

*Asia-Pacific Regional Meeting for National Ethics/Bioethics Committees 2 (APNEC-2)*

*Reducing Inequities through Solutions-Oriented Bioethics*

**22-23 October 2019**

**Wellington, New Zealand**

**Programme**

**DAY 0 – Monday 21 October 2019**

<b>Venue</b>	Ministry of Health, 133 Molesworth Street, Thorndon
16:30 – 1730	<b>Meeting of the Steering Committee and Secretariat</b> – invitation only
17:30	- <i>Shuttle from QT Hotel to Ministry of Health</i>
18:00 – 20:00	<b>Welcome from the Director General, Dr Ashley Bloomfield, Ministry of Health</b> (Drinks and canopies) – all participants
20:00	- <i>Shuttle from Ministry of Health to QT Hotel</i>

**DAY 1 – Tuesday 22 October 2019**

<b>Venue</b>	Icon Room, Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, 55 Cable Street, Te Aro	
09:00 – 10:15	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>	Moderator: Ki-Hyun Hahm Rapporteur: Clyde Smith
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mihi (greeting) and karakia (10m)</li><li>• Welcome remarks (10m) by Hon Jenny Salesa, Associate Minister of Health, New Zealand</li><li>• Welcome remarks (5m) by Dr Neil Pickering, Chair, National Ethics Advisory Committee, New Zealand</li><li>• Opening remarks (5m) by Mr Irakli Khodeli, Programme Specialist, Social and Human Sciences Sector, United Nations Education, Science and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Jakarta Office, Indonesia</li><li>• Opening remarks (5m) by Dr Tasnim Azim, Regional Advisor for Health Research Policy, World Health Organization Regional Office for South East Asia Region (WHO SEARO), India</li><li>• Opening Remarks + Introductory Presentation: “The Role of Ethics in Reducing Health Inequities and Advancing Universal Health Coverage” (15 min) by Mr Darryl Barrett, Coordinator for Health Law &amp; Ethics, World Health Organization Regional Office for the Western Pacific (WHO WPRO), Philippines</li><li>• Self-introductions of participants (15m)</li><li>• Meeting overview and administrative announcements by Mr Nic Aagaard, Principal Advisor, Ethics, Ministry of Health, New Zealand (5m)</li><li>• Group photo (5m)</li></ul>	
10:15 – 10:45	<b><i>Karakia mō te kai (Blessing the food)</i></b> <b><i>Tea Break</i></b>	

10:45 – 12:00	<b>Session 1: Climate Change, Ethics, Equity and Health</b>	Moderator: Aarati Shah Rapporteurs: Courtney Parnell, Margaret Earle
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*Climate change will affect health, both the requirements for health such as the provision of clean water and air as well as the distribution of health impacts. Particular populations may be disproportionately affected by climate change including outdoor workers, and those in coastal or low-lying riverine zones. A number of countries in the region are among those with the highest level of long-term climate change risk.*

**Objectives:**

- Provide an overview of the current status of climate change and health ethics in the region
  - Discuss key health ethics issues and challenges facing the region in the context of climate change
  - Identify health ethics solutions and strategies to reduce avoidable gaps in health status and health impact between groups arising from climate change
- Technical presentation (20m): “Climate Change and Health Ethics” by Dr Rhys Jones, Senior Lecturer in Māori Health, University of Auckland; Co-convenor of Orataiao (New Zealand Climate and Health Council)
  - Report (5m): “Results of Country Survey on Climate Change and Health Ethics in the Asia-Pacific Region” by Ms Dena Kirpalani, Consultant, Health Law & Ethics Unit, WHO WPRO

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- Plenary discussion (20m)

12:00 – 13:00	<b>Group Work</b>	Moderator: Rhys Jones Rapporteurs: Courtney Parnell, Margaret Earle
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Parallel breakout sessions (30m)

<u>Stream</u>	<u>Facilitator</u>	<u>Rapporteurs</u>	<u>Venue</u>
• Clinical Ethics	Mahmood-uz-Jahan	Mark Joyce, Changgyo Yoon	TBD based on #s
• Public Health Ethics	Dana Wensley	Margaret Earle, Irakli Khodeli	TBD based on #s
• Research Ethics	Aarati Shah	Hayley Robertson, Tasnim Azim	TBD based on #s

- Report back + Plenary discussion (30m)

13:00 – 14:30	<b>Karakia mō te kai (Blessing the food) Lunch + Networking</b>	
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14:30 – 15:45	<b>Session 2: Emerging Technologies, Ethics, Equity and Health</b>	Moderator: Bang-Ook Jun Rapporteur: Hayley Robertson
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*States' abilities to manage bioethical challenges and to identify the ethical, legal and social implications of emerging technologies and their application will affect health and impact the distribution of their health impacts. Countries in the region are investigating how emerging technologies can be utilized to address needs whilst tackling the risks associated with emerging technologies such as privacy, consent and inequity of access.*

**Objectives:**

- Provide an overview of the current status of emerging technologies and health ethics in the region
  - Discuss key health ethics issues and challenges facing the region in the context of emerging technologies
  - Identify health ethics solutions and strategies to reduce avoidable gaps in health status and health impact between groups arising from emerging technologies
- Technical presentation (20m): “Integrating equity in the development of ethical guidelines for biomedical and health research in emerging technologies” by Dr Roli Mathur, Head, Indian Council for Medical Research (ICMR), Bioethics Unit, National Centre for Disease Informatics & Research, India
  - Report (5m): “Results of Country Survey on Emerging Technologies and Ethics in the Asia-Pacific Region” by Ms Dena Kirpalani, Consultant, Health Law & Ethics Unit, WHO WPRO

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15:45 – 16:45	<b>Group Work + Working Tea Break</b>	Moderator: Roli Mathur Rapporteur: Hayley Robertson
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**Parallel breakout sessions (30m)**

<u>Stream</u>	<u>Facilitator</u>	<u>Rapporteurs</u>	<u>Venue</u>
• Clinical Ethics	Lynley Anderson	Martin Kennedy, Changgyo Yoon	TBD based on #s
• Public Health Ethics	Bang-Ook Jun	Kirsten Forrest, Irakli Khodeli	TBD based on #s
• Research Ethics	Mahmoo-uz-Jahan	Mark Joyce, Tasnim Azim	TBD based on #s

- Report back + Plenary discussion (30m)

16:45 – 18:00	<b>Free Time</b>
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18:00 – 20:00	<i>Karakia mō te kai (Blessing the food)</i> <b>Welcome Dinner</b>
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**DAY 2 – Wednesday 23 October 2019**

<b>Venue</b>	Icon Room, Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa, 55 Cable St, Te Aro	
09:00 – 09:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recap of Day 1 and Outlook for Day 2 by Nic Aagaard, Ministry of Health, New Zealand (5m)</li> <li>Reflections from the Chair (5m)</li> <li>Comments by Participants (5m)</li> </ul>	
09:15 – 10:30	<b>Session 3: Indigenous Populations, Ethics, Equity and Health</b>	Moderator: Mahmood Uz Jahan Rapporteur: Margaret Earle
<p><i>The health of indigenous persons can be impacted by their status as members of indigenous populations. Structural inequity shapes the health of indigenous peoples globally, and oft times deeply embedded in a history of individual and institutional racism, and inequitable social policies and practices, including the participation of indigenous persons in health-related research and public health campaigns. A number of countries and indigenous groups in the region are employing strategies for promoting equity in health care and research for indigenous populations.</i></p> <p><i>Objectives:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Provide an overview of the current status of indigenous populations and health ethics in the region</i></li> <li><i>Discuss key health ethics issues and challenges facing the region in the context of emerging technologies</i></li> <li><i>Identify health ethics solutions and strategies to reduce avoidable gaps in health status and health impact between groups arising from emerging technologies</i></li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Technical presentation (20m): “Indigenous perspectives on health ethics: inequity, indigenous populations and solutions-orientated bioethics” by Dr Maui Hudson, Associate Professor, Faculty of Maori and Indigenous Studies, University of Waikato, New Zealand</li> <li>Report (5m): “Results of Country Survey on Indigenous Populations and Ethics in the Asia-Pacific Region” by Ms Dena Kirpalani, Consultant, Health Law &amp; Ethics Unit, WHO WPRO</li> </ul> <p><u>Country Perspectives Panel</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A</li> <li>B</li> <li>C</li> <li>D</li> <li>E</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plenary discussion (20m)</li> </ul>		
10:30 – 11:30	Group Work + Working Tea Break	Moderator: Maui Hudson Rapporteur: Margaret Earle

Parallel breakout sessions (30m)

<u>Stream</u>	<u>Facilitator</u>	<u>Rapporteurs</u>	<u>Venue</u>
• Clinical Ethics	Neil Pickering	Kirsten Forrest, Changgyo Yoon	TBD based on #s
• Public Health Ethics	Clyde Smith	Hayley Robertson, Irakli Khodeli	TBD based on #s
• Research Ethics	Roli Mathur	Rob McHawk, Tasnim Azim	TBD based on #s

- Report back + Plenary discussion (30m)

11:30 – 13:00	<b>Karakia mō te kai (Blessing the food)</b> <b>Lunch + Networking</b>	
13:00 – 14:00	<b>Session 4: Challenges and opportunities in strengthening national capacities for health ethics</b>	Moderator: Neil Pickering Rapporteur: Rob McHawk

*Strengthening national capacities for health ethics – including the respective capacities of national ethics/bioethics committees and their government counterparts, as well as the communication and coordination between them – is critical to ensure robust assessment of issues and offer empirically informed identification of ethical solutions and policy recommendations.*

*Objectives:*

- *Discuss challenges and opportunities for strengthening national capacities in the region, including support from UNESCO and WHO at the global, regional, and national levels*
- *Share experiences from countries in strengthening national capacities for health ethics*
- Technical presentation (10m): “UNESCO support to countries in strengthening national capacities for health ethics” by Mr Irakli Khodeli, Programme Specialist, Social and Human Sciences Sector, United Nations Education, Science and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Jakarta Office, Indonesia
- Technical presentation (10m): “WHO support to countries in strengthening national capacities for health ethics” by Dr Tasnim Azim, Regional Advisor for Health Research Policy, WHO SEARO, India + Dr Ki-Hyun Hahm, Technical Officer for Health Law & Ethics, WHO WPRO, Philippines

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- Plenary discussion (20m)

14:00 – 15:15	<b>Session 5: Ways Forward + Working Tea Break</b>	Moderator: Tasnim Azim + Darryl Barrett Rapporteur: Margaret Earle
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*Objectives:*

- *In subregional groupings, reflect on the issues discussed over the course of the meeting to identify common priority themes and emerging themes*
- *In country teams, draft country action plans to identify next steps towards strengthening national capacities for health ethics and reducing health inequities on priority issues through health ethics strategies and solutions*

- Session Overview (5m)

Parallel breakout sessions (30m)

<u>Grouping</u>	<u>Facilitator</u>	<u>Rapporteurs</u>	<u>Venue</u>
• A	Neil Pickering	TBC	TBD based on #s
• B	Roli Mathur	TBC	TBD based on #s
• C	Bang-Ook Jun	TBC	TBD based on #s
• D	Mahmood-uz-Jahan	TBC	TBD based on #s
• E	Aarati Shah	TBC	TBD based on #s

- Report back + Plenary discussion (30m)
- Closing remarks from WHO WPRO, WHO SEARO, UNESCO, Ministry of Health, Chair (5m)