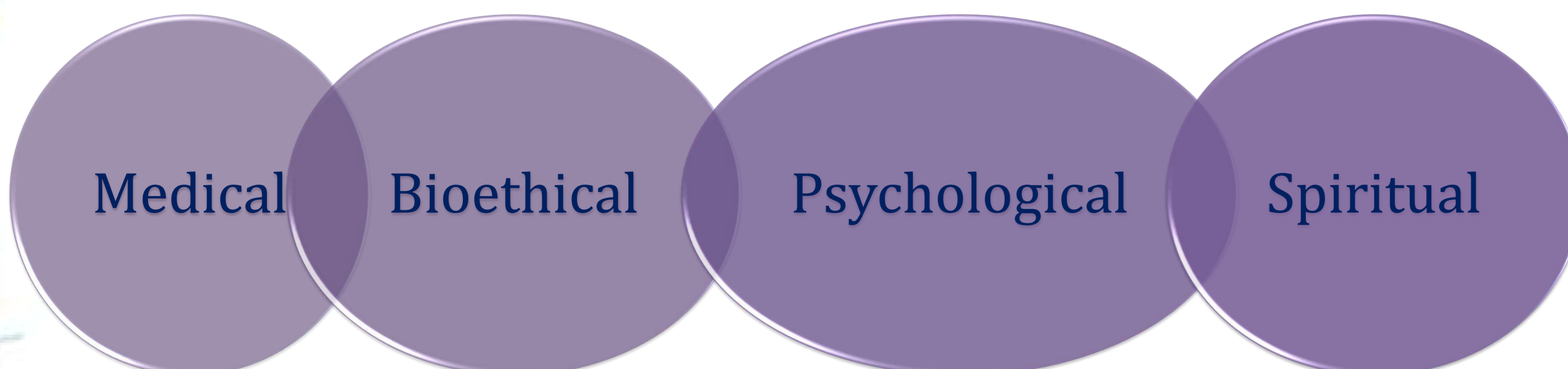
bioethics, vulnerability, palliative care.

Purpose

Analysis of vulnerable components in palliative patient medication.

Conclusions

Bioethical approaches in the context of the vulnerability of the palliative patient involve interdisciplinary care of the palliative patient.



Material and methods

Criteria for the selection of scientific papers

1. Studies conceptually addressing the subject of vulnerability in palliative care.
2. Empirical research reflecting the manifestation of vulnerability both mental and social of the palliative patient.
3. Articles addressing bioethical topics in the context of palliative care from the perspective of vulnerability.

Results

Communicative vulnerability

- Unbearable pain
- Depression
- Becoming introvert
- Fear
- etc

Decisional vulnerability

- Infirmity
- Lack of powers
- Loss of confidence in one's own forces
- etc

Social vulnerability

- Sense of burden
- Loneliness
- Change of family relationships at the same time as the advancement of the disease
- etc

Institutional vulnerability

- Lack of qualified medical workers
- Lack of spaces
- Dependence on local and central authorities
- etc