



Converging Roads Conference: Sexuality & Fertility in Medicine
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Objectives:

- Describe ethical issues regarding interventions utilized in Fertility Awareness Based Methods.
- Describe how utilizing Fertility Awareness Based Methods assist in the flourishing of the whole human person and empower a woman to better understand her body, menstrual cycle, and physiology.
- Assess how Fertility Awareness Based Methods are used to monitor women's health and facilitate the diagnosis and treatment of various women's medical conditions such as Endometriosis and Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome.
- Discuss the varying ethical and health concerns related to surrogacy and IVF.
- Differentiate between the health disparities between surrogate pregnancies as contrasted with non-surrogate pregnancies.
- Evaluate the present cultural and medical approaches to surrogacy in light of varying examples.
- Describe how restorative reproductive medicine seeks to cooperate with or restore the normal anatomy and physiology of the reproductive system.
- Appraise the unique approaches of Catholic health care providers in offering care for women that affirms their dignity and needs.
- Explore medical care that respects ways women bring life, love, and their feminine genius.
- Describes how NaPro Technology optimizes the natural reproductive system.
- Differentiates between the use of NaPro Technology and Artificial Reproductive Technologies in their contrasting approaches to the human person and the reproductive system.
- Assess how NaPro Technology promotes fertility awareness that is consonant with the full flourishing of the patient.

- Discuss the medical options for a couple struggling with infertility.
- Describe the emotional, spiritual, and psychological suffering associated with infertility.
- Evaluate the best standards of care and support, treatment, and intervention for patients and families struggling with infertility.

Agenda

TIME	TOPIC TITLE	FACULTY NAME	NUMBER OF CREDITS
9:25 – 10:25 AM	Fertility Awareness Based Methods and the Treatment of Infertility	Marguerite Duane, MD, MHA, FAAFP	1.0 Hour
11:45 AM – 12:45 PM	NaPro Technology and Human Flourishing	Sr. Renee Mirkes, OSF, PhD	1.0 Hour
1:15 – 2:15 PM	Spiritual and Familial Support When Suffering with Infertility	Marguerite Duane, MD, MHA, FAAFP; Jamie Hernandez, MD; Sr. Renee Mirkes, OSF, PhD	1.0 Hour
2:40 – 3:40 PM	Treating the Female Patient through Restorative Medicine	Jamie Hernandez, MD	1.0 Hour
3:50 – 4:50 PM	Science and Ethics of Surrogacy	Kallie Fell, MS, BSN, RN	1.0 Hour
TOTAL			5 Hours

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