

**ETHICAL ISSUES IN HEALTHCARE:  
BRIDGING THE CULTURAL DIVIDE**

**October 5, 2011**

**Cosponsored by the Geisinger Ethics Committee  
and the Ethics Institute of NEPA**

7:30am - 8:00am **Registration - Continental Breakfast**

8:00am - 8:15am **Welcome & Introductions**

Robert N. Yanoshak, DO  
Hospitalist & Palliative Doctor  
Geisinger Wyoming Valley Hospital

Gary C. Mrozinski, EdD  
Chair, Board of Directors  
Ethics Institute of Northeastern Pennsylvania

8:15am - 9:05am **Cultural Competency in Healthcare**

Brenda Hage, PhD, CRNP  
Assistant Professor of Nursing & Director of Graduate Nursing Programs  
Misericordia University

9:05am - 9:55am **Implications of Social Justice and Diversity in Healthcare**

Ida L. Castro, MA, JD  
Vice President of Social Justice & Diversity  
The Commonwealth Medical College

9:55am - 10:10am **Break**

10:10am - 11:00am **Medical Home as a Model of Healthcare**

Renee Turchi, MD, MPH  
Assistant Professor of Pediatrics  
Drexel University

11:00am - 11:50am **International Inequities in Healthcare**

Raymond A. Smego, Jr., MD, MPH, FACP, FRCP, DTM&H  
Associate Dean for Educational Development & Professor of Medicine  
The Commonwealth Medical College

11:50am - 12:30pm **Q&A With Morning Presenters**

12:30pm - 1:30pm **Lunch**

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- 1:30pm - 2:30pm **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**  
**Universal Healthcare: Perspectives from Two Stances**  
Thomas A. Shannon, PhD  
Professor Emeritus of Religion and Social Ethics  
Worcester Polytechnic Institute
- 2:30pm - 3:20pm **Case Law With Respect to Culture**  
Carla S. Jones, JD  
General Counsel, Geisinger Health System
- 3:20pm - 3:30pm **Break**
- 3:30pm - 4:30pm **Panel Discussion of Cultural Aspects of Healthcare Delivery**  
Miriam Bernson, LCSW  
Local Recovery Coordinator  
Wilkes-Barre VA Medical Center  
  
Hans Cassagnol, MD  
Director of Ob/Gyn  
Geisinger Wyoming Valley Hospital  
  
Lisa Eggleston, MD  
Pediatrician  
Geisinger Wyoming Valley Hospital  
  
Manish Gupta, MD  
Transplant Surgeon  
Geisinger Wyoming Valley Hospital  
  
Monsignor Joseph Kelly, MSW  
Executive Director of Catholic Social Services  
Diocese of Scranton  
  
Agapito Lopez, MD  
Ophthalmologist (retired)
- 4:30pm - 4:45pm **Evaluation & Conclude**