Justice and the allocation of resources is one of the crucial topics in health care ethics for the twenty-first century. This talk distinguishes justice in “the broad sense” (roughly doing what is right) from justice in “the narrow sense” (distributing available resources according to some predetermined pattern of what is fair or equitable). Several different patterns will be identified and distributions based on them will be distinguished from distributions designed to maximize the good. Health care ethics that includes a principle of justice will be contrasted with the ethics of the Hippocratic Oath or the Florence Nightingale Pledge, which strives merely to maximize the good for the individual patient. Among patterns that have been proposed for a fair distribution, a Rawlsian “maximin” pattern that strives to make the worst off as well-off as possible will be contrasted with what can be called “true egalitarian justice” (striving to make people more equal in characteristics such as health status). The talk will end with a discussion of the resolution of conflicts among various principles of resource allocation. The talk will be illustrated throughout with a series of challenging case studies.