HHEAT:
Humanitarian Health Ethics Analysis Tool

1. **Identify/Clarify Ethical Issue:**
   What is at stake and for whom?

2. **Gather Information:**
   What do we need to know to assess the issue?

3. **Review Ethical Issue:**
   Does information gathered lead us to reformulate the issue?

4. **Explore Ethics Resources:**
   What can help us make a decision?

5. **Evaluate & Select the Best Option:**
   What options are possible and which is the “best” under the circumstances?

6. **Follow-Up:**
   What can we learn from this situation and what supports are needed?

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<td>Is it really an ethical issue? What is at stake and for whom? How is the issue perceived from different perspectives? When must a decision be made? Who is responsible for making it? What has been done so far?</td>
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| 2.   | What information is needed to deliberate well about this issue and enable us to make a well-considered decision? What constraints to information gathering exist? Consider:  
   a) Resource Allocation and Clinical Features  
   b) Participation, Perspectives and Power  
   c) Community, Projects and Policies |
| 3.   | Does the process so far reveal new aspects of the ethical issue or suggest the need to reformulate or redefine the issue? Have our biases/interests affected how we see the issue? |
| 4.   | What values and norms ought to inform our decision making? Consider: professional moral norms and guidelines for healthcare practice; human rights and international law; ethical theory; local norms, values and customs. |
| 5.   | What options are possible in this situation and what ethical values support each option? What consequences might result from each option? Can consequences, values and obligations be reconciled? |
| 6.   | What can we learn from this situation? What support do those involved need? |

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