

PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL ON BIOETHICS EXECUTIVE ORDER

- to undertake fundamental inquiry into the human and moral significance of developments in biomedical and behavioral science and technology;
- to explore specific ethical and policy questions related to these developments;
- to provide a forum for a national discussion of bioethical issues;
- to facilitate a greater understanding of bioethical issues; and
- to explore possibilities for useful international collaboration on bioethical issues.



EXECUTIVE ORDER, CONT'D

- The Council shall be guided by the need to articulate fully the complex and often competing moral positions on any given issue, rather than by an overriding concern to find consensus.
- The Council may therefore choose to proceed by offering a variety of views on a particular issue, rather than attempt to reach a single consensus position.

