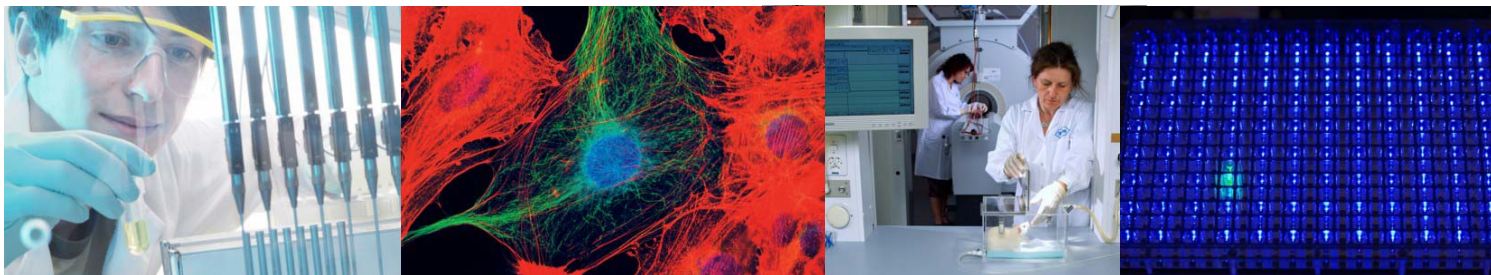


New Choices, New Responsibilities Programme



What is the “New Choices, New Responsibilities” programme?

The “New Choices, New Responsibilities: Ethical Issues in the Life Sciences” programme is an education partnership which supports a curriculum supplement and training workshop on bioethics for secondary teachers.

How does it work?

For more than 15 years Roche has supported the New Jersey Science Education Leadership Association in implementing “New Choices, New Responsibilities”, which offers both a resource and tool for bioethics education and professional development for middle and high school science teachers. Developed in cooperation with The Hastings Center of Briarcliffe, New York, “New Choices, New Responsibilities” provides teachers with material on bioethical issues for classroom discussions on AIDS, animals in science, genetics, transplantation and the environment. Using a case study method, it is designed to develop strategies of ethical analysis and to engage students on current life science issues that affect their lives. Roche has sponsored regional training seminars in New Jersey and South Carolina, preparing teachers to integrate bioethics education as part of their secondary science curriculum.

Facts & Figures

- More than 1,100 teachers trained
- Reaching more than 35,000 students over 15 years

What impact does it have?

The programme provides teachers – and ultimately students – with insight, understanding, a balanced perspective and analytical capacity for emerging complex issues in bioethics. The programme identifies Roche as a leader, catalyst and collaborator in current and critical areas of the life sciences.

Why?

Roche's core value of innovation thrives on the long-term availability and sustained engagement of curious minds, disciplined researchers, visionary scientists and energized partners. As well as confronting science students with important issues, this programme helps to enhance and update the competence and confidence of secondary science teachers, build a pool of future talent, and increase scientific literacy among the general public.

Who are our partners?

New Jersey Science Education Leadership Association

Science South, South Carolina

Hastings Center, New York