

**2019 Conference on Catholic Bio-Ethics and Medicine:
Catholic Medical Practice and Social Responsibility in Taiwan**

Conference Outline:

Date: 8:30-17:30, June 22, 2019

Place: Paul Cardinal Shan Medical Building, 2nd Floor International Conference Room, Fu Jen Catholic University, Taipei

Organizers: Catholic Health Care Alliance of Taiwan
Fu Jen Academia Catholica
College of Medicine, Fu Jen Catholic University
Fu Jen Catholic University Hospital

The purpose of the conference:

Medical ethics as a branch of bioethics deals with issues in which there is a possible conflict between modern medical technique and the basic principles of health care. It addresses such things as assisted suicide, human cloning, euthanasia, termination of life support, artificial reproduction and autonomy of patients. These themes are also closely related to Catholic Church's stand on the sanctity of human life and the dignity of the human person. The purpose of the conference is to express and promote Catholic values of human life and dignity and discuss the means to put these into practice in modern healthcare. The conference consists of a keynote address, an introduction to the medical situation of Catholic hospitals, round-table discussion on the Taiwan Patient Autonomy Act, sharing of practical experiences by each institution and a general discussion.

Time	Agenda	
08:30~09:00	Registration	
09:00~09:40	Opening Ceremony	
09:40~09:50	Group Photo	
09:50~10:50	The Role of Catholic Medical Ethics in Today's World	
	Moderator: Kuo-Cheng Lu MD Vice Superintendent for Research, Fu Jen Catholic University Hospital	Keynote Address: Dr. Fr. Christopher Mahar Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development
10:50~11:10	Tea Break	
11:10~12:00	Ethical and Legal Challenges for Catholic Healthcare in Taiwan	
	Moderator: Fr. Jac Kuepers Vice Superintendent for Mission, Fu Jen Hospital	Special Address: Dr. John Selvamani Director Center for Science and Religion, Fu Jen Catholic University
12:00~13:30	Lunch Time	
13:30~15:00	The Patient Autonomy Act in Taiwan: Ethics and Medical Practice	
	Moderator: Ping-Keung Yip MD Dean of the Medical College, Fu Jen University	Round-table Discussion: Discussants Dr. Yu-Hsin Yang Dr. Wen-Ling Fu Dr. Hsiu-Yi Yang Ai-Hua Chang MD Chih-Chia Wang MD
15:00~15:20	Tea Break	
15:20-16:40	Sharing: Medical Practice and Social Responsibility of Catholic Hospitals in Taiwan: Past, Present and Future	
	Moderator: Chi-Chun Tsou MD Director of Catholic Health Care Alliance of Taiwan	Sharers: Saint Mary's Hospital, Luodong Cardinal Tien Hospital, Xindian Catholic Mercy Hospital, Hsinchu St. Joseph's Hospital, Kaohsiung St. Mary's Hospital, Taitung
16:40~17:20	General Discussion	
	Moderator: Fr. Otfried Chan Secretary-general of Chinese Regional Bishops' Conference	All Contributors
17:20~17:30	Closing Ceremony	

