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Stellingen

Behorende bij het proefschrift:

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1. When selecting candidates for cardiac resynchronization therapy multiple clinical factors should be considered, including sex, QRS morphology and QRS duration. *(this thesis, dit proefschrift)*
2. Left bundle branch block configuration is needed for a positive response to cardiac resynchronization therapy. *(this thesis, dit proefschrift)*
3. A shorter QRS duration is needed to diagnose left bundle branch block in women versus men. *(this thesis, dit proefschrift)*
4. Cardiac resynchronization therapy is more effective in women than in men. *(this thesis, dit proefschrift)*
5. Het belang van de patiënt zou moeten prevaleren boven het medisch-ethische aspect in de Nederlandse artseneed.
6. Gelden, middelen en inspanning voor de ouderenzorg in Nederland zouden moeten worden aangewend om het leven menswaardig te verlengen, en niet om het sterven mensonterend te vertragen.
7. In de huidige geneeskunde opleiding zou meer nadruk moeten liggen op patiëntgerichte toetsing met attitudevorming, communicatievaardigheden en empathie.
8. Een levensloop bestendige inkomstenbelasting gecombineerd met een geïndexeerd genormaliseerd "lifetime" bestedingspatroon zou de basis moeten vormen voor de beslissing of men – indien eigen middelen of verzekeringsuitkeringen ontoereikend zijn – uit gemeenschapsgelden een uitkering kan krijgen voor zorg.
9. Een internationale ervaring zou een verplicht onderdeel moeten zijn van elke academische opleiding.
10. "A man who has never gone to school may steal from a freight car; but if he has a university education, he may steal the whole railroad". *(Theodore Roosevelt)*
11. New information about cardiac resynchronization therapy in women, as detected in this thesis, underscores the value of combining clinical trial datasets and provides additional value to society. *(valorization of this thesis, valorisatie van dit proefschrift)*