



**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
08:00	Registration	
09:00	<p>Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Conference Chair/University of Regina – Ebin Arries-Kleyenstuber ▪ University of Regina representative – Cadmus Delorme, Chancellor ▪ Faculty of Nursing representative – Robin Evans ▪ Introduction to conference, Editor-in-Chief, Nursing Ethics/ Conference Co-Chair – Ann Gallagher <p>Housekeeping- Ebin Arries-Kleyenstuber</p>	Research and Innovation Centre (RIC) 119 Lecture Theatre
09:30	<p>Opening 2 Keynote Addresses: Introducing the Conference Theme</p> <p>Chair: Elizabeth Peter, NEJ Editorial Board</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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> 	RIC 119 Lecture Theatre
11:00	Tea & Coffee	RIC Foyer
11:30	<p>Parallel Sessions (1a) Themes</p> <p>1a1: Foundations of Nursing Ethics, Professional Conduct and Pandemics: Law, Ethics, Moral Theory & Professional Standards (Chair: Ann Gallagher, NEJ Editorial Board)</p>	RIC 119 Lecture Theater
	<p>1a2: Nursing Ethics Futures and Leadership Challenges: Pandemic Ethics and Emergency Preparedness (Chair: Georgina Morley, NEJ Editorial Board)</p>	RIC 208

	1a3: Nursing Education and Ethics Education: Practice Preparedness, Competency and Learning (Chair: Melissa Hrebrenik, UR Nursing)	RIC 209
13:00	Lunch	RIC Foyer
14:00	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)	RIC 119 Lecture Theatre
	1b2: Ethical Understandings and Assessment of Vulnerability/Risk: Ethical Issues and Ethical Dilemmas (Chair: Abigail Wickson-Griffiths, UR Nursing)	RIC 208
	1b3: Ethics, Culture and Context: Cross-Cultural Ethical Considerations in Practice and Care (Chair: Carla Ventura, NEJ Editorial Board)	RIC 209
15:30	Tea & Coffee	RIC 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>	RIC 119 Lecture Theatre
17:30	Human Rights and Nursing Awards Chair: Jane Leng, UK, NEJ Editorial Board	RIC 119 Lecture Theatre
19:00	Conference Dinner	RIC Foyer



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Day 2 – Friday, August 28, 2026

Time	Activity	Venue
09:00	<p>Plenary Panel: <i>Ethical, Cross-cultural, Inter-disciplinary, and Inter-Professional Responses to Pandemic and Disaster Nursing</i></p> <p>Chair: Abigail Wickson-Griffiths, UR Nursing/ Elizabeth Peter, NEJ Editorial Board</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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> 	RIC 119 Lecture Theatre
10:30	Tea & Coffee	RIC Foyer?
11:00	Parallel Sessions (2a) Themes	RIC 119 Lecture Theatre
	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/ Ebin Arries-Kleyenstuber, UR Nursing)	RIC 208
	2a3: Ethical and End-of-Life Care Decision-making and Vulnerable Populations (Chair: Abigail Wickson-Griffiths, UR Nursing)	RIC 209
13:00	Lunch	RIC Foyer?
14:00	<p>Parallel Sessions (1b) Themes</p> <p>2b1: Ethics, Nursing Practice and Healthcare Technology: Innovations, Interventions and Sustainability in Care (Chair: Melissa Hrebrenik, UR Nursing)</p>	RIC 119 Lecture Theatre

	2b2: Global and Mental Health Responses and Pandemics: Equity, Resilience and Reconstruction (Chair: Carla Aparecida Arena Ventura, NEJ Editorial Board)	RIC 208
	2b3: Research Methodological Advances and Innovations in Nursing (Chair: Ebin Arries-Kleyenstuber, UR Nursing)	RIC 209
15:30	Tea & Coffee	
16:00	<p>Closing Keynote Addresses & Commentary</p> <p>Chair: Ann Gallagher, NEJ Editorial Board</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Elizabeth Peter - TBD 2. Trina Raccine - TBD 	RIC 119 Lecture Theatre
17:30	<p>Conference Close</p> <p>Ann Gallagher, UK (Editor-in-Chief, Nursing Ethics) and Michael Charles Dunn, Singapore</p> <p>Next conference handover</p>	RIC 119 Lecture Theatre