Blank Ethical Decision-Making Matrix

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| **Steps** | **Information** | |
| 1. What is the question? |  | |
| 1. What is my “gut” reaction? | What is your first reaction to this case on an emotional level?  What assumptions are you making? What biases do you have? | |
| 1. What are the facts? | **KNOWN** | **TO BE GATHERED** |
| 1. What are the values?   Examine the shared and competing values, obligations, and interests of the many stakeholders in order to fully understand the complexity of the ethical problem(s).  STAKEHOLDERS  Patient, family, HCM professional(s), health care professionals, administrators, society, and others appropriate to the issue. | **Patient:**  **HCM Professional(s):**  **Healthcare professional(s):**  **Administrators:**  **Society:**  **Others as appropriate:** | |
| 1. What are my options? |  | |
| 1. What should I do? |  | |
| 1. What justifies my choice? | **JUSTIFIED** | **NOT JUSTIFIED** |
| 1. How can I prevent this problem? |  | |

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