



**26th International Nursing Ethics Conference –
Pandemic and Disaster Preparedness and Response: Ethical and Cultural Perspectives**

University of Regina, Regina, SK, Canada on August 27-28, 2026

Day 1 – Thursday, August 27, 2026

Time	Activity	Venue
08:15	Registration & Breakfast (Gillian Borys, Denice Escott, Carolyn Pihach & Nicole Brodner)	RI Foyer
09:00	Welcome and Introduction to the Conference • Dean, Faculty of Nursing, University of Regina – Robin Evans • Chancellor, University of Regina – Cadmus Delorme • Editor-in-Chief, Nursing Ethics – Ann Gallagher • Conference Chair, University of Regina – Ebin Arries-Kleyenstuber (Introduction to conference/ Housekeeping)	Research and Innovation Centre (RI) 119 Lecture Theatre
09:30	Opening 2 Keynote Addresses: Introducing the Conference Theme Chair: Elizabeth Peter, NEJ Editorial Board 1. Ross Upshur – <i>Why ethics matters for pandemic and disaster response</i> 2. Ann Gallagher – <i>Disaster Preparedness and Responses from Nursing Ethics</i>	RI 119 Lecture Theatre
11:00	Tea & Coffee	RI Foyer
11:30	Parallel Sessions (1a) Themes 1a1: Foundations of Nursing Ethics, Professional Conduct and Pandemics: Law, Ethics, Moral Theory & Professional Standards (Chair: Ann Gallagher, NEJ Editorial Board)	RI 119 Lecture Theater
	1a2: Nursing Ethics Futures and Leadership Challenges: Pandemic Ethics and Emergency Preparedness (Chair: Georgina Morley, NEJ Editorial Board)	RI 208
	1a3: Nursing Education and Ethics Education: Practice Preparedness, Competency and Learning (Chair: Melissa Hrebrenik, UR Nursing)	RI 209
13:00	Lunch	RI Foyer

Time	Activity	Venue
14:30	Parallel Sessions (1b) Themes 1b1: Ethics, Human Rights, and Pandemic Practices: Professional Obligations, Patients' Rights, Patient and Nurse Safety (Chair: Jane Leng, NEJ Editorial Board)	RI 119 Lecture Theatre
	1b2: Ethical Understandings and Assessment of Vulnerability/Risk: Ethical Issues, Dilemmas and Cross-Cultural Considerations (Chair: Sherry Arvidson, UR Nursing)	RI 208
15:30	Tea & Coffee	RI Foyer
16:00	Plenary Panel: International, Ethical and Cross-cultural Perspectives on Pandemic and Disaster Preparedness Chair: Georgina Morley, NEJ Editorial Board 1. Cheryl Pollard – <i>Beyond Stockpiles and Surge Capacity: Reframing Pandemic and Disaster Preparedness</i> 2. Pamela Grace – <i>Nursing Ethics: An Autonomous Field of Inquiry with Global Implications</i>	RI 119 Lecture Theatre
17:30	Human Rights and Nursing Awards Chair: Jane Leng, UK, NEJ Editorial Board Telia Lafontaine & Lanea Lafontaine, UR Nursing, SCBScN	RI 119 Lecture Theatre

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Day 2 – Friday, August 28, 2026

Time	Activity	Venue
09:00	Plenary Panel: <i>Ethical, Cross-cultural, Inter-disciplinary, and Inter-Professional Responses to Pandemic and Disaster Nursing</i> Chair: Abigail Wickson-Griffiths, UR Nursing/ Elizabeth Peter, NEJ Editorial Board - Georgina Morley – <i>Helping Nurses Thrive Through Nursing Ethics Programming</i> - Carla Aparecida Arena Ventura – <i>Ethical Perspectives in Mental Health: A Qualitative Evaluation of the WHO Quality Rights Training for Brazilian Primary Health Care Professionals</i>	RI 119 Lecture Theatre
10:30	Tea & Coffee	RI Foyer
11:00	Parallel Sessions (2a) Themes 2a1: Ethical Leadership, Communication and Preparedness Responses: (Chair: Georgina Morley, NEJ Editorial Board) 2a2: Nursing Practice, Healthcare Structures and Policy: Strategic Priorities, Incident Management Approaches and Responses (Chair: Melissa Hrebrenik, UR Nursing) 2a3: Ethical and End-of-Life Care Decision-making and Vulnerable Populations (Chair: Abigail Wickson-Griffiths, UR Nursing)	RI 119 Lecture Theatre RI 208 RI 209
12:30	Lunch	RI Foyer
14:00	Parallel Sessions (1b) Themes 2b1: Ethics, Nursing Practice and Healthcare Technology: Innovations, Interventions and Sustainability in Care (Chair: Melissa Hrebrenik, UR Nursing) 2b2: Research Methodological Advances and Innovations in Nursing (Chair: Carla Ventura, NEJ Editorial Board)	RI 119 Lecture Theatre RI 208
15:30	Tea & Coffee	

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16:00	Closing Keynote Addresses & Commentary Chair: Ann Gallagher, NEJ Editorial Board 1. Elizabeth Peter – <i>Six Lessons 'Learned' from the COVID 19 Pandemic</i> 2. Trina Raccine – <i>Ethical Considerations During Vaccine Development: A Developer's Perspective</i>	RI 119 Lecture Theatre
17:30	Conference Close Ann Gallagher, UK (Editor-in-Chief, Nursing Ethics) and Michael Charles Dunn, Singapore Next conference handover	RI 119 Lecture Theatre

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