Rediscovering Ourselves: *moving beyond the rhetoric of Social Accountability*

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A Profession

- *Is responsible for stewardship and application of a particular body of knowledge*
- *Carries an obligation to use that knowledge for the benefit of others*
- *This is our **social contract** as professionals*

- Sister Eliz Davis

The way the *profession* is seen

The way we might be

Why now?

"The crisis of our time relates not to technical competence, but to a loss of the social and historical perspective, to the disastrous divorce of competence from conscience."

- Ernest Boyer

It is the curse of humanity that it learns to tolerate even the most horrible situations by habituation. Physicians are the natural attorney of the poor and the social problems should largely be solved by them.

- Rudolf Virchow