

OUR ENDURING COMMITMENT TO END OF LIFE CARE

MONDAY, 11 FEBRUARY 2018

Australian Catholic University, Fitzroy, Melbourne
Daniel Mannix Building, Room 702

For over 180 years, our services in Australia have served people with a life-limiting illness through a commitment to excellence in end of life care. This reflects our healthcare tradition of nearly 2,000 years which seeks out those who are vulnerable in any way and responds to them through compassion and accompaniment with the best skills and knowledge available. In this, our ethic of care aligns with the long tradition of Hippocratic medicine. In this seminar, we will explore this commitment to excellence in end of life care, its manifestations nationally and internationally, what it looks like in Victoria in the advent of the 'Voluntary Assisted Dying Act', and how we can continue to commit courageously to excellence in end of life care.

COST \$120 FULL DAY, \$65 HALF DAY. Refreshments included.

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Who should attend?

Health, aged care and social services organisation executives, clinicians, managers, mission leaders, ethicists and pastoral practitioners; clergy, parish pastoral associates, academics, nursing and other health and care professionals.



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Arrive 9.30am
10.00am – 12.30am

MORNING SESSION (MORNING TEA ON ARRIVAL)

Our Ethic of Care Endures: Setting the scene

1. **Learnings from the international perspective** – *Dr Carol Taylor*
2. **The Australian context** – *Dr Dan Fleming*, Group Manager Ethics & Formation, St Vincent's Health Australia

Accompanied by a panel of experts featuring:

- *A/Prof Bernadette Tobin*, Director – Plunket Centre for Health Ethics
- *Dr Nigel Zimmermann*, Associate Director of Church Policy, Australian Catholic University
- *Donna Filippich*, Legal Counsel, St Vincent's Health Australia

LUNCH BREAK

1.30am – 4.00pm

AFTERNOON SESSION

How our Model of Care Endures Today

1. **Palliative Care report** – *Dr Ellen Marks*, General Manager of Advocacy & Inclusion at One Door Mental Health
2. **Communicating our continued commitment to care** – *Mark Green*, National Director of Mission, Calvary

Accompanied by a panel of Experts featuring:

- *Stephen Lyons* End of Life Communications Manager, Calvary
- *Kathy Bowlen* General Manager, Media & Communications, St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne

3. **Final observations, next steps** – *A/Prof Natasha Michael* Director of Palliative Medicine, Cabrini Health

PRESENTERS

DR CAROL TAYLOR RN PhD



Keynote presenter

Dr Taylor is an internationally recognised clinician and health care ethicist. She is a founding member and previous director of the Pellegrino Centre for Clinical Bioethics at Georgetown University, and a professor in the Department of Medicine and in the School of Nursing & Health Studies at Georgetown, in addition to her role as Senior Clinical Scholar, Kennedy Institute for Ethics. She serves on the theology and ethics committee of the Catholic Health Association USA and the board of the Bon Secours Health Care system.

Experienced in caring for chronically and critically ill patients and their families, Dr Taylor now works closely with health care professionals who are exploring the ethical dimensions of their practice. She lectures and writes on various issues in healthcare ethics and serves as an ethics consultant to systems and professional organizations. Her research interests include professional and organizational ethics and health care decision making.

DR DAN FLEMING

Group Manager Ethics & Formation, St Vincent's Health Australia | CHA VAD Response Taskforce Chair



Dr Dan Fleming is Chair of the CHA Voluntary Assisted Dying Act Response Taskforce and Group Manager – Ethics and Formation for St Vincent's Health Australia, a role which sees him leading ethics education, advice and strategy as well as supporting formation across the St Vincent's Health Australia network. Dan is also a Fellow in the Law, Health and Justice Research Centre in the Faculty of Law at the University of Technology Sydney. Dan holds a PhD in moral philosophy and theology, and is the author of over 35 publications in the areas of moral philosophy, theological ethics, moral education and theology. His forthcoming book *Attentiveness to Vulnerability* is due to be released in 2018.

DR ELLEN MARKS

General Manager of Advocacy and Inclusion, One Door Mental Health



Dr Ellen Marks, Ph. D. is a health policy consultant and the General Manager of Advocacy and Inclusion at One Door Mental Health.

Having trained as a medical scientist, with postdoctoral experience at King's College London and the University of Newcastle, Dr Marks has turned her skills towards a career in public health in Australia. Formerly, a Senior Health Policy Advisor for Catholic Health Australia, she has advocated for change to health policy ranging from the Medical Benefits Schedule (MBS), pharmacy and research to pathology.

Her current work includes work exploring barriers and enablers in accessing care including to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and mental health services in Australia. She has worked with governments and other NGOs to develop strategies for equitable access to care.

A/PROF NATASHA MICHAEL MBChB FRACP FACHPM MRCPI MRCGP MSc

Director of Palliative Medicine, Cabrini Health | Head of Palliative Medicine, University of Notre Dame, Sydney School of Medicine



Dr Natasha Michael has worked and trained internationally in palliative care, having completed her training in the United Kingdom, Ireland and Singapore, including periods at Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross Dublin, Kings College, London the National Cancer Centre, Singapore.

She has led the development of a large integrated palliative care service at Cabrini health over the last 5 years and established the service as a centre for training and research in palliative care. She is frequently an invited speaker on end of life issues including assisted suicide and euthanasia.

Dr Michael is a clinician researcher and her research interests include the areas of care planning and outcome assessment in advanced illness, meaning based interventions, bioethics and use of the humanities in medical teaching and practice.

REGISTRATION FORM

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RSVP 4 February 2018

REGISTRATION DETAILS

TITLE _____ FIRST NAME _____ LAST NAME _____

FACILITY/ORGANISATION _____

POSITION IN ORGANISATION _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____

STATE _____ POST CODE _____

PHONE _____ MOBILE PHONE _____

EMAIL _____

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (Dietary or otherwise) _____

Please note that a special dietary requirement is when a person omits certain foods or food groups from their diet on religious, ethical or medical grounds. Provision will be made for food intolerances, however requests for non-specific requirements, such as low GI or low fat, cannot be guaranteed.

PAYMENT DETAILS

Payment by Direct Debit

Acct Name: Catholic Health Australia | Bank: National Australia Bank

Account Number: 50774 9125 | BSB: 082 968

DESCRIPTION (Surname and/or invoice number) _____

Payment by Credit Card

CARDHOLDER'S NAME (please print) _____

Mastercard

Visa

Credit Card Number

Credit Card Expiry Date / Signature

TOTAL AMOUNT TO AUTHORISE \$ _____

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