

**Converging Roads:
Catholic Medicine in a Secular Society
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Objectives:

- Discuss the basis for the sanctity of human life.
- Describe how the human person images God.
- Discuss what it means to speak of the dignity of the person and how this dignity impacts medical care.
- Discuss medical psychosocial realities of gender dysphoria.
- Identify anthropological and medical basis for medical and psychological interventions.
- Describe medical outcomes of puberty suppression and gender reassignment and whether these interventions are in keeping with medical data and best patient outcomes.
- Study the medical literature on gender dysphoria in adult and pre-adult population.
- Describe the challenges of a Christian healthcare provider in serving the whole person in an era of secular medical ethics.
- Identify means of maintaining the integrity of faith and reason in the current cultural environment.
- List ways for the medical professional to maintain a proper lived understanding of freedom and conscience in the face of a secularized medical ethic.
- Define the basic principles of solidarity and subsidiarity.
- Identify how care for the sick, disabled, and dying is rooted in the principles of solidarity and subsidiarity.
- Indicate how patient care and communication with patients and their families is improved by a commitment to solidarity and subsidiarity.
- Define proportionate and disproportionate and provide specific examples.
- Identify the weaknesses of the language of utility in decision making.
- Describe the criteria used to determine whether a treatment is morally obligatory (proportionate) or morally optional (disproportionate).
- Describe the medical options for a family struggling with infertility.
- Provide insight into the emotional and psychological suffering associated with infertility.
- Identify best practices for psycho-social support, treatment and intervention on behalf of patients.
- Discuss how to offer spiritual care to patients who are of different faiths than the medical and spiritual care team.
- Illustrate how to offer robust spiritual care to patients who are Catholic.
- Describe how to navigate scenarios when the medical team or hospital has a patient with positions and wishes that are contrary to the medical or ethical position of the practitioner or hospital.

Agenda

TIME	TOPIC TITLE	FACULTY NAME	NUMBER OF CREDITS
9:20 AM – 10:20 AM	The Dignity of the Person	Sister Terese Auer, OP, PhD	1 HR
10:25 AM – 11:25 AM	Moral Decision-Making: Proportionate and Disproportionate Care	Rev. Tadeusz Pacholczyk, PhD	1 HR
11:40 AM – 12:40 PM	Solidarity and Subsidiarity	Sister Mary Diana Dreger, OP, MD	1 HR

1:10 AM – 2:10 PM	Sacramental and Spiritual Care for the Dying: Suffering, Compassion, and Hope	Msgr. James P. Shea	1 HR
2:35 AM – 3:35 PM	Gender Dysphoria in Children and Adults: Science, Ideology, and Ethics	Paul Hruz, MD, PhD	1 HR
3:40 AM – 4:40 PM	Infertility and Surrogacy	Mary M. Paquette, MD, and Roland Millare, STD	1 HR
4:55 AM – 5:55 PM	The Health Care Worker in an Era of Secular Medical Ethics	John I. Lane, MD	1 HR
TOTAL			7 HRS

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