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Research Ethics

Research ethics tends to be a complex topic, which means that important aspects of this subject need to be broken down into pieces to reach a full understanding. An analysis of the term ethics needs to be completed. An ordered list needs to be created to understand the main points of research ethics.

Analyzing the word “ethics” is a very important process. When one thinks about the term ethics, most people recognize their definition to be “a code of conduct”. A more technical definition of ethics is “a method, procedure, or perspective for deciding how to act and for analyzing complex problems and issues” (Resnik, J.D.). With this in mind, one should notice that this procedure is involved in everyday life, including writing research papers.

Research papers take a lot of time an effort to create. One aspect that I have not mentioned in my series of papers is that one needs to follow certain steps to achieve a certain code of ethics in the research paper created. Five principles have been identified to ensure that normalized ethics are followed in writing a research paper. First, the author needs to minimize the risk of harm. Second, a paper stating a variant on informed consent needs to be established for the public. Third, anonymity and confidentiality need to be created. Fourth, deceptive practices should be avoided at all costs. Finally, the right to withdraw needs to be established for the people involved in the making of the paper (Lærd dissertation).

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