

“The doctor”

The film “The doctor” which was directed by Randa Hairnes is built around a heart surgeon called Dr. Jack Mckee who was a talented doctor but lacks in emotional care towards his patients. Thus, he treats his patients as names on the list or according to their names of the diseases, but he doesn’t pay attention on their emotional aspects. This film was able to highlight so many ethical issues related to medical professionalism.

Dr. Jack Mackee was a talented, cool, self-centered surgeon who is in successful life until he is diagnosed as having cancer of the throat. After having a cancer of the throat he realized that what are negligence, indifferences and humiliations which may have experienced in hospitals. Ignoring his wife, Dr. Jcak even seeks moral support from a woman dying of a brain tumor.

As the movie starts it gives an idea on the situation in theater, it is with loud music, chattering and laughing among the crew which is not suitable for such place. Even outside the theater. The surrounding is not good for the patient’s emotional conditions. Actually he doesn’t think how these patients suffer emotionally by being sick.

Due to the tumor growth in his throat his life changes. He has to see doctors, undergo various investigations and he begins to feel sad of being a patient. Thus he experienced his life as a patient with cancer. At this stage of his life Dr. Jack gets treatments by a dental surgeon. She also doesn’t care on patients mental or emotional back ground. So, here we can see many ethical issues also. In this case he has seen medicine, hospitals, and doctors from a patient’s perspective, he realizes that there is more to being a doctor than surgery and prescriptions, and more to life than saving only his own needs.

At the radiotherapy unit Dr. Jack meets June Ellis, a fellow cancer patient who has an inoperable brain tumor. And she is able to change the Jack’s mind and she gets him to promise never lie or mislead a patient again. Jacks begin to back at the medical establishment. Jack and June take off to see a native Indian show but the face is too much for her. His wife, meanwhile, struggles to understand Jack’s relationship with June.

At the end of the film Jack’s cancer is treated and cured, but June dies. The experience changes Jack forever. When he returns to work, he begins to teach new medical interns about the importance of showing caring, compassion, and sensitivity towards their patients, which help them to be good doctors. Thus, the movie teaches us the duty of a doctor is not only to prevent

death of person or prescribing medicine to protect lives but also to improve the quality of life of patient.

Patch Adams

The film "Patch Adams" directed by Tom Shadyac is based on the book *Gesundheit: Good Health is a Laughing Matter* by Hunter Doherty Adams with Maureen Mylander. It presents the true story of a Virginia medical student who breaks all the rules by daring to proclaim that the best medicine for patients is listening, love, compassion, laughter and play.

As the movie opens, a suicidal Patch has checked into a mental hospital. There he finds that the doctors don't help him but the patients do. Where Patch met a psychiatric patient with a problem called "Rudy", the patient thinks there are so many squirrels in the room and who come to bite him. He becomes crazier when these feelings come to his mind. In this case, Patch recognized the problem and helped to patient by being a close friend to him. And Patch realized that how important to be a good doctor who care patient with love and compassion. After that Patch determines to become a doctor in order to help people and enrolls in medical school. After entering the medical school he starts to visit patients, even he is in first year. But the director of the hospital restricts his freedom of visit patient. But he is unable to stop that action of Patch as Patch says that those people are his friends. During works at hospital, when a patient is referred to by bed number or disease, Patch reasonably asks "what's her name?" It shows medical ethic that should be improved in our medical carrier.

When he visits a pediatric ward, he is trying to get attention of little children by wearing a red rubber nose. Here the lesson of "Patch Adams" is that laughter is the best medicine.

Patch is very friendly with his colleges as well as hospital staff. Thus, hospital staff always helps to Patch in many situations. This shows the importance of team work in health care profession.

Although Patch had the highest grades in the class, Patch was always getting in trouble from his teachers when he tried to get closer to patients. And he always hated the American health care system, where you had to pay and sign tons of documents before being treated, no matter what was your problem. Finally Patch decided to find a way around this, in which he crested the *Gesundheit* hospital which treats people for free and with laughter. But hunter's lover was murdered by a patient who came to the hospital. This shows that all human beings are not worthy of trust. But doctors have duty to protect the patient's confidentiality.

And building trust is very important since doctors in some cases must prescribe lifesaving remedies. If the patient doesn't trust his or her doctor, they might not trust the doctor's diagnosis and this could ultimately lead to the patient not following the doctor's instructions

properly. Because of that doctors should win the trust of patient, and they have to use different tactics to get it. The tactics that Patch used is humor.

So this wonderful film shows how important the medical ethics to protect the life of patient and it gives message to both medical students and doctors “how much one person can do when they put their selfishness aside and just love people”.