

QUALITY HEALTHCARE IN A RELIGIOUSLY DIVERSE WORLD JANUARY 13 AT NIAGARA UNIVERSITY

The morning session will begin with a presentation by Dr David Holmes, Department of Family Medicine, University at Buffalo, entitled "Spirituality and Medicine" followed by a presentation by Rev Amos Acree, Director of Parish Nursing, The United Church Home, entitled "Spirituality and Patient Care: as seen by a Nurse".

The presentations by Dr Holmes and Rev Acree will be followed by small group presentations by leaders from a variety of religious traditions including, Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism, and Sikhism. The sessions will provide a introduction to the religious tradition while specifically addressing the medical and healthcare concerns to be considered when providing care to persons of the particular religious tradition. Conference attendees will be able to be able participate in three different small group presentations.

The afternoon program will include a presentation by M. Thomas Flynn. The Center for Inquiry, who will address the care of patients who are non-believers: humanists, atheists and others. Mr. Flynn's presentation will be followed by an interactive panel who will address religious traditions and health care concerns.

The conference is targeted for nurses and other healthcare professionals, however, there may be a limited number of opening for other interested persons from the community at large.

Persons interested in attending the conference should immediately contact the Continuing Education Office at Niagara University 716-882-4793. The registration fee is \$45.00 and includes lunch and course materials.

For additional information contact Dr. Stan Bratton, Network of Religious Communities 716-882-4792 ext 201 or email ecustan@earthlink.net