

Strategy meetings

Euthanasia/PAS strategy meeting (Friday afternoon)

Facilitator: Larry Worthen, BA, MA(Th.), LLB

To provide updates on the current legal and organizational (CMA) situation for PAS/E. To discuss strategies moving forward on how to address the issue from an advocacy point of view.

Student mentorship strategy meeting (Saturday afternoon)

Facilitator: Sheila Harding, MD

In order to respond to the need for formation of new students and residents, this session will explore current strategies that are being used to address students who are learning in a hostile environment, as well as what potential strategies could be implemented to improve student/resident mentorship.

Registration:

Two Ways to Register: Fill out the form and mail it to us;
OR call toll-free at 1-888-256-8653

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Delegate Name: _____

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City: _____ PC: _____

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\$ _____ for meals for _____ children, ages _____

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Registration Costs

The Federation of Catholic Physicians Societies meeting begins with the AGM at 4pm on June 12. The fee schedule below applies to this start time. The CMDS meeting will begin on the Thursday night; if Federation members would like to attend the longer conference beginning on Thursday night, additional fees will apply.

	Early (before Apr 12/15)	Late (after Apr 12/15)
Individuals	\$365	\$415
Couples	\$690	\$790
Priest/Resident/Retired (per person)	\$290	\$340
Students	\$140	\$140

Note: Refunds cannot be given after May 8, 2015.

Hotel Information

The Fairmont Palliser
133 9th Ave SW
Calgary AB T2P

Toll Free: (Room reservations only) 1-800-441-1414
For online reservations please see CMDCanada.org for the link.

Deadline for hotel reservations is April 27/15.

Hotel guestrooms are \$169/night for a room in the Fairmont category. A limited number of alternate room types may also be available at conference rates. Please contact the hotel. Rates apply to single and double occupancy. Each extra person sharing a room will be charge an additional \$30 per night.

Please call 403-260-1230 or 1-800-441-1414 and identify yourself as being with CMDS 2015 Conference or reservation ID #0615CMDS_001.

Ground Transportation

You are responsible for your own transportation arrangements.

Group Link

Small groups (8-10 per group) will be formed to promote fellowship and encourage further reflection on plenary presentations.

Music and Worship

Dr. Robin Cottle is kind enough to coordinate the music and worship for this event once again. To take part, please contact him at robcottle@mac.com.

Diet

Please inform us of special dietary restrictions.

Annual General Meeting

All members are encouraged to attend the AGM of the Canadian Federation of Catholic Physicians Societies on Friday, June 12/15 @ 4:00pm. Just prior to the AGM will be the Euthanasia/PAS strategy meeting at 2:45 pm that members are also welcome to attend.

Media

Participants are advised that pictures and videos may be taken during the conference for the purpose of recording and promoting CMDS activities. Please advise CMDS staff at registration if you do not want your image to be used for this purpose.

Conference schedule

The complete tentative schedule can be found on our website: www.canadiancatholicphysicians.com

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By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. Jn 13:35

Plenary

Vocation and the Call to Love

by Gordon Smith, PhD

(1) To understand and appreciate the Christian tradition with respect to vocation – as witnessed to by the voices of both the Catholic and Protestant Reformations. (2) To recognize the ways in which the daily work of a physician can and indeed should be viewed through the lens of “vocation.” (3) To see and value the link between vocation and the call to love.

Giving Content to the Invitation to Love

by Gordon Smith, PhD

(1) To appreciate that the call to love has the capacity to inform the work of a physician. (2) To recognize the ways in which the invitation to love has lost its semantic moorings -- “what does it possibly mean?” (3) To own the call to love -- to be able to speak clearly and confidently of the nature of love: its content; its character.

Freedom of Conscience

by Janet Epp Buckingham, LL.D.

Freedom of Conscience is protected in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms as a “fundamental freedom.” Physicians therefore have freedom of conscience. However, physicians are also professionals, subject to professional obligations. Why is freedom of conscience an important freedom? How does it balance with professional obligations?

Ethical Diversity and the Role of Conscience in Clinical Medicine: The Advent of Ethical Imperialism in Healthcare

by Stephen Genuis, MD

(1) Understanding the challenge of providing medical care within the contemporary mosaic of ethical diversity. (2) Becoming apprised of potential clinical approaches when faced with ethical collision in clinical care. (3) Consideration of healthcare transitions and potential societal outcomes with expanding ethical diversity.

Watch With Me: Caring at the End of Life

by Margaret Cottle, MD & John Scott, MD

Physicians have the responsibility and privilege to care for patients who are dying and their families and also to educate and challenge our communities and the public concerning end-of-life issues. Using examples from the history of health care, Margaret Cottle and John Scott will outline the shape of these responsibilities.

Celebration Banquet

Healing the Mystical Body of Christ: Theology of the Body for Physicians

by Archbishop Zygmunt Zimowski

Drawing from St. John Paul II's teaching on the Theology of the Body, Archbishop Zimowski will discuss the physician's role in ministering to the Body of Christ.

Workshops

A Brief History of Love in the Development of Medicine

by John Patrick, MD

(1) To express love objectively as an aspect of discipleship. (2) Obedience as the key concept. (3) How to contrast “attitudes” with “character.”

How to be an Odd Doc Without Getting your Goose Cooked

by Dan Reilly, MD

(1) Understand and apply provincial medical colleague's guidelines for refusing care due to moral objections. (2) Understand the ethical challenges of providing care to patients whose morality differs from your own. (3) Improved communication skills during difficult patient encounters.

The Great Divide: Communicating Faith Perspectives with Colleagues

by Christin Hilbert, MD and Dan Hardock

After an exploration as to the difficulties and whether this kind of discussion has merit in a medical setting, this seminar will discuss strategies towards facilitating a meaningful dialogue between Christian medical professionals and their colleagues on issues of faith.

The Babylon School of Medicine -- it's not your alma mater!

by Sheila Harding, MD

This workshop will: (1) Articulate the core characteristics of the Hippocratic Oath that have been foundational to its influence and longevity; (2) Describe the current post-Hippocratic learning environment; (3) Consider why medical education has parted company with our Hippocratic traditions; and (4) Strategize as to how established practitioners can and should support the next generation of Christian physicians and revitalize Hippocratic medicine.

Shedding Light, Not Generating Heat

by Peter Nation, MA

An Introduction to Catholic Voices, its aims and its unique approach. The goals are to: (1) To understand the importance of media in influencing public opinion on health-related topics. (2) To acquire communication skills to help in interacting with the media regarding health-related topics.

The Anatomy of Assisted Suicide - the Catholic Voices Procedure of Dissection and Reconstructive Surgery

by Peter Nation, MA

(1) To gain a better understanding of physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia. (2) To gain skills to better communicate the various aspects involved in physician-assisted suicide with patients and the public at large.

Issues of Conscience

by Janet Epp Buckingham, LL.D.

This workshop will examine the current state of the law with respect to freedom of conscience in relation to healthcare. It will examine not only specific cases, but also the development of codes of ethics. These include birth control, abortion and end of life care issues.

The Sexual Revolution and Hormonal Contraception:

Reality Strikes Back

by Stephen Genuis, MD

Many current trends in social behavior and global demographics are rooted to some degree in the sexual liberation movement of the 1960s and 1970s - a movement that was ignited by the release of the birth control pill. This workshop will trace some of the major developments leading to the sexual revolution, will assess its profound impact on the modern world, and will explore the impact on some of the current challenges in the sexuality arena.

Spiritual Care of Fertility Among Couples using Natural Family Planning

by Richard Fehring, PhD

This presentation will analyze spiritual themes across the continuum of fertility among couples who use natural family planning (NFP) to achieve or avoid pregnancy. Spiritual responses and interventions will be analyzed from couples who were taught NFP by means of an innovative online Web-based fertility support system.

Bios

Dr. Janet Epp Buckingham is an associate professor at Trinity Western University and the Director of the Laurentian Leadership Centre, an Ottawa-based, live-in, extension program focusing on public policy. Her research area is religious freedom in Canada and internationally. She teaches in the area of Canadian governmental leadership and the interface between law and public policy.

Dr. Margaret Cottle is a Palliative Care physician in Vancouver, BC, working in the Home Hospice Program, and teaching at the University of BC medical school. She speaks internationally about end of life issues and palliative care, and addressed members of the Canadian Parliament in 2006. Dr. Cottle serves on the boards for the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition and the Christian Advocacy Society of Greater Vancouver.

Professor Richard J. Fehring, PhD, RN, FAAN, FNI – is a Professor Emeritus and Director of the Marquette University College of Nursing Institute for Natural Family Planning. He received his master's degree and doctorate in nursing from Catholic University of America and baccalaureate degrees in biology and nursing from Marquette University. He has published over 140 articles and book chapters and co-edited three books.

Dr. Stephen Genuis is a clinician and researcher involved in many areas of medical science. He is board certified in both Obstetrics and Gynecology as well as in Environmental Medicine and has authored over 100 scientific publications for over 50 different peer-review medical journals. He has served as the women's health care physician for an inner city clinic, worked as an Ob-Gyn at a University teaching hospital, and served as co-director of medical services in a West African hospital.

Dr. Sheila Harding has served as Associate Dean, Medical Education, at the University of Saskatchewan since 2003, prior to this serving as the Director of Medical Education. She also serves as a professor of Haematology in the Departments of Pathology and Medicine. Addicted to books and sailing, Sheila is one of the founding graduate members of the Western Canada CMDS Student Retreat.

Dr. Christin Hilbert has been involved with CMDS since her first year of medical school. As lead of the Calgary chapter of CMDS a number of years ago, she met her husband Dan, who was then the CMDS staff worker. Christin works at CUPS, an inner city clinic, and on the Tsuu T'ina reserve. **Dan Hardock** has a MCS from Regent College and has taught history and theology at Rocky Mountain College in Calgary over a period of sixteen years.

Peter Nation is currently one of the Vancouver coordinators of Catholic Voices Canada, an organization which trains young lay Catholics to present the Church's position on hot button issues in the media. Peter has an Honours BA in Philosophy and a Master's degree in Religious Education. Peter taught for 25 years at St. Thomas Aquinas High School in North Vancouver.

Dr. John Patrick lectures throughout the world helping audiences, regardless of their beliefs, to understand the pivotal role played in all societies by faith and religion. He works with the Christian Medical and Dental Society in Canada and the Christian Medical and Dental Association in the United States.

Dr. Dan Reilly practices in small town Ontario and is an Associate Clinical Professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at McMaster University. He holds a Masters in Health Science from the Joint Centre for Bioethics at the University of Toronto and is active in teaching topics in both Ob/Gyn and Ethics to medical students and residents. He is the past president of CMDS.

Dr. John Scott assisted Dr. Balfour Mount in 1975 in developing Canada's first palliative care program at McGill University, Montreal. Trained in medicine, theology and clinical epidemiology, Dr. Scott was recruited to Ottawa in 1988 to establish Canada's first university Division of Palliative Medicine. Presently, he is a staff physician in Palliative Care at The Ottawa Hospital and Associate Professor, Division of Palliative Medicine, University of Ottawa.

Professor Gordon Smith is the president of Ambrose University (Calgary), with a teaching appointment as professor of systematic and spiritual theology. Most of his career he has been in academic administration, previously serving as Vice President/Dean of Regent College (Vancouver). He is the author of a number of books, including *Called to Be Saints: An Invitation to Christian Maturity* (2013).

Archbishop Zimowski is the president of the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Health Care Workers. He was appointed a bishop by Pope Benedict in 2002 to the diocese of Radom in Poland until his appointment in 2009 to his current position. In addition to Polish, he also speaks English, French, German, Russian and Italian.