

Nonmaleficence

Values-based medicine (VsBM) is an ethical [concept](#), and bioethical [framework](#) has been developed to ensure that medical [ethics](#) and values are implemented, pervasive, and powerful parameters influencing decisions about health, clinical practice, teaching, medical [industry](#), [career](#) development, [malpractice](#), and [research](#). [Neurosurgeons](#) tend to adopt ethics according to their own values and to what they see and learn from [teachers](#). Neurosurgeons, in general, are aware about ethical codes and the patient's rights. However, the [philosophy](#), [concept](#), and [principles](#) of medical ethics are rarely included in the training programs or in training [courses](#). The impact of implementing, observing the medical ethics and the patients' value and culture on the course, and outcome of patients' [management](#) should not underestimate. The main principles of medical ethics are [autonomy](#), [beneficence](#), [nonmaleficence](#), [justice](#), [dignity](#), and [honesty](#), which should be strictly observed in every step of medical [practice](#), [research](#), teaching, and [publication](#). [Evidence-based medicine](#) has been popularized in the last 40-50 years in order to raise up the [standard](#) of medical [practice](#). Medical ethics and values have been associated with the medical practice for thousands of years since patients felt a need for treatment. There is no conflict between evidence-based medicine and values-based medicine, as a medical practice should always be performed within a frame of ethics and respect for patients' values. Observing the principles of values-based medicine became very relevant as multicultural societies are dominant in some countries and hospitals in different corners of the world ¹⁾.

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