

Converging Roads – Archdiocese of New Orleans  
Notre Dame Seminary | March 14, 2020

## DIGNITY AND DISABILITY IN MEDICINE

7:00 AM	REGISTRATION/BREAKFAST BEGINS
7:30 AM	MASS
8:30 AM	OPENING REMARKS
8:40 – 9:40 AM	A LIFE WORTH LIVING: DIGNITY, HOPE, AND COMPASSION IN THE FACE OF DISABILITY J. D. Flynn
9:45 – 10:45 AM	THE IMPACT OF DISABILITIES ON DETERMINING WHETHER CARE IS MORALLY OBLIGATORY OR OPTIONAL John Meinert, PhD
10:45 – 11:00 AM	BREAK
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	ACCOMPANYING THE DISABLED IN UTERO AND IN THE FIRST YEAR OF LIFE: MEDICAL AND PASTORAL INTERVENTIONS DiAnn Ecret, PhD, MSN, RN, MA
12:00 – 1:40 PM	HIPPOCRATIC OATH LUNCHEON
12:35 – 1:35 PM	CREATING HOSPITALS AND CLINICS THAT ARE PATIENT-CENTRIC AND HONOR THE DIGNITY OF THE PERSON Thomas Neal, PhD, and Landon Roussel, MD
1:35 – 1:40 PM	RECITATION OF THE PROMISE OF THE CATHOLIC HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL
1:40 – 2:00 PM	BREAK
2:00 – 3:00 PM	PREVENTING DISABILITY THROUGH GENETIC TESTING, GENETIC COUNSELING, AND GENETIC ENGINEERING Stacy A. Trasancos, PhD
3:05 – 4:05 PM	THE ETHICS OF REFUSING TREATMENT FOR PATIENTS WHO ARE ACTIVELY DYING OR DEMENTED Deacon Alan Rastrelli, MD
4:05 – 4:20 PM	BREAK
4:20 – 5:20 PM	LEGAL AND CULTURAL CHALLENGES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE TARGETED FOR DEATH Stephen Mikochik, JD
5:20 PM	CLOSING REMARKS
5:30 – 6:15 PM	WINE & CHEESE NETWORKING RECEPTION